

Chapter Prayer 2020

Loving God
As we continue to discern your
will and
to co-create our future as
Religious Brothers,
we pray that we be free from all
self-interest and fear.
Open us to your ever-present,
creative Spirit
which leads us to see your love in
all things and all people.
Renew in us the charism of our
Founder,
Blessed Edmund Rice,
who saw Christ present and
appealing to him in the poor.
Help us to engage in enriching
conversation
with our Brothers and all people
as we seek to deepen our
response
to the invitation of Jesus
to see everything with the eyes of
faith,
to do nothing but with a view to
You
and to ascribe all to You.
May the Brothers who gather in
Chapter
be faithful to our deepest
aspirations
and at this time of change and
challenge,
give us the courage to say:
'The Lord gave and the Lord has
taken away:
Blessed be the name of the Lord.'
Amen.



On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. And other boats were with him. And a great storm of wind arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care if we perish?" And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Be silent! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. He said, "Why are you afraid? Have you no faith?" And they were filled with awe, and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and sea obey Him?"

Mark 4: 35-41

Congregation Chapter



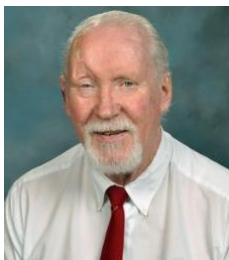
In March 2020, COVID-19 forced the suspension of our Congregation Chapter which had been taking place in Lima, Perú. The Congregation Leadership Team has announced that the Chapter will be reconvened from January 23 - February 5, 2022 at the Emmaus Retreat Centre in Dublin, Ireland. We thank all those Brothers who have participated in the series of international Zooms that have been held across the Congregation these past two years. We ask all who are inspired by the charism of Blessed Edmund Rice to please hold us in prayer as we discern the future of our Congregation. Our Province Delegates to the Congregation Chapter are:

Brother Kevin Griffith (Ex-officio)
Brother Hugo Cáceres (Ex-officio) (LAMA)
Brother Sean Moffett
Brother Peter Zawot
Brother Raymond Vercruysse
Brother Tom Leto
Brother Kevin Cawley
Brother Michael Lynch (LAMA)



Emmaus Retreat Centre, Dublin, Ireland.

Appointments/Announcements



**Br. John
Brennan**

The Province Leadership Team (PLT) has assigned Brother John Brennan to the Catholic Memorial Community in West Roxbury, MA, effective July 1, 2022.



**Community House,
West Roxbury, MA**



**Br. Sebastian
Samp**

The PLT has assigned Brother Sebastian Samp to the Palma Community in Salinas, CA, effective July 1, 2022. Sebastian will be in ministry at Palma School also in Salinas.



Community House, Salinas, CA



Br. Jim Keane

After more than a decade of service in the African Province, Brother Jim Keane will be returning to North America in the near future. The PLT has assigned Jim to the Saint Damien Community in Honolulu, HI effective July 1, 2022.



**Community House,
Honolulu, HI**



Mr. Ron Schutte

Mr. Ron Schutte (President) has appointed Mr. Nicholas Corrado as the new Principal of All Hallows High School in the Bronx, NY, effective January 20, 2022. We thank Susan Natale for her service these past three years in this role and we offer her our prayerful support as she moves on to the Yonkers, NY public school system. Welcome, Nicholas!



Mr. Nicholas Corrado



**All Hallows H.S.,
Bronx, NY**



Ms. Susan Natale



Br. Tom Leto

Brother Tom Leto (President) has appointed Dr. Anthony Casella as the next Principal of the Iona Preparatory School in New Rochelle, NY, effective July 1, 2022. Anthony will replace Mr. Kieran Daly who will be retiring at the end of this school year.



Mr. Kieran Daly



Dr. Anthony Casella



With the official retirement of Connie Barbarotto, Mr. Gabriel Guarente joined the staff of both The Christian Brothers' Institute and the Office of Educational Services. Gabriel will serve as an administrative assistant in both of these areas. Welcome, Gabriel.



**Mr. Gabriel
Guarente**



**260 Wilmot Road
New Rochelle, NY**

Below are photos from the New Rochelle Business Office Christmas luncheon where Connie Barbarotto was recognized for her thirteen years of service to the Province.



**Br. Kevin Griffith and
Mrs. Connie Barbarotto**



**Mr. Gabriel Guarente, Mrs. Connie
Barbarotto, & Br. Sean Moffett**



**Mrs. Rosa Aliberti and
Mrs. Connie Barbarotto**



**Br. Kevin Griffith presenting
Mrs. Connie Barbarotto with the
Blessed Edmund Rice 25th
Anniversary Beatification
Medallion**

Latin America Mission Area News

Edmundo Rice
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PRESENCIA COMPASIÓN LIBERACIÓN



Acompañando a niños, niñas y adolescentes
trabajadores desde 2009



**Sandra Caiguara
Condori**

Attached, please find a letter from Sandra Caiguara Condori (Director of Centro Hermano Manolo in Cochabamba, Bolivia) expressing gratitude to the Edmund Rice Christian Brothers North America Province for its support of CEHM. Below are photos from the center.



Pilgrims in Peru



Attached please find information regarding the Province's 2022 Pilgrims in Peru Program in conjunction with the Office of Educational Services and the Latin America Mission Area. The deadline for application is February 11, 2022.

Laudato Si'



As the Congregation continues to prepare for the resumption of the Congregation Chapter in Dublin, Ireland, a Congregational committee has been meeting to determine how the Congregation can best respond to Pope Francis' call for Religious and local and educational communities to take action with regards to the ever-growing challenges of the climate crisis. Dr. Sean D'Alfonso (Province Advocacy Coordinator) and Brother Kevin Cawley (Edmund Rice International) represent the Province on this committee. The below link is to the Laudato Si' Action Platform Website. It contains details about the platform and offers related resources.



**Br. Kevin
Cawley**

<https://laudatosiactionplatform.org/>



**Dr. Sean D'Alfonso
Province Advocacy
Coordinator**

Catholic Schools Week 2022



The Church in the United States will celebrate Catholic Schools Week January 30 – February 5, 2022. This annual celebration reminds us of the remarkable accomplishments of our Catholic schools beginning with pioneers such as St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and St. John Neumann, whose feast days were celebrated earlier this month. This year's theme, **Faith, Excellence, Service**, is reflected in the *Essential Elements of an Edmund Rice Christian Brother Education*, the document, guiding the schools in the Consortium of Edmund Rice Schools. We reach out in gratitude to the dedicated lay women and men, religious and clergy for their commitment to providing a rich, faith-filled Catholic education to our young people today, and to their parents for choosing, sometimes at great sacrifice, a caring Catholic environment for the education of their sons and daughters.

Attachments

1. Letter from Centro Hermano Manolo in Cochabamba, Bolivia
2. Information regarding Pilgrims in Perú

Calendar of Events



January 23 - February 05, 2022	Congregation Chapter in Dublin, Ireland
January 30 - February 05, 2022	Catholic Schools Week (USA)
February 02, 2022	Consecrated Life Day
February 05, 2022	Archdiocese of Newark, NJ Consecrated Life Day Liturgy at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart
February 06, 2022	Black History Mass - Archdiocese of New York
February 14, 16 - 18, 2022	PLT Meetings in Elizabeth, NJ
February 19, 2022	Welcome Ceremony for Residential Candidate
	Martín Loayza in Lima, Perú.
March 03, 2022	CMSM Region 2 Meeting at Maryknoll in Ossining, NY
March 04, 2022	Westcourt Corporation Meeting – Chicago, IL
March 05, 2022	Initial Formation Reflection (ZOOM)
March 12, 2022	Student Leadership ACTION Team Meeting in Chicago, IL
March 14, 2022	Child Protection Review Board Meeting in New Rochelle, NY

Please Pray For

- All those who continue to be affected by COVID-19 and its variants.
- Brother Chuck McKenna, (Chicago)
- Brother Liguori May (Chicago) (Now in Hospice Care)
- Brother Bill Flood (Vancouver), recovering from knee surgery.
- Brother Matt Walderman, (Mt. Vernon) recovering from a spinal infection.
- Brother Alan Ralph (Vancouver)
- Brother Harold Thorne (Ontario)
- Brother Paul Dilleuth (New Rochelle)
- Brother Bob Moran (East Harlem)
- Mr. Bill Norton, retired teacher and coach at Brother Rice H.S. (Bloomfield Hills, MI)
- Max Lyman, Catholic Memorial School '21 in West Roxbury, MA, paralyzed by a spinal cord injury.
- Judy Rice, wife of Edmundian Tom (Kenneth '59) Rice suffering from breast and lung cancer.
- Edmundian Peter (Raymond '49) Johnson recovering from a broken hip.



Special Request

Mr. John Boyle (Iona Prep '83) is the nephew of deceased Brother Ben Boyle. John suffers from a kidney disease called Polycystic Kidney Disease. The disease is genetic and has progressed to the point where John will soon need to go on dialysis to survive. At present John serves as the primary caregiver for his wife who has Multiple Sclerosis. He is on a quest to find a living donor willing to donate a kidney to him so that he can avoid dialysis, further deterioration of his kidney and continue to look after his wife. John can receive a kidney from anyone under the age of seventy who is in good health and would be willing to donate on his behalf to the matching kidney program. John's blood type is O Positive. For further information John can be reached at jbeester1@aol.com or 914-714-8751. Let us hold John and his wife in prayer at this time.

Repose of the Soul of

- + Brother Anthony "Buddy" Bechner, (New Rochelle).
- + Brother Andy Rose (Vancouver).
- + Brother Ed Pigott (New Rochelle).
- + Terry Bernard, the brother of Brother Kevin Bernard (Comunidad de Canto Grande, Lima, Perú).
- + David Smith, the brother-in-law of Brother John Holden (Kabwe, Zambia).
- + Mary Garbaczewski, Aunt of Brother Tim Smyth (CB Harlem Community).
- + Sr. Corrine Raven, RSM, past Principal of Mother McAuley H.S. in Chicago.
- + Janet Barham, past teacher and vice-principal of St. Laurence H.S. in Burbank, IL.
- + Barry Shaw, Dean of Students at St. Laurence HS, Burbank, IL.
- + Edmundian Jim (Martin '60) Walls.
- + Rhonda Nixon, sister of Doreen Nixon (Head Nurse at St. Joseph's Residence in New Rochelle).
- + Joan Hundt, mother of Archbishop Peter Hundt, Archbishop of St. John's, Newfoundland



