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NEWS FROM THE CABRINI WORLD

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Nursing home in New York.

Let us remember migrants, refugees, and the missionary world

In September several initiatives concerned migration, not only in terms of numbers and news reports, but also in terms of faces, stories and people.

On Saturday, September 19, an engaging afternoon of music, words and testimony was held at the Tabor Church in **Codogno**, dedicated to the themes of migration, welcoming, the fight against discrimination, and dignified integration.

The meeting was born out of the synergy between Associazione MCOODV, MEIC Lodi and Umanità Lodigiana, who both wanted to provide a space for listening, discussion and awareness.

Fadi Jebail played the piano to accompany the stories and words of Vito Fiorino, witness to and protagonist of concrete acts of solidarity for those arriving in Lampedusa after crossing the sea in search of safety. Music and testimony intertwined.



Event in Codogno.

The Saint Cabrini Nursing Home in **New York** celebrated **National Migration Week** (September 20–26) with a special prayer service in honor of migrants and refugees. In keeping with the theme of the *United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), "Even one of the least of these,"* were hymns, Scripture readings, prayers, stories, and reflections. The theme, taken from the one chosen by Pope Leo XIV for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees, celebrated on September 27, invites us to reflect on Matthew 18:5: *"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me."*



Group photo in Paraguay with Sr. Laudir Croccoli and Sr. Nora Maria Tavares.

A pilgrimage and Mass in **Paraguay** marked this day on the last weekend of September. **Cabrini Immigrant Services NYC** embraced the theme of the day by welcoming Carmen (name changed) and her two children when they no longer knew to whom to turn. The team immediately provided Carmen with resources such as essential baby care items, MetroCards and credit cards, and began working with her to ensure broader support for her family through access to our food pantry, ongoing case management, supportive therapy and our parent support group.



Card from Cabrini Immigrant Services for the Day Dedicated to Migrants and Refugees.



SEPTEMBER 1
World Day for the Care of Creation



SEPTEMBER 27
World Day of Migrant and Refugee



OCTOBER 5
World Teachers' Day



OCTOBER 18
World Mission Day

These programs boosted her confidence in being able to face life in a new country and experience joyful moments with her family.
Last week, during National Migration Week, the Advisory Committee for Missionary Integration of the Santa Cabrini Nursing Home in New York organized a project called "Mission in Action," and part of it involved the collection of school supplies. Cabrini Immigrant Services of Dobbs Ferry (CIS-DF) distributed this material to the children. Father Ron Galt, Vice President of Pastoral Care and Mission, visited CIS-DF to help with the distribution where he blessed the supplies, each child, their families, and the CIS-DF staff. Action"!

Some institutional visits

On Friday, September 4, His Excellency, Bishop Maurizio Malvestiti of Lodi, went to **Codogno** to pray at the Heart of St. Frances Cabrini and pay a brief visit to the Cabrinian Museum. He had previously visited the Birthplace of St. Frances Cabrini in Sant'Angelo Lodigiano.



Bishop Malvestiti's Visit to the Cabriniano Museum in Codogno.

On October 5, the Mother Cabrini Shrine in **Colorado** welcomed Archbishop Golka for Mass and the celebrations of Cabrini Day!
While paying tribute to Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, patron saint of immigrants, Archbishop Golka and Auxiliary Bishop Rodríguez joined other Christian leaders from across Colorado to deliver a joint message on migrants and refugees. Their message calls on Christians to welcome newcomers as neighbors and to uphold the dignity of every person.



Group photo at the Mother Cabrini Shrine in Colorado.

ESTABLISHMENT OF CABRINI DAY IN SANT'ANGELO LODIGIANO AND LOS ANGELES

Cabrini Day was celebrated for the first time in **Sant'Angelo Lodigiano** on October 4, and will be celebrated on the first Sunday of October every year. In **Colorado**, it is already celebrated on the first Monday in October, and starting this year this holiday will be celebrated every year on October 12 in **Los Angeles** also.



Ceremony to Establish Cabrini Day in Los



IN CONSIGLIO La giornata dedicata alla santa è stata istituita ufficialmente

Sant'Angelo avrà il suo Cabrini day la prima domenica di ottobre

Newspaper article in Il Cittadino di Lodi.



A well under construction in Sadama, Ethiopia.

GOALS OF THE INSTITUTE

Ethiopia. The Institute of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus is pleased to announce the completion of a well, construction of which began in 2025, the Jubilee Year of Hope. We therefore share the joy of the MSC community in Sadama for this well from which missionary water flows to meet the needs of the apostolate.
The **Province of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini** has a new website! Best wishes for this new channel to share the charism of Mother Cabrini and her missions and works in Brazil, Argentina, and Paraguay!



Homepage of the new website for the Province of St. Francesca Saverio Cabrini.

October missionary month

The legacy of affection and solidarity left by Mother Cabrini is kept alive with affection and respect in the **Santa Cabrini Social Outreach in Brazil.** The mission is to welcome immigrants who arrive in search of new beginnings. To further strengthen this mission the social work goes hand in hand with *Caritas Brasiliana and ROUPARTE – REPAIR, ALTERATION AND CUSTOMIZATION OF CLOTHING*. It is an important partner and a key point of reference in the work of supporting migrants. In this perfect union, Outreach has opened its doors to host the Sewing and Minor Repairs Workshop. Much more than teaching a technique, each lesson is a gateway to learning, independence and integration in the job market. Every stitch represents the reconstruction of a dream and the hope for a more dignified future! An initiative that transforms lives!



Santa Cabrini Social Work in Brazil.



Card for the Missionary Month at Escuela Sagrada Familia No. 1.

The **Escuela Sagrada Familia** in **Nicaragua** celebrated the Eucharist with faith and joy in honor of Missionary Month, and the blessing with the relic of Saint Carlo Acutis which it also received. May his example inspire us to live our faith and proclaim the love of Jesus.



Nicaragua, Escuela Sagrada Familia, some students, and the relic of St. Charles Acutis.

The **Istituto Santa Rosa in Buenos Aires, Argentina**, celebrated the Mass for the sending forth of the young people of the Missionary Group on **October 3**. They left the following week for San Luis to embark on a new missionary experience.
They spent days preparing every detail of the trip with great joy and enthusiasm. During the day, they also organized and sorted food donations, because every act of love is part of the mission. The young people from Argentina went forth with the desire to share God's love, to accompany, serve, and learn together with each community, following in the footsteps of our beloved Mother Cabrini who made mission a way of life.
May God accompany them at every step and may their hearts always be open to encountering others.



Card per l'invio missionairo dell'Istituto Santa Rosa A-27. .



Students participating in the Migration Summit.

The *Holy Spirit Region* also participated in the *Cabrini Student Organizing Summit on Migration* held in Chicago from **October 2 to 4**. Among the students from Catholic universities Sr. Evarlyne Ndeti represented the Region.

It is with great joy that we present Violeta, the mascot of the **Cabrini Cup – Centennial Edition of Colegio Madre Cabrini** in São Paulo, Brazil! But before conquering the playing fields and people's hearts, our Violeta was born from a drawing.



Violeta, the Cabrini Cup mascot.

Mater Gratiae Provincial Assembly



The Working Groups During the Mater Gratiae Assembly.

From October 10 to 13, the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus of the Mater Gratiae Province gathered in Codogno for the Provincial Assembly. The Assembly began with greetings from Provincial Superior, Sr. Terezinha Esperanza Merandi MSC, who called on the sisters of the Province to be one body and to look courageously to the future. Sr. Patricia Godoy MSC, General Assistant, addressed the participants with words of encouragement, assuring them of her prayers and support for the work of the Assembly. The Assembly moderator was Sr. Rita Rasero, FDO (Daughters of the Oratory youth group).

The first two days were devoted to studying the Constitutions, with proposals from the Commission dedicated to studying and revising the Constitutions. The following days were spent sharing the realities of the various missions and works and to future planning.



A moment of reflection during the Regional Assembly.

Assembly in the Holy Spirit Region

On October 6 and 7, the Regional Assembly was held in the Holy Spirit Region. As in the other Provinces, the theme of this Assembly was the Institute's Constitutions. The sisters continued the work they had begun in previous months. The sessions, facilitated by Ms. Nicole Rose, were intense and marked by a spirit of open and joyful sharing.

Sr. Patricia Godoy, MSC General Assistant, also attended the Regional Assembly.

Assembly of the Province of St. Francisca Cabrini



Group photo from the Assembly of the Province of Santa Francisca Cabrini.

The Assembly of the Province of St. Francisca Cabrini was held in São Paulo, Brazil, on October 15 and 16, 2026. The central theme was "The Constitutions of the Congregation." The assembly was facilitated by Sr. Mercedes del Cármen Donato of the Capuchin Sisters of Mother Rubatto.

In the two days leading up to the Assembly, a formation session was held on the theme "Giving New Meaning to Vocational Animation Starting from the Community," led by Sr. Anette Havenne, ISM.

The Assembly, which was coordinated by the Sisters of the Provincial Council—Sr. Denise, Sr. Sandra, and Sr. Maria del Cármen—was also attended by Sr. Stella Maris Elena, General Assistant of the MSC.



Guadalupe Provincial Assembly.

Guadalupe Province Assembly

The Assembly of the Province of Guadalupe began on the afternoon of October 25, 2026. Its aim was the formation of the sisters and the laity, as well as the continuation of reflection on the Constitutions.

The welcome session began with a song dedicated to Our Lady of Guadalupe on the occasion of the Guadalupan Jubilee Year. Then Provincial Superior, Sr. Lucy Panettieri MSC, greeted and welcomed those present and introduced the Councilors. On October 26, the working day began with the celebration of the Eucharist. Next, the first session took place on reconnecting through the person and the mission.

In the second session in the afternoon, the sisters listened to the ministries and reflected on their own experience. On the 27th there were two talks by Sr. Imma De Stefanis and Sr. Reyna González, as well as sessions of reflection led by Fr. James Miracky. The 28th was marked by the sending of lay people on mission and the start of work on the Constitutions, then continued on the 29th. October 30 saw the closing session and the missionary sending of Sr. Norma Beatriz Caal López, MSC.

YOUTH AND VOCATIONAL MINISTRY ACTIVITIES

Youth Mission in Brazil. The Province of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, through Sisters Denise Morra and Roseni T. Gonçalves, has developed a project with young people in the parishes where the MSC missions are located. The project's aim is to raise awareness of the five Patron Saints of World Youth Day, Seoul 2027; the planning work is to be carried out from September 2026 to May 2027.

The first event of this project took place in Oeiras, Piauí. In Rio Pomba, Sr. Lúcia Cosme and her team also held the first meeting on the project. The next workshop will be held at the Bom Jesus da Cana Verde Parish in Tabuleiro.



Youth Mission 2026 in Brazil.

Testimony of the postulant Stella Maris

In this testimony, we meet the postulant Stellamaris, a young woman who is following a path of formation. Read her story about the time she spent at the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart of Jesus mission in Dubbo, **Ethiopia at** this link: https://www.sacredheartcabrini.org/news/encountering-jesus-through-service-in-dubbo-ethiopia



The postulant Stellamaris in Ethiopia.

Youth vigil in France with the Pope on September 25, Stade de France in Saint-Denis (Paris)



First Youth Vocational Day.

Brazil. Young people, you are God's garden! (1 Cor 3:9)

On August 30 about 100 young people from the parish of São Manoel in Rio Pomba (MG), participated in the 1st Youth Vocations Day, closing the vocations month with a day of encounter, prayer, reflection and discernment. Led by the team of the SAV – the Parish's Vocation Promotion Service – the Day saw the participation of Sr. Lucia Cosme, MSC, and the novice Francisca, who collaborated in the prayer and reflection on the theme, as well as accompanying the young people in various workshops and periods of vocational sharing.

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS



A still from the September edition of the Pope Video.

Water is a sacred gift that sustains life. In it, we recognize a sign of God's generosity: it quenches thirst, makes the earth fruitful, and, in baptism, becomes a symbol of His renewing grace. Protecting water also means protecting life and recognizing that this resource belongs to everyone, without distinction. In his prayer intention for the month of September, Pope Leo invites us to pray for the management of water, so that we may learn to value it with gratitude, justice and moderation, and so that we may know how to defend the right of every brother and sister to have equal access to it..

There are often invisible wounds felt in the deepest solitude. In addition to their own suffering, those afflicted by mental illness must also contend with the burden of stigma and the indifference of those who look away. Faced with this situation, the Church is called to be an open house, a community that listens without judging and that accompanies. In his prayer intention for this month, Pope Leo invites us to pray for mental health pastoral care, so that we may know how to welcome those who suffer in silence, support those who care for them, and learn to integrate attention to mental health into our community life as a living sign of mercy.



A still from the October edition of the Pope Video.

VISITS AND TESTIMONIES AT THE GENERALATE IN ROME



From left: Sr. Patricia, Sr. Eliane, Chiara, and Pierpaolo of the Catholic Mothers Apostolate.

On **September 16**, Chiara Finaldi, founder of the *Catholic Mothers Apostolate* based at the *Cabrini Community Campus* in London, visited the Generalate in Rome with her husband Pierpaolo. They were welcomed by General Superior, Sr. Maria Eliane Azevedo Da Silva, and General Assistant, Sr. Patricia Argentina Godoy. You can follow their apostolate on the website **https://catholicmothers.co.uk/** and on the Facebook pages and Instagram profile "*Catholic mothers*".



Novena at the Parish of St. Gabriel the Archangel in Rome.

On **September 25** at the Parish of St. Gabriel Archangel administered by the Vocationists in Rome, the parish of the Generalate, the MSC sisters first led the Holy Rosary and then the hymns and readings of the Holy Mass for the Novena for the 70th anniversary of its establishment and the 40th anniversary of the consecration of the new church.
At the beginning of the Mass, General Assistant, Sr. Patricia Argentina Godoy, briefly introduced the Congregation of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. From September 20 to 28, the novena for the September 29 feast day was led each day by a different religious community present in the area.



Rosary for Peace organized by the UISG.

On **October 15**, the UISG (International Union of General Superiors) organized an online rosary for peace. General Superior Sr. Maria Eliane Azevedo Da Silva also participated, reciting the rosary in Portuguese. We thank the UISG for giving us the opportunity as a Congregation to pray together. Let us continue to stand united against all conflicts and strife in the world!



Celebrations at Villa Mercedes.

INAUGURATIONS IN THE CABRINIAN WORLD

On **September 24** the patron saint's feast day in honor of Our Lady of Mercy was celebrated in Villa Mercedes, Argentina with an outdoor Mass and a procession. The faithful attended the main celebration presided over by the Bishop of San Luis, Gabriel Barba, during which they commemorated Mother Cabrini 125 years after she visited the city. Songs, prayers, and devotions accompanied the image of Our Lady of Mercy during the afternoon. The main celebration in honor of the patron saint of Villa Mercedes began in front of the parish church and continued through the streets of the town center, with a special stop in front of the mural of Mother Cabrini. The mayor, Maximiliano Frontera, also attended the religious celebration and activities. After Mass, the image was carried through the streets of the city center. Then, from Pedernera, they proceeded to Buenos Aires, Lavalle, and Pringles, before arriving at Potosí and Pedernera. Here they stopped in front of the mural dedicated to Mother Cabrini. There, flowers were laid in tribute to her as part of the 125th anniversary of her arrival in Villa Mercedes. The procession then returned to its starting point. Sr. Marisel Mora, MSC, Sr. María Oliveira, MSC, and Sr. Laura Elizabeth Sánchez, MSC, attended the event.

On September 17, the date of November 13 was established as the Provincial Day of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini throughout the territory of San Luis, Argentina.

On the afternoon of **September 10**, the Villanova University community held the official inauguration ceremony for the Cabrini Campus, which covers an area of 112 acres, following a two-year redevelopment program. The ceremony took place in what is now known as the Cabrini Arbor – formerly called The Commons and the Peace Pole Garden. Participating in the ceremony were the Rector of Villanova University, Rev. Peter M. Donohue, O.S.A., PhD, and Sr. Diane Olmstead, MSC, former Superior of the Province of Guadalupe and member of the Villanova Board of Trustees.



Photos of the celebrations at Villanova University.

90 YEARS OF SANT'ANGELO LODIGIANO SCHOOL AND...

On Saturday, October 3, the *Mother Cabrini School* in Sant'Angelo Lodigiano celebrated its 90th anniversary. The year of celebrations for this important milestone has begun! The day began with a children's march from the birthplace of Saint Frances Cabrini to the Basilica of Saints Anthony Abbot and Frances Xavier Cabrini. The walk was followed by

- greetings of welcome
- games relating to the life of Mother Cabrini
- a prayer and blessing by the parish priest, Father Enzo Raimondi

And then… a big party was held in the schoolyard, full of joy, colors, and smiles!



Photos of the celebrations marking the 90th anniversary of the Cabrini School in Sant'Angelo Lodigiano.

50 YEARS OF SPECIAL EDUCATION IN ROSARIO

On August 19, the Santa Maria School at the *Colegio Madre Cabrini in Rosario* celebrated 50 years from its founding! On September 22 our special school in Argentina celebrated this anniversary together with former teachers.



Photos of the celebrations marking the 50th anniversary of the Santa Maria Special School in Rosario.

Mother Cabrini in Germany

On October 24, a theatrical performance entirely in Italian in honor of Mother Cabrini was held at the "Cristo Re" parish hall theater in Stuttgart. Here are some pictures!





A Painting Donated by the Diocese of Ugento - Santa Maria di Leuca

This painting was donated to the General Curia following the August visit by Sr. Maria Eliane, Sr. Stella Maris, and Sr. Assunta to the Diocese of Ugento–Santa Maria di Leuca.



The painting donated to the General Curia in Rome.

Descriptive and technical-artistic report on the work—"Saint Francesca Saverio Cabrini," oil on canvas.

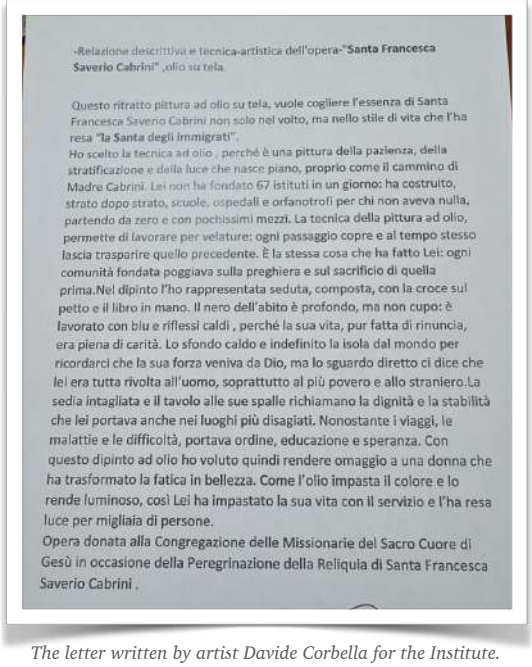
This oil painting on canvas aims to capture the essence of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini—not only in her face, but in the way of life that made her "the Saint of Immigrants."

I chose the oil painting technique because it is a form of art that embodies patience, layering, and light that emerges gradually—just like Mother Cabrini's journey. She did not found 67 institutions in a single day: she built, layer by layer, schools, hospitals, and orphanages for those who had nothing, starting from scratch and with very few resources. The oil painting technique allows one to work with glazes: each layer covers the previous one while simultaneously allowing it to show through. This is exactly what she did: each community she founded was built upon the prayer and sacrifice of the one that came before it.

In the painting, I have depicted her seated, composed, with a cross on her chest and a book in her hand.

The black of her habit is deep but not somber: it is rendered with blue and warm highlights, because her life, though marked by self-denial, was full of charity. The warm, indistinct background sets her apart from the world to remind us that her strength came from God, yet her direct gaze tells us that she was wholly devoted to humanity, especially the poorest and the stranger. The carved chair and table behind her evoke the dignity and stability she brought even to the most deprived places. Despite her travels, illnesses, and hardships, she brought order, education, and hope. With this oil painting, I therefore wanted to pay tribute to a woman who transformed hardship into beauty. Just as oil blends color and makes it luminous, so she blended her life with service and made it a light for thousands of people.

Work donated to the Congregation of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the occasion of the Pilgrimage of the Relic of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini.



-Relazione descrittiva e tecnica-artistica dell'opera-"**Santa Francesca Saverio Cabrini**" ,olio su tela.

Questo ritratto pittura ad olio su tela, vuole cogliere l'essenza di Santa Francesca Saverio Cabrini non solo nel volto, ma nello stile di vita che l'ha resa "**la Santa degli immigrati**".
Ho scelto la tecnica ad olio , perché è una pittura della pazienza, della stratificazione e della luce che nasce piano, proprio come il cammino di Madre Cabrini. Lei non ha fondato 67 istituti in un giorno: ha costruito, strato dopo strato, scuole, ospedali e orfanotrofi per chi non aveva nulla, partendo da zero e con pochissimi mezzi. La tecnica della pittura ad olio, permette di lavorare per velature: ogni passaggio copre e al tempo stesso lascia trasparire quello precedente. È la stessa cosa che ha fatto Lei: ogni comunità fondata poggiava sulla preghiera e sul sacrificio di quella prima.Nel dipinto l'ho rappresentata seduta, composta, con la croce sul petto e il libro in mano. Il nero dell'abito è profondo, ma non cupo: è lavorato con blu e riflessi caldi , perché la sua vita, pur fatta di rinuncia, era piena di carità. Lo sfondo caldo e indefinito la isola dal mondo per ricordarci che la sua forza veniva da Dio, ma lo sguardo diretto ci dice che lei era tutta rivolta all'uomo, soprattutto al più povero e allo straniero.La sedia intagliata e il tavolo alle sue spalle richiamano la dignità e la stabilità che lei portava anche nei luoghi più disagiati. Nonostante i viaggi, le malattie e le difficoltà, portava ordine, educazione e speranza. Con questo dipinto ad olio ho voluto quindi rendere omaggio a una donna che ha trasformato la fatica in bellezza. Come l'olio impasta il colore e lo rende luminoso, così Lei ha impastato la sua vita con il servizio e l'ha resa luce per migliaia di persone.
Opera donata alla Congregazione delle Missionarie del Sacro Cuore di Gesù in occasione della Peregrinazione della Reliquia di Santa Francesca Saverio Cabrini .

The letter written by artist Davide Corbella for the Institute.

Gagliano del Capo, August 7, 2026 Davide Cordella



GOOD WISHES AND PRAYERS FOR THE POPE

On September 14, the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross, we celebrated the Holy Father's birthday.
We, the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, join in the prayers of the entire Church for the health of the Holy Father, Leo XIV! His surgery was on October 13th.



News from the Missions



NEWS IN THE CHURCH - WYD SEOUL 2027

The **Official Anthem** of WYD Seoul 2027, "Confidite, Ego Vici Mundum," has finally been released! Inspired by the words of Jesus himself, the hymn tells the story of all of us who move forward with faith and courage, even in the midst of fear.

We hope that whenever we think back on the time we spent together in Seoul, this hymn will bring to mind the prayers and encounters, the joy and the deep emotions of those days. Let's keep walking together until the day our anthem resounds!

https://www.facebook.com/share/v/18hK3N9ksv/



From the World Youth Day Facebook page.



SEPTEMBER 8
Feast of the Nativity of Mary



SEPTEMBER 14
Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross



SEPTEMBER 29
Feast of St. Gabriel Archangel



OCTOBER 4
Saint Francis of Assisi



OCTOBER 16
Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque

Happy birthday, Mr. Wolfington!

(Devotee of Mother Cabrini and financier of the 2023 film dedicated to her)







From left: Mr. Wolfington with former Superior General Sr. Barbara Staley, Sr. Bernadette, and Mimi Wolfington; with Superior General Sr. Maria Eliane Azevedo Da Silva; and with Sr. Maria Barbagallo. Below are photos from his visit to Codogno in 2021.

Dear Mr. Wolfington,
I thank the Lord for our meeting three years ago, on the occasion of the film you so eagerly awaited, and I am writing to extend my warmest birthday wishes to you.
I hope that you will continue to maintain your unwavering devotion to Mother Cabrini and, on behalf of the Institute, I thank you for all that you have done to spread the name of our beloved Saint throughout the world.
In the hope of your being able to continue this wonderful mission that began several years ago, I ask God the Father to bestow blessings and grace upon you and your family.
With renewed gratitude and united in prayer,
Sister Maria Eliane
General Superior of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

THE STUDENTS OF COLEGIO CABRINI IN MADRID AT CABRINIAN SITES






Students from Colegio Cabrini in Madrid visit Sant'Angelo Lodigiano and Codogno.

PRESENTATION OF THE BOOK "STARE NEL MONDO. GIOVANI E ANZIANI DELL'ITALIA LONGEVA E MULTICULTURALE"

October 9 saw the presentation of the book *"Stare nel mondo. Giovani e anziani dell'Italia longeva e multiculturale" (Living in the world. Young and old in long-lived and multicultural Italy)* at the *Chapter Hall of the Cloister of the Convent of Santa Maria Sopra Minerva.* ***ISTAT, Fondazione Migrantes and Istituto Toniolo*** strongly supported it and provided contributions. The presentation of the book was moderated by journalist Elisabetta Soglio, Editor of Corriere Buone Notizie. The first series of speakers included Italian Senator Graziano Del Rio, Monsignor Pierpaolo Felicolo, Director General of the Migrantes Foundation of the Italian Episcopal Conference, and Giuseppe Fioroni, Vice President of the Toniolo Institute. The President of ISTAT, Dr. Francesco Maria Chelli, also joined by teleconference. Sabrina Prati of ISTAT, researcher and Head of the Statistics Service on Migration and the Conditions of Foreign Nationals, then gave her presentation, followed by the authors of the book in this order: Cristina Pasqualini, Delfina Licata and Fabio Introini. Dr. Anna Maria Tarantola then summed up the meeting.



From left: Monsignor Felicolo, Drs. Prati and Tarantola, Dr. Delrio, Dr. Introini, Dr. Pasqualini, journalist Soglio, and Dr. Fioroni.

VISIT TO CHICAGO AND SEATTLE BY THE GENERAL ASSISTANTS



From left: Mr. Greg Lane, Head of the MSC Finance Office; Corinna and María Laughlin of the Villa Academy Board of Trustees; Assistants Sr. Srella Maris and Sr. Gilda; Provincial Superior Sr. Lucy; and Ryan McAnich of the Villa Academy Board of Trustees in St. Anne's Chapel at Villa Academy in Seattle.

On September 10, 2026, Sr. Stella Maris Elena, MSC, General Assistant and General Treasurer, and Sr. Gilda Mercedes Mendoza Argueta, MSC, General Assistant for the Province of Guadalupe, traveled to Chicago, Illinois, for an office visit and other matters They returned to Rome on September 20.

On the morning of Friday, September 11, they attended a meeting with the Chicago Office team, consisting of Sr. Joaquina Costa, MSC, Mr. Greg Lane, Ms. Kayoko Lyons, Ms. Verónica Calderón, and Ms. Lori Schneider. In the following days, they participated in Eucharistic celebrations at the National Shrine of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, together with the sisters of the community, and in the Church of Our Lady of the Angels. During their stay in Chicago, they also met with Sr. Lucy Panettieri, MSC, Provincial Superior of Guadalupe, to discuss the Province's various activities.

They visited the St. Anne Chapel at Villa Accademy and had the opportunity to meet Fr. J. Michael G. Ryan, who knew Sr. Lucy Panettieri, MSC, as they had worked together on the occasion of the Institute's centennial. On Friday the 18th, they began their return trip to Chicago.

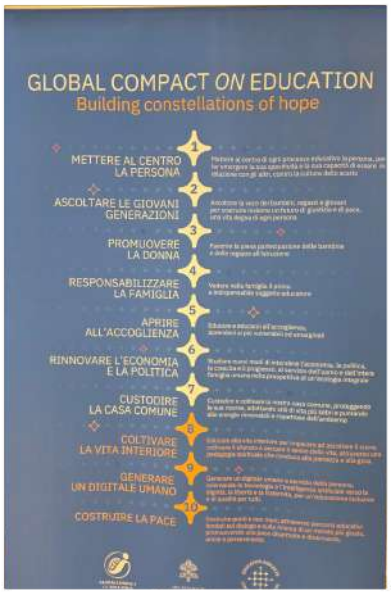
This visit was an extremely enriching experience for them, both for the good of the Institute and for the service and support of all our missions.

PASTORAL CONGRESS FOR SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES

The International Congress on Pastoral Care in Schools and Universities took place on October 22 and 23, 2026, in the Paul VI Hall at the Vatican. The Conference, promoted by the Dicastery for Culture and Education at the instigation of the Apostolic Letter signed by Pope Leo XIV and the Jubilee of the World of Education, was entitled *Drawing New Maps of Hope*. Following the initial greetings from Cardinal José Tolentino de Mendonça, Prefect of the Dicastery for Culture and Education, there were listening, reflection, and dialogue sessions structured in three modules: *Cultivating Interiority, The Digital Human, and Educating for Peace*. This meeting was attended by General Superior, Sr. Maria Eliane Azevedo Da Silva, General Assistant, Sr. Patricia Argentina Godoy, Sr. Conchita Revalo Solano MSC, and teachers Claudia and Teresa, coordinators and members of the school pastoral group of our *Colegio Cabrini in Madrid*. Of note was the audience the Holy Father held with the participants on the 22nd.







In these photos are the General Superior, Sr. Maria Eliane Azevedo Da Silva; the Assistant General, Sr. Patricia Godoy; Sr. Conchita Revalo Solano, MSC, from Madrid; and the teachers Claudia and Teresa.

FORMATION MEETINGS



Formation Meeting of Mater Gratiae Province – Sisters and Lay People
On Saturday, September 5, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., the Codogno Spirituality Center hosted a formation meeting open to sisters and lay people of the Mater Gratiae Province, dedicated to the theme "*Magnifica Humanitas*," the Encyclical Letter of His Holiness Leo XIV.
A day to reflect together in the light of faith on the challenges that Artificial Intelligence constitutes for mankind today.
An opportunity for formation and discussion to address one of the great questions of our time from a Christian perspective.

From September 21 to 25 were **meetings of the formators** who deal with the initial phase of consecrated life in the Institute. Everything took place at Casa Cabrini on Via Sicilia in Rome. The focus of these meetings was to share life and mission as formators, and to review the *Ratio Formationis* and the *Formation Guide*. There were several opportunities for sharing, listening, prayer, recreation, and building together. In addition, there was a pilgrimage day in Assisi, and prayer for the 800th anniversary of St. Francis. Dr. Patrizia Morgante facilitated the meetings held over these days. In subsequent days, there were also speeches by Sr. Maria Luiza Berzosa on the topic of spiritual discernment and by Paula Jordão, Formation Coordinator at the UISG who spoke on the spiritual and psychological aspects of formation quoting the book she wrote, "*Così fragili e così amati – Conoscere se stessi e lasciarsi amare da Dio*" ("So fragile and so loved – Knowing oneself and letting oneself be loved by God"). Sisters Gilda, Sister Stella Maris, and the new Provincial Superior, Sister Terezinha Merandi, also attended this presentation.



Group photo on Via Sicilia at the conclusion of the training sessions with author Paula Jordão.



From left: Sr. Diane Olmstead, Sr. Pietrina Raccuglia, Sr. Mariví, Sr. Concepcion Vallecillo, the Superior General, Sr. Maria Eliane Azevedo da Silva, and Father José Cristo Rey García Paredes, CMF.

Several meetings were held in Madrid during the second week of September. On **September 17**, a conference was held in Madrid, followed by a discussion led and moderated by CMF missionary Fr. José Cristo Rey García Paredes of the Congregation of the *Missionaries of the Sons of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary*. Attending the meeting were General Superior of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart, Sr. Maria Eliane, Sr. Concepción, Sr. Mariví, Sr. Pietrina, and Sr. Diane. The theme of the meeting was the process of updating the text of the Constitutions.

"Let us work in haste because the reward is already prepared; it is what we ourselves have sent ahead. Jesus is with us, we can do all things. By ourselves we shall fall, but with God we shall do all things. Courage, daughters!"
S.F.X.Cabrini, To the Ends of the Heart

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