

April 27, 2023

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Sunday, April 30th

The purpose of World Day of Prayer for Vocations is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life.

While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), consecrated life in all its forms (male and female religious life, societies of apostolic life, consecrated virginity), secular institutes in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life. ~USCCB website

A Marian Prayer for Vocations

O Virgin Mary, Mother of Jesus and Mother of the Church, to you we commend our young people, in particular those called to follow your Son as brothers, sisters, and priests.
You know, O Mary, the struggles, doubts, and obstacles they must face.
Assist them to answer Yes to the divine call, as you did at the invitation of the angel.
Draw them near to your heart so that they can understand the joy that awaits them when they answer your Son's call to be witnesses of His love in the world.

Amen.

From the Guadalupe Province Vocation Team...

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2023 marks the 60th Anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations

The vocation directors of the Delaware Valley Member Area of the National Religious Vocations Conference offer a video prayer for vocations.

To access the prayer, please click here

The Delaware Valley
Member Area of the
National Religious Vocations
Conference, of which the
MSCs are a part, is hosting a
Zoom gathering on the
World Day of Prayer for
Vocations for anyone to join
us in praying for vocations;
to ask questions about their
vocational path; and/or to
get to know vocation
directors from many
different religious
congregations.

Zoom information is in the adjacent text box.

Spread the word!



Please pray for vocations to religious life.

Volunteers Make the World Go Round

Wednesday, April 19th was a special day at Cabrini of Westchester as we honored our dedicated volunteers with a blessing ceremony and luncheon. Pastoral Care Director, Fr. Ron Galt bestowed a beautiful blessing upon all during the ceremony and afterward, a luncheon was served in Cabrini's board room.

Cabrini's volunteers are people who donate their time, skills and talents to support our programs and services. They lend a hand

wherever



The wonderful volunteers of Cabrini of Westchester were honored at a special blessing ceremony and luncheon.

help is needed, from transporting the residents to and from daily Mass, assisting in pastoral palliative care, working in the Gift Shop, helping with clerical administrative tasks and so much more!

While addressing the group at the blessing ceremony, Bonnie Burke, Vice President of Operations and Administrator stated, "Our volunteers are Cabrini's shining light of hope for so many warm and wonderful reasons. Your professional backgrounds and personal life experiences offer us a wide range of skills. The support you give to our grateful staff across many departments is vital to Cabrini's functioning, efficiency, success and growth as an organization. Every one of you helps to keep Cabrini's mission of healing, teaching and caring alive and well."

~ submitted by Susan Herceg, Cabrini of Westchester

CNA Apprentices Complete Training

April 13th was an exciting day for eleven nursing assistant apprentices as they completed five weeks of training at Cabrini of Westchester in order to become Certified Nursing Assistants. In conjunction with 1199 SEIU and Westchester Community College, each of the participants received five weeks of training under the instruction of Dr. Cynthia Thomas, consultant for the college. Each of the students will take the nursing assistant certification exam in the coming weeks.



Having just completed a five week course of study to become Certified Nursing Assistants, these ladies look very pleased and proud with their accomplishment. Congratulations and best wishes to all.

The program is being funded by a grant through the 1199 Training and Upgrading Fund and applicants were chosen after completing testing and interviews by a collaboration of Cabrini's Nursing Administration, Human Resources, and 1199 delegates. Each of the participants became Cabrini employees once they signed on to the program and they will remain on the payroll after passing the exam. This program will positively impact Cabrini of Westchester's staffing as the nation experiences shortages in nursing staff.

Patricia Krasnausky, President and CEO for Cabrini of Westchester, shares: "We've been impressed with the enthusiasm of the apprentices and we're grateful to have been a part of this collaboration. The need for additional nursing staff is critical throughout the nation so we feel blessed to be part of the solution here in Dobbs Ferry."

Due to the positive response, we are preparing for another training session and anticipate an early summer start.

~ submitted by Susan Herceg, Cabrini of Westchester

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We love caring for people.

Cabrini University's Office of DEIB asks "Who is My Neighbor?



Realizing Jesus' Commandment to love our neighbors as ourselves, on April 13th, the Office of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging (DEIB) at Cabrini University hosted a conversation with diverse religious and spiritual leaders about the universal call to create a just and loving world for everyone.



First Sister-led Dialogue on the Environment

Ahead of Earth Day on April 22nd, Catholic Sisters of the International Union of Superiors General (UISG) gathered partners in Rome to highlight and dialogue on global development issues. The organization, which brings together more than 1,900



Superiors General in 97 countries, representing over 600,000 Sisters worldwide, is hosting its first Sister-led dialogue on the environment to discuss the protection of people affected by climate change and biodiversity loss, with particular attention to the most marginalized.

[Their first] dialogue [brought] together representatives of international organizations, governments, civil society, Vatican institutions academia and the press

from around the world to talk about three key themes: integrating responses to climate change and biodiversity loss; integrating care for people and our planet; integrating vulnerability in leadership. These three themes were outlined in the UISG statement "Sisters for the Environment: integrating voices from the margins", launched last November ahead of the climate summit COP27.

 \sim with thanks to Sr. Bernadette Anello, MSC for sharing this information

To learn more, please click here



We would like to invite the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to be our guests at this event. Please RSVP to Susan Herceg at (914) 693-6800 ext. 502 or sherceg@cabrini-eldercare.org if you plan on attending.



For more information and to purchase tickets: www.cis-nyc.org/celebrate

Prayer Requests

Jim Hughes

Prayers are requested for Jim Hughes who is seriously ill. Please pray for his comfort and serenity and for the strength and support of his family at this stressful time.

Tom Woods

Prayers are requested for Tom Woods, a young man in his forties and a father of three young children, who is in critical condition and has a sudden need for a heart transplant. Please join the Missionary Sisters at the Sacred Heart Convent who are praying for Mr. Woods in a very special way. May he get the heart transplant he needs and may he recover successfully. Please pray for his wife and children at this very difficult time.

In Loving Memory

Carl Janicki, Sr.

Kindly pray for the repose of the soul of Carl Janicki, Sr. Mr. Janicki is the father of Rev. Carl Janicki, a former chaplain and Director of Campus Ministry at Cabrini University. Let us pray for Mr. Janicki and his family at this sad time.

Sr. Christopher Wagner, OSF

Sr. Christopher Wagner passed peacefully last Thursday, April 20th, at Assisi House, the retirement care facility of the Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia. Sr. Chris served as the Member Area Coordinator for the Delaware Valley Region of NRVC beginning in 2016-17. She was an accomplished artist and a kind friend to all. May she rest in God's eternal light. To read about Sr. Chris' stained glass artistry, please click here

