



June 23, 2022

The Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Friday, June 24, 2022

Dear Sisters, CLMs, and Laity,

As we are about to celebrate the solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Friday, June 24th, let us not forget to continue to “focus and gaze” on this heart of Jesus, allowing ourselves to be His instruments of Love, Hope, and Compassion in this world.

This Feast which is so dear to us should cause us to pause and remember that we must continue to be “Bearers of His Love in our World”, especially today no matter where we are or what obstacles we might face. Our mission of service is different for each one of us, but one thing is for sure and that is that each of us are called not to “passively” be loving and compassionate but are called to “actively” show that compassion no matter where we are throughout the world. Each of us still has a mission to do, from those that are healthy and able to those who are more restricted in health for we still are called to “Spread the Love of Jesus” and there are always ways to love and reveal God’s message to this world.

We shall always remember and be enriched by the testimony of our Sisters who have gone before us throughout the Institute, and we thank them for their service. These Sisters gave their “ALL” for the mission. I believe that their love of the Sacred Heart emboldened them to go into the world as it should be for us today.

So, Sisters let us live this Feast so dear to all of us with our eyes fixed on the Heart of Jesus as we “Go Out into the World” to continue to bring that good news and reveal His love in service to all.

Sr. Diane Olmstead, MSC
Provincial – Guadalupe Province



In the Sacred Heart,
Every treasure of wisdom and knowledge is hidden.
In that divine heart beats God's infinite love for
everyone and for each of us as individuals.

St. John Paul II

“I will go anywhere and do anything
In order to communicate the love of Jesus
to those who do not know him or have forgotten him”
St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

Happy Feast of the Sacred Heart

Tomorrow we celebrate the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The origins of the feast are with the visions received by St. Margaret Mary Alcoque, a 17th-century Visitation nun in a town called Paray-le-Monial, France. Her visions of Jesus presenting himself with his heart, were initially disbelieved by her fellow sisters. Then Jesus promised her in prayer that he would send her his “faithful servant and perfect friend.” Shortly afterwards, a Jesuit named Claude la Colombiere [arrived] at the convent to serve as a spiritual director for the sisters. He saw that Sr. Margaret Mary’s visions were authentic and devotion to the Sacred Heart spread from there.

The Feast of the Sacred Heart is an invitation to ask ourselves, “How did Jesus love?” and “Whom did Jesus love?” The answers to those two questions are: abundantly, totally and completely; and everyone, especially those who were poor or marginalized. But there are other questions that the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart raises: “How do I love?” and “Whom do I love?” And the most important question of all, “How can I love like Jesus?” Maybe that’s a question we can ask

ourselves tomorrow and always, as we encounter each person with the love of our own hearts, which seeks to love as Jesus' Sacred Heart did. ~ *James Martin, SJ, AMERICA*

In the Cabrinian community, the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus holds great significance. Mother Cabrini fully corresponded with the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus which motivated her to translate into action and reparation the mystical experience of loving communion with Jesus. It is on this feast day that the Missionary Sisters renew their vows and the Cabrini Lay Missionaries renew their commitments. Please keep the Missionary Sisters and the Cabrini Lay Missionaries in your thoughts and prayers in a special way on this Feast Day. And, this year, the Feast of the Sacred Heart is observed as the Missionary Sisters are about to enter their General Chapter which commences on Sunday, June 26th. We ask that you continue to keep the General Chapter in your prayers asking the Holy Spirit to inspire, enlighten, and guide the proceedings and all those present.



A Message from the MSC Generalate in Rome...

Dear Sisters and colleagues,

We would like to share with you **the link to the livestreaming of the General Chapter Opening Mass, on Sunday June 26 at 5:30 pm Rome time.**

LINK: <https://youtu.be/MiImnaKy5ak>

We hope that you will participate – even if online - in this special moment for the Institute and the entire Cabrinian family.

Thank you.

As DACA Marks 10th Anniversary, Recipients Voice Frustration Over Inaction

~ by Rhina Guidos, Catholic News Service

WASHINGTON – Standing outside the U.S. Capitol pleading with lawmakers to grant her and her peers a path toward citizenship is not how Zuleyma Barajas pictured her life 10 years after she was granted a temporary solution to remain in the U.S. Barajas believed her future included permanent residency, then citizenship, after President Barack Obama announced, through an executive order on June 15, 2012, he was extending protections for young adults who, like her, were brought into the country illegally as minor – via the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals.

The program, commonly known as DACA, gave her a reprieve from deportation, documents to work and drive, and hope that Congress would soon work together to find a permanent fix. Obama announced it as a temporary “stopgap” measure.

“I expected we’d be fighting another fight,” Barajas told Catholic News Service on June 15 outside the U.S. Capitol, saying she was “definitely frustrated” that absolutely nothing has happened in 10 years.

She said she wanted to ask lawmakers: “What is it that you need to hear? We’ve taken the necessary steps.”

A politically divided Congress, however, has not been able to agree on a comprehensive immigration plan, nor a bill to offer the approximately 760,000 DACA recipients a path to citizenship.



Auxiliary Bishop Mario Dorsonville of Washington, who is Chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops’ Conference on Migration, said on the anniversary of DACA that in the years that have passed “its beneficiaries have come to be known for their abundant contributions to our society.”

“But after a decade of temporary relief, most DACA recipients still face uncertainty about their future in this country, to say nothing of their families, including hundreds of thousands of U.S.-citizen children, employers and the communities that depend on them,” he said in a statement. “For those confronted by this reality, the church remains committed to walking with you and seeing this injustice remedied, furthering God’s plan,” he said.

While DACA “was never a cure for the underlying challenges” recipients faced, Dorsonville said, “it was a welcome step toward recognizing their inherent dignity and unrealized potential.”

“Only Congress can ensure the full integration of this population. We therefore urge legislators to make this moment the long-awaited inflection point that leads to a permanent solution...one of the many steps to address an immigration system in desperate need of reform,” Dorsonville said.

Fran Eskin Royer, Executive Director of the National Advocacy Center of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd, speaking in favor of DACA recipients said it was time to “end their nightmares; give them back their dreams. Children embody our hopes, our dreams. What does it say if we rip away the dreams of our children?”

Most Americans want them to stay in the U.S., she said. To read the entire article, please click [here](#)



Pope Francis' Synodality Could Be Key to Reaching Young Catholics

~ by Br. Ernest J. Miller for National Catholic Reporter

Inspired by Pope Francis' call for greater listening, presence and curiosity among the global church, nearly 400 students from more than 40 campuses across the Philadelphia metropolitan region joined a multipart listening process that culminated in an all-campus listening session at LaSalle University. Philadelphia Archbishop Nelson Perez participated in the listening session and delivered some thoughts at the end.

A major highlight of the event was the small discussion groups self-selected by students focused on six themes identified from the reports of cross-campus listening sessions: journeying from exclusion to inclusion, from fragmentation to wholeness, from discord to unity, from performance to integrity, from broken trust to account, from being led to leading.

Following the Pope's call

With the theme "For a synodal church: communion, participation, and mission," the church's process of synodality is positioned to capture the joys and hopes, the griefs and anxieties of young people as they navigate uncertainty, transcend traditional religious boundaries and encounter a sense of wholeness. Recognizing the unique role colleges and universities play in the dialogical and listening processes that make synodality possible, Pope Francis encouraged Catholic higher education institutions to create spaces to listen to the joys and hopes, grief and anxieties of young people in our care.

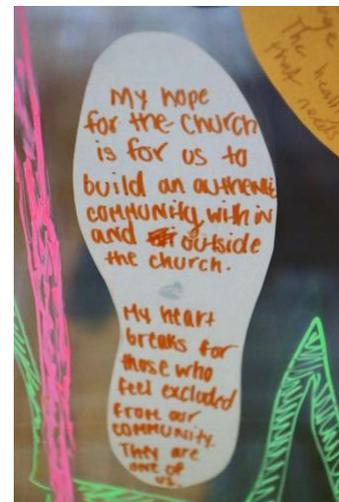
Why Young People Need Synodality

There is a continuing trend of young Catholics disassociating not only with institutional Catholicism and Christianity, but all religion. Young Catholics find themselves in a holy frustration, wrestling with disjointed elements of reality afflicting the church, nation and world.

Katherine Angulo V., who prepares pastoral leaders for long-term ministry at the University of Notre Dame writes:

"Young people desire to be listened to... Like Jesus' listening on the road [to Emmaus], our listening as teachers and ministers must take place on the road young people are traveling. We must go out to them. We must ask questions first, and then we must be prepared to answer the questions young people will inevitably ask us: Why do you stay? Why do you still believe?"

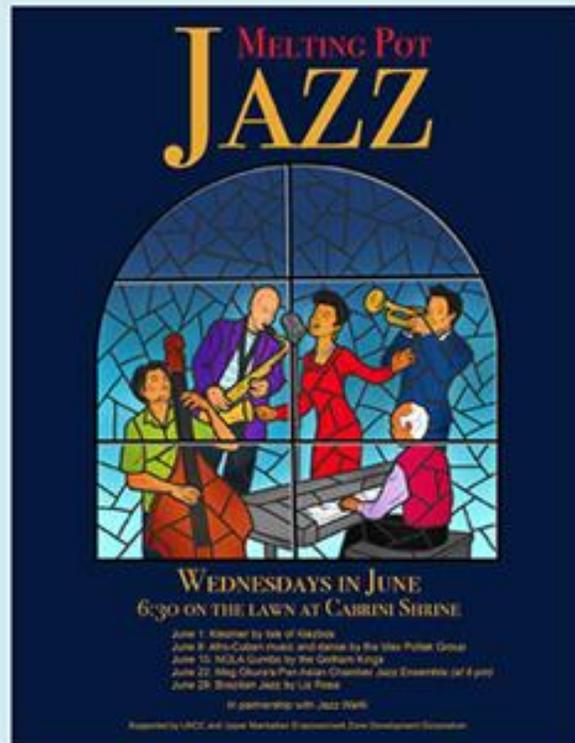
For young people, the experience of encountering a listening, curious and compassionate church becomes the yeast for fostering communion, participation and mission – the three markers that characterize the synod process in the church. To read the entire article, please click [here](#)



A student's message upon experiencing the listening sessions. (CNS photo/Catholic Philly.com/Sarah Webb)

Cool Jazz at the NY Shrine

Melting Pot Jazz Returns!



Wednesdays in June at 6:30pm

Join us on the lawn for music from around the world. Bring your own seating... and a neighbor!

June 8: **Afro-Cuban** music and dance by Max Pollock Group

June 15: **NOLA Gumbo** by the Gotham Kings

June 21: **Meg Okura's Pan Asian Chamber Jazz Ensemble** (6pm start)

June 29: **Brazilian Jazz** by Liz Rosa



PLAYBALL!

New York has a new professional baseball team the Staten Island Ferry Hawks of the Atlantic League. The Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Cabrini Mission Foundation want you to join us for a day at the ballpark! Get your team together and meet us behind home plate in the stadium's big event suite. Hotdogs, burgers bottomless popcorn, and soft drinks are included.

Date: Thursday, July 21, 2022

Game Time: 11:00 AM

Where: Staten Island University Hospital,
Community Park, 75 Richmond Terrace, Staten
Island, NY 10301

(Easy to get to by car, ferry, train or bus)

Sponsorships Available!

- Tickets for the game \$100
- Sponsor a Sister \$100
- Beverage Sponsor: \$350
- Base Hit Sponsor: \$750
- Stolen base Sponsor: \$1,000
- RBI Sponsor: \$1,500
- Double Sponsor \$2,000
- Triple Sponsor \$3,000
- Homerun Sponsor \$4,500
- Grand Slam Sponsor: \$5,000
- Team Captain Event Sponsor: \$10,000



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Prayer Requests

General Chapter of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus



The General Chapter of the Missionary Sisters will commence in Rome on June 26th. This is a sacred and special time in the life of the Institute when the Sisters will discern how the Institute will move forward into the future. It is also a time when new congregational leadership is decided upon.

Please unite in prayer that the Holy Spirit will bless and guide the Chapter proceedings.

To view the Opening Mass of the General Chapter at 5:30 pm Rome time (11:30 am EDT) please click [here](#)

Missionary Sisters and Cabrini Lay Missionaries

As we observe the Feast Day of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, we ask for special blessings for the Missionary Sisters as they renew their vows and for the Cabrini Lay Missionaries as they renew their commitments on this day. We give great thanks for their service to others.

Sherry Peters

Your prayers are requested for Sherry Peters, a former staff member at Cabrini University, who has had some health issues and is currently hospitalized. She would very much appreciate the prayers of the Cabrini community.

Teresa Verzosa

Continued prayers are requested for Teresa Verzosa, a friend of the Missionary Sisters.

With a Grateful Heart

Patricia Krasnausky shares her gratitude...



“I wish to thank everyone in the Cabrini family for their prayers and good wishes for my recovery. I’m deeply grateful for everyone’s thoughtful and generous support over the past month. I’m at home now receiving therapies and improving each day.”

The Cabrinian community continues to send Pat our prayers and very best wishes for her speedy and complete recovery.

XVI General Chapter

Prayer

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for all the graces and blessings of our shared journey as followers of Jesus in the Cabrinian charism. May your abiding presence renew our minds and hearts, as we walk towards our General Chapter.

Sacred Heart of Jesus,

Release in us the passion and desire for you that filled the heart of St. Frances Cabrini as she brought your liberating love to the peoples scattered around the world. Free us from all that would prevent our entering fully and generously into this favorable time of discernment and renewal.

Holy Spirit,

Breathe in us once more – that through our listening, conversing and decision-making, we may embrace the future with courage, freedom and faith. Give wings to the desires of our hearts, so that, drawn ever closer to the Heart of Christ, we may enter with joy and abandonment into the horizons of God. **Amen.**

In Loving Memory

Ruth Fitzgerald

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Ruth Fitzgerald, a former MSC from Australia, after an illness related to a heart/lung condition. She passed away peacefully at her home in Orange, NSW in Australia on Monday, June 20 at 4pm NSW time. Ruth was a nurse at the Missionary Sisters' hospital in Melbourne and later near her home in Orange. Ruth had spent time in the USA for novitiate and later in Chicago. May she rest in God's eternal light.

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“ If the Sacred Heart of Jesus would give me the means, I would construct a boat called the Christopher (the Bearer of Christ) so as to carry the Name of Christ to all people, to those who as yet do not know Him and also to those who have forgotten him.”

~ Frances Cabrini

To access the Sacred Heart novena, Please click [here](#)

Tomorrow is the Feast of the Sacred Heart

A prayerful way of celebrating the Feast of the Sacred Heart is to visit the St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Shrine in Upper Manhattan for a concert of sacred music.

Melodies From the Heart: Voice and Guitar Songs for the Sacred Heart



Duo Cantabile: Mariano and Lauri Aguirre

The acclaimed Duo Cantabile present art songs and classical guitar solos ranging from sacred to Latin American in honor of the Feast of the Sacred Heart. Celebrate this important occasion with us!

Includes works of G.F. Handel, Franz Schubert, Manuel M. Ponce and Leo Brouwer

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