



Father Paul's Weekly Email

March 8, 2024

Saturday Masses are now at 5pm.



Must See Movie — Cabrini

PG-13

From Alejandro Monteverde, award-winning director of *Sound of Freedom*, comes the powerful epic of Saint Francesca Cabrini, an Italian immigrant who arrives in New York City in 1889 and is greeted by disease, crime, and impoverished children. Cabrini sets off on a daring mission to convince the hostile mayor to secure housing and healthcare for society's most vulnerable. With broken English and poor health, Cabrini uses her entrepreneurial mind to build an empire of hope unlike anything the world had ever seen.

LINK TO TRAILER

<https://youtu.be/cBCQmrD9jIM?si=y-MQ-iYJp0FE4nRM>

Father Paul and Mary Odin invite you to join them as the 11:55 am showing on Monday March 11 at the Marquis Theaters in South Charleston. For those who care to, we will gather at the nearby Olive Garden to eat and talk about the movie.

Tagline: The world is too small for what I intend to do.

Fast Facts

- Francesca Cabrini was born in northern Italy in 1850. She and six of her Missionary Sisters set off for New York City in 1889.
 - Cabrini had aqua phobia. Cabrini nearly drowned as a child, which spurred her fear of water. However, she overcame it as an adult when she made 23 transatlantic trips to do missionary work around the world
 - Over the course of 34 years she established an astonishing 67 hospitals, orphanages, and schools. Her energy was fueled by an intense focus on serving Jesus in whatever he asked of her and her legacy still stands today.
 - She was canonized in 1946 by Pope Pius XII and became the first American citizen to be named a saint.
-

Phone: Office (304) 744-5523 Cell: (304) 433-7472 Email: pjw424@gmail.com
Parish website <https://www.blessedsacramentwv.org>
Faith in West Virginia <https://faithinwv.org/latest-bulletin/>
This Sunday's Readings <https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/031024-YearB.cfm>
Wednesday Bible Handout <https://blessedsacramentwv.org/download/bible-share-03-17-2023/?wpdmdl=1686&refresh=65eb2b077891d1709910791>
This Sunday's Bulletin <https://blessedsacramentwv.org/download/march-10-2024/?wpdmdl=1688&refresh=65eb2b0762c2b1709910791>

Live, Local, and Late-breaking

On Sunday March 10 at 10:15 - 11:15 am in the Parish Hall, Sue Barazi from the Islamic Center will give a presentation on **THE MEANING** of **RAMADAN** which this year is from March 10 - April 9. Ramadan is sometimes called "Islamic Lent."

CANDY NEEDED that can fit in small plastic eggs for the **EASTER EGG HUNT** on Saturday March 23. Baskets are available in the Gathering Space for your gifts.

Please join us at the **EASTER VIGIL RECEPTION** immediately following the end of the Easter Vigil Service on Saturday, March 30 to help us welcome our three new members to the Communion Table. All parishioners are welcome and encouraged to attend. You are invited to bring a dish to share if you are able. Sign-up sheets are in the gathering space. Please sign up if you are planning to attend so that we can make plans.

POEM

No one can be saved without divine light.
Divine light causes us to begin and to make progress,
and it leads us to the summit of perfection.
Therefore if you want to begin
and to receive this divine light, pray.
If you have begun to make progress and
want this light to be intensified within you, pray.
And if you have reached the summit of perfection,
and want to be super-illuminated so as to remain in that state, pray.
— Saint Angela of Foligno (1248-1309)

MYSTIC MORSEL

A wise old owl sat in an oak.
The more he heard, the less he spoke;
The less he spoke, the more he heard.
Why aren't we all like that wise old bird?
— Nursery Rhyme

CARBONATED GRACE ***

The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic primary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note, and posted on the apple tray, "Take only one. God is watching." Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. One child whispered to another, "Hey, we can take all we want. God is watching the apples."

*** Anne Lamott calls laughter *carbonated grace*