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October to Be Dedicated to Praying for Peace in Ukraine

~ by Christopher Wells, Vatican News

Insisting that there is “a need for more prayer, for conversion, and an end to the conflict” in Ukraine, and in a response to a request from Ukrainian Bishops, Pope Francis “expressed his desire that during the month of October, especially in [Marian] Shrines, the Rosary be dedicated to peace and reconciliation in Ukraine.”

The appeal to dedicate October to prayers for peace in Ukraine came during a meeting with the Bishops of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, who are holding their annual Synod in Rome.

Suffering of the Ukrainian people

The Pope was greeted by Major Archbishop Sviatoslav Shevchuk, “who recalled the painful situation in which his country finds itself, with an increasing number of dead, wounded and tortured people, and who thanked the Pope for the affection shown in so many ways and on so many occasions.”

Following the greeting from Major Archbishop Shevchuk, several of the assembled bishops shared with the Pope their stories of “the suffering that the Ukrainian people are experiencing in different places and in different ways.”

Pope Francis expresses closeness

The Holy Father “listened attentively” to their testimony, and “with some brief interventions, expressed his feelings of closeness and participation in the tragedy that the Ukrainians are experiencing, with a ‘dimension of martyrdom’ that is not spoken about enough, subjected to cruelty and criminality.”

He also spoke about “his sorrow for the sense of helplessness experienced in the face of war,” which he ascribed to “the devil, who desires to destroy.”

Pope Francis turned his thoughts especially to the Ukrainian children he has met. “They look at you and have forgotten their smile,” he lamented. “This is one of the fruits of war: taking children's smiles away from them.”

To access the complete article, please click [here](#)

A Visit with Dear MSC Friends



Philip Deans (3rd r.) joined Missionary Sisters at the Sacred Heart Convent in NYC for lunch. Offering a warm welcome are Missionary Sisters James Skane, Amada Liboro, Renee Kittelson, Dianne McKenna and Claudia DeMarco.

People may not be aware that there are two low-income facilities for seniors within the Guadalupe Province: one in New York City and the other in Seattle, WA.

Philip Deans has managed the Cabrini Apartments in New York City since it opened in 2005. The apartments provide low-income housing for seniors who are 62 or older. (There are currently about 700 people on the waiting list for an apartment there.) Philip is also on the board for Cabrini Senior Housing in Seattle.

On August 17, Philip enjoyed his first visit with the sisters for lunch at the Sacred Heart Convent in New York City. ~ submitted by Sr. Renee Kittelson, MSC

The First of Many... on the TV News!



Readers of *The Update* will remember that in our June 29th edition we featured a story on baby Francesca Jurate Kristina Sasnaitis who entered the world in 1958 at Cabrini Health in Malvern, AUS. She was the first baby to be born there.

As Cabrini Health continues its 75th Anniversary celebration, Julie Fleming of Cabrini Health, shares this recent



television news coverage on the event. ~ submitted by Julie Fleming, Cabrini Health

To view the news coverage, please click [here](#)

Human Trafficking and College Campuses Webinar

For some, attending college is a pivotal time that involves meeting new people and testing the waters of independence. It can also be a time of increased vulnerability. In addition to the disproportionately higher rates of sexual assaults occurring on college campuses, there is also the risk of sex trafficking.



In some instances, it is also a time when some learn about human trafficking in their classes and decide to become anti-trafficking advocates. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking will hold a webinar on Sept. 13 at 1 p.m. EST that focuses on human trafficking with particular attention to what is happening on college campuses across the U.S.

Register: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_AidGOIGZQ8WSjXksd7K2jA#/registration Information: Info@SistersAgainstTrafficking.org

The Missionary Sisters have a Corporate Stance to Stop Trafficking of Women and Children. To access their Corporate Stance please click [here](#)

The Update

Some gentle reminders:

Please send news stories, calendar/event notices and prayer requests to:

Cabrini-news@mothercabrini.org

To ensure publication on Thursdays, kindly submit news and notices no later than noon on Wednesdays.

We will make every effort to publish prayer requests up to the time of publication.

The Guadalupe Province Communications Office looks forward to bringing you more good news of the MSCs, CLMs, and lay collaborators.

*Save
The Date*



MOTHER CABRINI SHRINE
GALA 2023

Friday, November 17th at 5:30 pm

PINNACLE CLUB

AT THE GRAND HYATT DENVER

CHAPEL DEDICATION

Saturday, November 18th at 4:00 pm

AT MOTHER CABRINI SHRINE

MotherCabriniShrine.org

Prayer Requests

Fr. James Devlin

Prayers are requested for the healing of Father James Devlin, the brother of Mary Devlin, former Administrator of Cabrini Center for Nursing in New York City. Father Jim has been intubated after a procedure on his heart. Pray for his return to full health.

Family in Crisis

You are asked to continue your prayers for a family in crisis that is much in need of solace and healing. Your prayerful support would be deeply appreciated.

Prayer request for those in need

Please pray for two acquaintances of Maria Valente Breeser, Cabrini (College) University Class of '73. These individuals are experiencing serious illnesses. Pray that treatments are successful.

Don Wingerter

Following a successful procedure, Don Wingerter, husband of Florence Wingerter, Cabrini High School alumna and trustee, is now at home. Please pray that his recovery will be swift.

With Grateful Hearts

Rosemary Gehrlein, staff member of Cabrini University, would like to thank everyone for their continued prayers for her brother, Anthony Russo (Cabrini College, Class of 75). His chemotherapy treatments are working, as tests have shown that tumors are shrinking! Please continue to keep Anthony in your prayers as he travels the road to recovery.

