



# NEWS FROM THE CABRINI WORLD

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In this box scattered images of Sr. Evarytin Ndeti's initial vows at Sacred Heart Convent in New York City and Sr. Luciana Galdina De Sousa's perpetual vows at St. Ignacio of Loyola and St. Pablo Apostol parish in Villa Mariana, São Paulo Brazil and Sr. Laura Elizabeth Sanchez's perpetual vows at St. Albert the Great parish in Villa Albertina in Lomas de Zamora.

## World Day of Consecrated Life

We thank God for the gifts received in the last few months. Sr. Luciana Galdina De Sousa and Sr. Laura Elizabeth Sanchez professed their Perpetual Vows on January 21 and February 2, respectively. Sr. Luciana's Perpetual Profession ceremony was in the parish of St. Ignatius of Loyola and St. Paul the Apostle in São Paulo, Brazil. The celebration was presided over by Monsignor Juarez Marques Sousa da Silva, Archbishop of Teresina, Piauí. Many MSCs participated along with the community and family. On the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord and World Day of Consecrated Life, February 2, Sr. Laura Elizabeth Sánchez also made her Perpetual Profession. The Eucharist was celebrated by the Bishop of the Diocese of Lomas de Zamora, Monsignor Jorge Lugones SJ, in the parish of St. Albertus Magnus (Villa Lamadrid, Lomas de Zamora) and was attended by Sr. Laura's family and Sisters from the communities in Brazil, San Luis, Rosario, Buenos Aires and Ingeniero Budge, as well as many Faithful. The celebrations in Argentina and Brazil were attended by the General Superior, Sr. Eliane, and General Councilor, Sr. Stella Maris.



Celebration of the Day of Consecrated Life at the Shrine in Denver, Colorado.



January 1

World Day of Peace

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February 8

World Day of Prayer and Reflection against Trafficking in Persons

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February 11

World Day of the Sick

## LET US PRAY TO THE SAINTS OF THE MONTH!

In January on the 29th we celebrated St. Francis de Sales, while on February 8 we remembered St. Josephine Bakhita.

From January 18 to 25, we celebrated the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

Also on February 2, Sr. Evarlyn Ndeti made her First Profession of Vows at Sacred Heart Convent in New York. Several Sisters were present to give thanks for the gift of Consecrated Life. Among them was also General Councilor, Sr. Patricia Godoy. There were many celebrations on this day in other parts of the Institute as well, such as in Codogno and the Shrine in Colorado. We are grateful for their service, dedication and love.

Page from "The Citizen of Lodi" about the Feb. 2 Eucharistic liturgy celebrated in the Cathedral.



## MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE GENERALATE

**From February 12 to 14**, members of the Cabrini Global Health Commission met in Codogno to draw up a strategic plan for the coming year. Commission members include Prof. Ariel Pablos Mendez, Prof. Mario Raviglione, Ms. Sue Williams, Prof. Matt Sabin, Dr. Sr. Concepción Vallecillo (acting chair), Sr. Patricia Godoy, Sr. Hanna



A working group during the meeting of the Cabrini Global Health Commission.

Dima, and Ms. Nicole Rose Nieman. The first part of the program consisted of an instructive visit to the Mother Cabrini Spirituality Center and a discussion on Mother Cabrini's spirituality led by Sr. Terezinha Esperança Merandi. Dr. Giuseppe Tansini and Sr. Concepcion presented the historical and current context of Mother Cabrini and MSCs in the health field. The days included a good discussion on the macro and micro elements that influence health care delivery and how to best support MSC-sponsored health ministries in their dynamic environments. The leaders of the health ministries joined via Zoom to share their perspectives in a synodical listening forum and Sr. Eliane shared the life and passion of MSCs with the members. Commission members left with a clear direction for developing a strategy and look forward to continuing to advise and support the MSCs in providing the healing love of Christ to the marginalized and vulnerable.

**From February 21 to 25**, Sr. Eliane and the General Council traveled to Barcelona to participate in a training course on positive leadership. They took the occasion to visit the city, particularly the Sagrada Familia and the Church of Santa Maria del Mar. Inside the church, much to their surprise, they found a beautiful wooden statue of Mother Cabrini!



Sr. Eliane during the meeting of the International Health Commission in Codogno.



Wooden statue of Mother Cabrini in the basilica Church of St. Mary of the Sea.

## CABRINIAN NEWS

# News from Missions and Formation

- ✳ On January 7 on the occasion of the Baptism of Jesus, when the Christmas festivities had just ended, the Mother Cabrini Institute of Milan participated in the nativity scene contest in the Diocese of Milan, winning first prize. Pictured here is the award ceremony of the competition held by the Curia of Milan. Congratulations!
- ✳ On January 10, members of Cabrini Immigrant Services (CIS-NYC) stood alongside the New York Immigration Coalition (NYIC) and other organizations in Washington DC, to reaffirm their commitment to uphold justice and migrant rights.



Award ceremony for the first prize of the crib competition in Milan.

- \* On January 17, the OAB Piauí Commission for the Defense of the Rights of Children and Adolescents presented the books collected in the donation campaign carried out by the Work Section in recent months. The institutions that received the donations were the adoption support group Cria Piauí, the Women's House and the Santa Cabrini Youth Center. Sr. Denise Morra participated in the initiative.
- \* It is with great joy that we share the news that Cabrini of Westchester has been recognized as a candidate among the "Best Nursing Homes/Nursing Homes in America" in 2024.
- \* The group of Cabrinian Lay Missionaries of Guadalupe Province organized a prayer service for Ecuador and Nicaragua on January 19.
- \* On January 20, was Open Day at the Cabrini Institute in Rome.
- \* On January 22, educators from Mother Cabrini and Boni Consilii schools in Brazil participated in a morning of training on the theme of the Fraternity 2024 campaign. Also participating were Eduardo Brasileiro, who spoke on "The Role of the Educator in the Catholic School," and our General Superior, Sr. Maria Eliane, who reaffirmed the value of humanistic education with a Catholic Cabrinian identity.
- \* On January 29, the Cabrini Mission Foundation launched its 2024 Scholarship for New York students.



Sr. Denise Morra and the OAB Piauí Commission for the Defense of the Rights of Children and Adolescents.



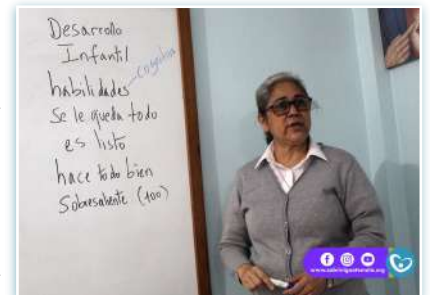
Intercongregational meeting of women religious from the Diocese of Novosibirsk.



Training on the theme of the "Fraternity Campaign 2024" in Brazil.

\* From January 29 to February 2, all women religious of the Diocese gathered in Novosibirsk Russia as their yearly custom. There was an intercongregational continuing formation meeting by Father Mariano Sierra, a Claretian, and in which Sr. Tatiana also participated. Then, in the Cathedral on February 2, the renewal of vows was celebrated. The issue of burn-out was analyzed and how spirituality can be an excellent support in preventing this extreme condition was examined.

- \* On February 5, at the Mother Cabrini Dispensary the Shekina program began with a first meeting of the parents, inaugurating a new year of accompaniment and stimulation for girls and boys. Classes will be held according to the group assigned.



Sr. Maria Elena Plata presents the Shekina program.



Carnival in the school of Sant'Angelo Lodigiano.

- \* On February 5 on Relevant Radio, an episode all about St. Cabrini was released in the "The Merry Beggars" section as part of The Saints Podcast.

- \* On February 6, at the school in Sant'Angelo Lodigiano, festivities for Carnival Week began.

- \* On February 8, the Centro da Juventude Santa Cabrini continued with the Pedagogical Week program and Sr. Roseni Teresinha Gonçalves shared her knowledge about the Global Educational



Celebration of World Anti-Trafficking Day at the Centro da Juventude in Brazil.

Pact with the team of social educators, family representatives and technicians from CRAS Sul II (Social Assistance Center). The Youth Center is busy with these concrete activities that will continue in 2024. Also at the same center, on February 16, they joined the "Um Grito pela Vida" Network on the feast of St. Josephine Bakhita and

the World Day of Prayer and Reflection against Human Trafficking. Participants organized an interfaith vigil, and Mass was celebrated in liturgical memory of St. Josephine at the St. Joseph the Liberator Parish. Members of the Rights Guarantee System also participated.



*Sr. Tatiana together with director Father Fornos and a volunteer.*

✱ On February 17, Sr. Eileen Currie held a small Lenten retreat at the St. Frances Cabrini Shrine.

✱ On February 29, Sr. Tatiana visited the Rome office of "The Pope's Video" as a sign of the MSCs' collaboration with this project. She met with the international director of the Pope's World Prayer Network, Fr. Frederic Fornos SJ, also in view of the Jubilee of the Sacred Heart.

## Mater Gratiae Provincial Assembly in Codogno



*Photo from the Mater Gratiae Assembly.*

From January 12 to 16, the Mater Gratiae Provincial Assembly was held. During the meetings, the Sisters and laity drew up guidelines for the next triennium. The various missions were then able to present their own works and activities. In a fraternal climate of sharing, the Cabrinian spirit was greatly appreciated, and the group of lay missionaries, which continues to increase in the Province, was welcomed with great faith.



*Sr. Marta Maria Lopez Castillo during the Assembly.*

## Exhibition at the Italian Parliament: "Mother Cabrini and the Pilgrim Angels"

**From January 30 to February 10**, the Cenacolo Room of the Chamber of Deputies in Rome, Italy, hosted a new exhibition by the artist Meo Carbone. It was inaugurated on Tuesday, January 30, at 4:30 p.m. in the Cenacolo Hall of the Vicolo Valdina Complex and was entitled "Mother Cabrini and the Pilgrim Angels" from the works of Meo Carbone. Speakers included Anna Ascani, Vice-President of the Chamber, Federico Mollicone, Chairman of the Culture Commission, Deputy Christian Di Sanzo and the artist, Meo Carbone. Then on February 1, the middle school classes of the Cabrini Institute on Anagni Street were taken on a tour of the exhibition by the artist himself.



*A glimpse of the exhibition by Meo Carbone.*



## Sr. Barbara Staley at Religious Formation Conference

We are happy to announce that our former General Superior and current HSR Regional Superior, Sr. Barbara Staley MSC, began her term as a new member of the Religious Formation Conference Board of Directors in January. The Religious Formation Conference is grateful to Sr. Barbara and the other new leaders who have stepped forward and agreed to serve the Conference at this important time. The RFC is concerned with the initial and continuing formation of religious men and women.

## IMPORTANT MOMENTS IN THE LIFE OF THE INSTITUTE

### Anniversary for 25 years of missionary presence in Ethiopia

On January 27, a Mass of Thanksgiving was celebrated in Dubbo, Ethiopia, for 25 years of missionary presence of the MSCs in this land of blessing. On this occasion, Sr. Lina Colombini MSC, who was General Superior when the Ethiopian mission was opened, expressed words of appreciation and gratitude for the years of missionary witness to the Love of Christ and the legacy of Mother



All MSC Sisters present at the celebration in Ethiopia.



Recitation of the Holy Rosary at the mission in Dubbo.

Cabrini. Many sisters arrived from all over the Region as well as from other parts of the Institute for the celebration. The joy and simplicity of the celebration touched the hearts of all participants. The celebration was held in the Dubbo parish, Our Lady of Lourdes, and was presided over by Emeritus Bishop Tsegaye Keneni (former bishop of the Apostolic Vicariate of Soddo). A big celebration followed the Mass with food, dancing and the traditional coffee ceremony. Broadcaster PAX CTV broadcast the entire celebration of the Eucharist.

### 50th Anniversary of La Inmaculada Technical Institute in Nicaragua

La Inmaculada Technical Institute in Nicaragua celebrated 50 years of educational service. The community celebrated this anniversary by reflecting on what we have built as a memory, as a Church, as the People of God accompanied by the



50th anniversary logo.



La Inmaculada Technical Institute.

presence of the MSCs, under the banner of the charism of St. Frances Cabrini. The MSCs began to weave this history in a rural neighborhood of the capital, Pochocuape and Loma Linda in 1974 with the dream of helping adolescents and young people with their educational and technical preparation. This work began after the Managua earthquake of December 1972, and today extends from kindergarten to high school, thanks to the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart who have given all their love, dedication and enthusiasm over the years.

### JANUARY 24 WORLD EDUCATION DAY

On this day we celebrated one of the most important ministries of our Institute. Thanks to those in the Cabrinian world who dedicate their lives to it! We are still continuing Mother Cabrini's apostolate of the "Education of the Heart"!



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### PUBLICATION VOLUME V OF THE EPISTOLARY

With great joy we announce that volume V of the Epistolary from 1895 to 1896 has been published in Spanish! As always, we thank Anna Cerri for her tireless work of translation!



## VISIT OF SR. DIANE OLMSTEAD AND SR. PIETRINA



From left: Sr. Pietrina, principal Louise Alexander and provincial superior Sr. Diane.

Sr. Diane Olmstead and Sr. Pietrina Raccuglia visited Cabrini Health in Melbourne, Australia. "This visit enriched the community in the hospital and strengthened our ties " declared Mrs. Louise Alexander, Executive Director of the Malvern campus.



Visit to the school in Sant'Angelo Lodigiano.

## VISITS TO MADRID AND SANT'ANGELO LODIGIANO

Following the meeting of the Cabrini Global Health Commission, Sr. Concepcion Vallecillo visited Cabrini College in Madrid and spoke in the classrooms about the activities carried out in Guatemala thanks to the help from the school's families. Taking advantage of the trip to Codogno for the Commission meeting, Sr. Hanna Dimma, Mr. Ariel Pablos Mendez and Mrs. Nicole Rose Nieman visited the school in Sant'Angelo Lodigiano.



Sr. Concepcion at the Colegio Cabrini in Madrid.

We want to sincerely thank everyone who contacted us through our website. There are so many of you showing your interest in Mother Cabrini and the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Cabrinian community is happy to pray for each of you and for your intentions. We remind you that you can contact us at [info@cabriniworld.org](mailto:info@cabriniworld.org).



*We wish you all a Blessed Lent and a Holy Easter!*



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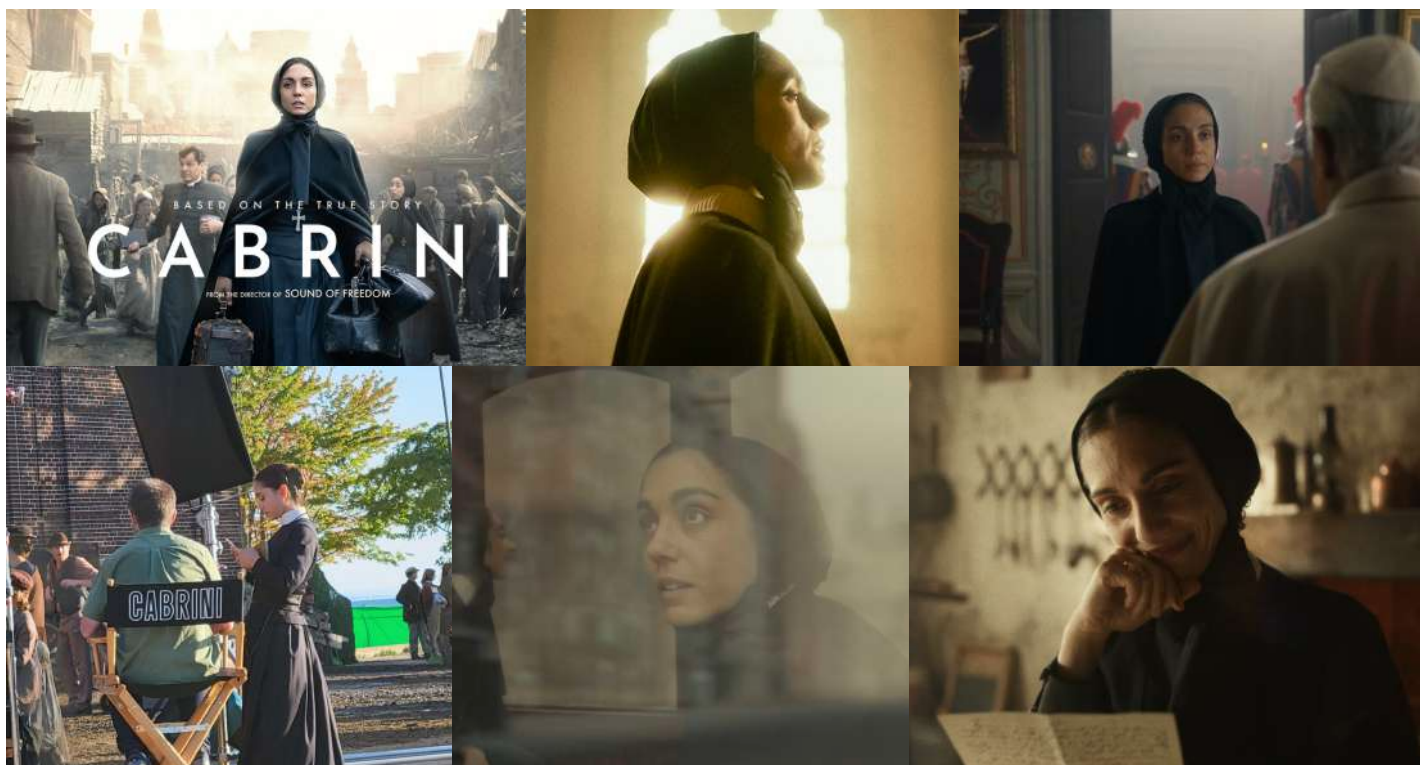
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## Alejandro Monteverde's film "Cabrini" coming out.



From left: the playbill and some photos from the filming of the movie "Cabrini" by Alejandro Monteverde.

It all started in 1955 when benefactor Mr. Wolfington took an interest in Mother Cabrini. Then in 2020, he decided to make a film about the one he had selected as his patron saint. In 2021, he came to the Generalate in Rome to talk to us about this project in which he had made a large investment, and which he was pursuing with much research and filming, from Codogno to Rome. On February 25 last year, many sisters and lay people from all over Italy attended the preview screening of the film "Cabrini" by Alejandro Monteverde at the Lateran Pontifical University in Rome. Mr. Eustace Wolfington also spoke on that occasion, emphasizing the connection with the Saint. We were very privileged to be there to see the fruits of this great work. Twelve months later, the film dedicated to Mother Cabrini is finally being released in theaters in the United States. Angel Studios is distributing and promoting the film, soon to be released in most parts of the globe. The date chosen for the U.S., March 8, is very symbolic and fitting for the celebration of such a great woman as St. Frances Xavier Cabrini as she is and continues to be through her Daughters, the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Other release dates are March 8 in Australia and South Africa, March 15 in the United Kingdom, March 21 in Mexico, March 21 in Argentina and Paraguay, on March 22 in Brazil, and on April 4 in Guatemala and Nicaragua. The complete calendar with the film release dates can be found at [www.cabriniworld.org](http://www.cabriniworld.org) and will be continuously updated. We invite you all to go to the movies and encourage your community, family, and friends to do so too, so that the figure of Mother Cabrini becomes more widely known and continues to inspire us and grow our mission in the world! This is our hope and, as Mr. Wolfington said, *"she taught us how to be happy by helping others. And those who are inspired by her become happier."*

