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*Left: Maryknoll Society founders Bishop James A. Walsh (top)  
and Father Thomas F. Price (Maryknoll Mission Archives)  
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# A MESSAGE FROM OUR SUPERIOR GENERAL

*"Our work is our faith in action."*

As I think about the past year in mission, and simultaneously reflect upon my 40-plus years with Maryknoll, I find that I repeatedly ask the same questions.

- Why is there famine in a world of plenty?
- How can people be cruel to others?
- Why are some people shielded from God's messages of love?

We never can answer these questions to our satisfaction, because we are unable to see into another person's mind, his heart, or her soul. Without answers, though, we sometimes become frustrated. This is just human nature. But, as Catholic missionary disciples, we never should cease to ask these and other probing questions as we fulfill God's mission on earth.

As I ponder my questions, I also rejoice in our accomplishments. I think about Maryknoll missionaries who tirelessly locate food for the hungry in Africa. I hear about our priests and brothers who live, walk and suffer with the poor in Latin America. My thoughts embrace the missionaries who must negotiate a fine line as they convey God's love in China and in other countries that will

not permit people to freely acknowledge his presence.

While many of us are over there in mission, other Maryknoll priests and brothers are here in mission with you. We are in your diocese, your parish and your community. We are teaching the faithful about their call to mission. Our initiatives engage youth through our *Discover Your Neighbor* school program. We regularly reach out to Hispanic church members who are living their faith. We encourage teachers and youth leaders to help us spread the Good News.

Maryknoll reaches out to the hungry. We serve those who have been shunned or hurt. We share the Gospel with anyone willing to listen, or permitted to listen. With your prayers and with your gifts to Maryknoll, we continue to impact communities and people around the world.

We are blessed every day for our mutual commitment to God and to the people we support in mission. Our work is our faith in action.

Thankfully in Christ,

*Rev Raymond J. Finch, M.M.*

REVEREND RAYMOND J. FINCH, M.M.

## WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE ARE CHALLENGED TO BECOME

As joyful missionary disciples of Jesus the Christ motivated by love and challenged by the Gospel, we reach across borders, geographical and situational, and build bridges of solidarity among the poor and marginalized that reflect God's merciful love and compassion in the context of a constantly evolving universe.

*Maryknoll Society Mission Vision*



V. Concha-Nunez/U.S.

OUR MISSIONERS SHARE THE GOOD NEWS OF CHRIST'S MESSAGE OF HOPE IN GLOBAL SOLIDARITY WITH THE POOR AND MARGINALIZED.



**F**ollowing in the footsteps of our founders and of Pope Francis, the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers are missionary disciples of Jesus who work to spread the love of God to all of our brothers and sisters throughout Asia, Africa and Latin America, and in the United States. With the prayerful support of our faithful and devoted benefactors, our missionaries share the Good News of Christ's message of hope in global solidarity with the poor and marginalized and with all people through our many apostolic ministries.

## HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL WELFARE

Ministering to families and communities devastated by the AIDS pandemic and other diseases; providing medicine, shelter, protection, food, clean water and rehabilitation to children and families.

## YOUTH & ADULT FORMATION

Supporting and strengthening the faith of future generations through educational and catechetical training programs, helping local churches to identify and form leaders, and providing them with the necessary tools and resources.

## EVANGELIZATION, RELIGIOUS EDUCATION, VOCATIONAL TRAINING

Strengthening faith communities, developing resources to share God's mission of spreading the Good News and ongoing theological formation/training for current and future Society members.

## HUMAN RIGHTS

Providing humanitarian relief to refugees who have fled oppression; defending women and children; protecting the basic, inalienable rights of all people globally.

## COMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY

Promoting interreligious dialogue through grassroots community development and peacemaking programs.

## CONSTRUCTION

Providing basic necessities for the poor by building places of worship and educational enrichment, wells and homes.

## SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Supporting small indigenous communities with agricultural assistance and preserving the natural resources of land and water in response to Pope Francis' *Laudato Si'*.

"TO BE CHRISTIAN IS TO BE MISSIONARY."

– POPE FRANCIS



## OUR SPIRITUAL HERITAGE

We develop and nurture a spirituality grounded in the mission of Jesus in dialogue with the poor and peoples of diverse religious traditions. Acknowledging our limitations, we are sustained through community, mutual support, and life-long intellectual and spiritual formation. We foster this spiritual heritage by creating a culture of vocational promotion and discernment, along with a mission-focused pastoral formation that stresses language learning and acculturation for our younger members.

*Maryknoll Society Mission Vision*

“It is my intention,” proclaimed Pope Francis not too long ago, “to promote an extraordinary missionary month in October 2019 with the goal of increasing the passion for the church’s evangelizing activity *ad gentes*.” This Latin phrase translates as “to the nations” and it describes missionary activity focused on people who still have not heard the Gospel.

Throughout our history, Maryknoll has been graced with this passion. More than 2,000 priests and brothers have forged mission trails in Africa, Asia and Latin America, and also in the United States.

Historically, we only accepted men from the United States and Canada to become Maryknoll missionaries. However, two years ago we began our newest initiative of welcoming young men from our mission countries. These men know us well and have

expressed the desire to join us as priests and brothers. They share our passion!

We also recognize that all men and women of faith are called to participate in God’s mission. So, for the past 15 years, we have welcomed those who wish to serve with us as short-term volunteers from eight weeks to one year, or to join us on one-week and two-week group immersion trips.

Welcoming people to join Maryknoll in serving God’s mission throughout the world is a ministry that engages us all, including you, our cherished partners in mission. Let us place ourselves in union with Pope Francis who tells us over and over again, “To be Christian is to be missionary.”

**FATHER MICHAEL J. SNYDER, M.M.  
DIRECTOR OF VOCATIONS**

## DANIEL KIM AND PETER LATOUF ORDAINED BY THE MARYKNOLL SOCIETY

**F**ather Daniel Siwoo Kim, M.M., and Father Peter Latouf, M.M., were ordained on Saturday, May 20, at the Maryknoll Society Center in Ossining, New York. The Mass of Ordination at Maryknoll's Our Lady Queen of Apostles Chapel was celebrated by His Excellency Bishop Frank Joseph Caggiano of the Diocese of Bridgeport in Connecticut. Maryknoll

candidates to the world as Maryknoll missionaries. Both priests have started their service in mission in Hong Kong.

Father Kim of Cerritos, California, and the Diocese of Orange, entered Maryknoll after graduation with a bachelor's degree in philosophy from California State University at Long Beach. He also earned a master of

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## FATHER DANIEL SIWOO KIM, M.M., AND FATHER PETER LATOUF, M.M., WERE ORDAINED ON SATURDAY, MAY 20, AT THE MARYKNOLL SOCIETY CENTER.

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Superior General Father Raymond J. Finch, M.M., was a concelebrant along with more than 50 priests from the Maryknoll Society and other religious organizations.

Later that day, Father Kim and Father Latouf received their missionary crucifixes at the Maryknoll Sending Ceremony that presents

divinity degree from the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago.

"My vocation to Maryknoll began during a summer 2005 pilgrimage to Europe," recalled Father Kim. "One of the first visits of the trip was at Taizé, France, and during my first day there, the founder of the Taizé





O. Duran/U.S.

Father Peter Latouf, M.M., (left) and Father Daniel Siwoo Kim, M.M.

Ecumenical Community was killed by a deranged woman right before my eyes. Needless to say, this had a lasting impact on my perspective of life and death, triggering a strong desire to search beyond the worldly things of this life. Soon after, I met a Maryknoll priest and became interested in mission service."

Father Latouf of Detroit, Michigan, and the Archdiocese of Detroit, was baptized in the Maronite Catholic Church, and he continues to maintain connections with the Maronites. While he received an indult, or dispensation, from the Maronite Church to be ordained in the Roman (Latin Rite) Catholic Church, Father Latouf hopes to seek the option to become a bi-ritual priest. He is a graduate of Wayne State University in Detroit, with a bachelor's degree in psychology and Asian

studies. He earned a master's degree in educational psychology from Wayne State University and a master of divinity degree specializing in world missions from the Catholic Theological Union.

"My vocation to Maryknoll began with a college trip to China in the summer of 2004," said Father Latouf. "My university offered a summer teaching opportunity in northeastern China that I thoroughly enjoyed. After returning, I decided to study Mandarin Chinese for three semesters, which I further improved upon during my two years of overseas training."

Father Latouf contacted Maryknoll through the recommendation of a diocesan vocation director to whom he expressed an interest in the missionary priesthood.

# AFRICA



In the Maryknoll Society's Africa Region, some countries have witnessed another year with food crises.

Much of our work here involves locating food, transporting it to those in need, and improving water resources.

Father John Barth, M.M., frequently travels over the Uganda border from South Sudan to purchase basic food supplies. Father Lance Nadeau, M.M., has established emergency relief missions at parishes in Kenya.

Besides helping to provide the basic necessities of life, our ministries in Africa include peace-building efforts, AIDS relief programs, and a blindness prevention and rehabilitation eye clinic. We also assist students with learning limitations and form catechists to effectively spread the Word of God.

Our efforts are made possible by you. The assistance you provide helps us accomplish so much for tens of thousands of people. Your prayers, too, are heard and shared with everyone we support in our ministries.

**FATHER JOHN WALDREP, M.M.  
AFRICA REGIONAL SUPERIOR**



## **COUNTRIES IN MISSION:**

KENYA: 1946

SOUTH SUDAN: 2011

TANZANIA: 1946

## **ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY MARYKNOLL**

### **KENYA: ST. TERESA ASUMBI CATHOLIC PARISH**

- PEOPLE ASSISTED, SEPT-NOV 2017: 3,600

#### ITEMS PURCHASED

- BEANS: 30 SACKS
- MAIZE: 70 SACKS
- RICE: 30 SACKS
- OTHER FOODSTUFFS INCLUDE SUGAR AND COOKING OIL

### **KENYA: ST. CHARLES LWANGA CATHOLIC CHURCH**

- PEOPLE ASSISTED SEPT-OCT 2017: 1,000

#### ITEMS PURCHASED

- BEANS: 40 SACKS
- MAIZE: 60 SACKS

Along the east coast of Africa and into the southern part of the continent, more than one dozen countries face food crises. The causes are several, including environmental challenges during a multi-year drought, political violence in the struggle for control and economic instability with rising prices for a precious commodity.

Millions of people are hungry, malnourished, or starving. Children are the most affected, with students leaving school as families move to

cooking oil—for students and for distribution to the neediest in our parish," said Father Barth. He added that the South Sudanese continue to enter Uganda, fleeing their country where "there is less and less food, with the 500 percent inflation making what little food is available just too expensive."

The food obtained by Father Barth feeds several communities, including St. Teresa Asumbi Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Homa Bay in Kisumu, Kenya. Until the World Food Programme became engaged, Maryknoll also was feeding patients, including infants suffering

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locate food and live in a safer region. In South Sudan and Kenya, the circumstances have been exacerbated by ethnic conflict.

Father John Barth, M.M., of the Diocese of Buffalo, purchases and distributes food supplies in South Sudan. He also overseas projects to improve water resources, and he recently purchased a new tractor for a local parish to increase food production.

"I cross the Uganda border every few weeks to buy emergency food relief—maize, beans, salt,

from malnutrition, in a mission hospital.

Father Lance Nadeau, M.M., of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, has been addressing similar issues for the people in the Turkana area of Kenya. This includes an emergency mission at Our Lady Queen of Peace Todonyang Parish in Lodwar and St. Charles Lwanga Catholic Church-Chekalini in Webuye. The drought has escalated conflicts between rival ethnic groups over water and grazing land.



Father John Barth, M.M./South Sudan

Top: Father John Barth, M.M., in South Sudan. Bottom: Father Lance Nadeau, M.M., in Kenya.



Father Lance Nadeau, M.M./Kenya

"We need funds to buy more food to reach out to more people who hardly have anything to eat," said Father Nadeau, who added that prayers also are needed "to strengthen those in dire need of support."

Besides food, Father Nadeau provides farmers with a hybrid seed that produces higher yields. Looking ahead, he wants to build more wells and dams that will provide fresh water for people and their livestock.

# ASIA





Most 100 years since our first mission in China, the Maryknoll Asia Region continues to serve the missionary needs of people in 12 different countries. We are involved in diverse ministries, including parishes, prisons, hospitals, seminaries, social communications, special education, emergency relief, development projects, mental health programs, migrant ministry, environmental and ecology work, human trafficking and interreligious dialogue.

Throughout Asia, four of our youngest Maryknoll missionaries – Father Shaun Crumb, M.M., Father Rodrigo Ulloa–Chavarry, M.M., Father Peter Latouf, M.M., and Father Daniel Kim, M.M., – work closely with local churches to help “build” parishes in a variety of ways. Our support in parishes, seminaries and lay leadership programs is focused on making these organizations self-reliant. Our work in development is focused on the poorest of the poor. We venture out to the peripheries of society to help those most in need of material and spiritual support.

We continue to give thanks to our generous benefactors who make our work in Asia possible!

**FATHER BRIAN BARRONS, M.M.  
ASIA REGIONAL SUPERIOR**



**COUNTRIES IN MISSION:**

- BANGLADESH: 1975
- CAMBODIA: 1989
- CHINA: 1918
- INDONESIA: 1973
- JAPAN: 1933
- S. KOREA: 1923
- MYANMAR: 2010
- NEPAL: 1977
- PHILIPPINES: 1926
- TAIWAN: 1950
- THAILAND: 1982
- VIETNAM: 1993

**FATHER RODRIGO  
ULLOA-CHAVARRY: 2017**

**BIBLE GROUPS:** 14 – EIGHT IN CHANGCHUN AND SIX IN DALIAN

**MARRIAGE COUNSELLING:** THREE COUPLES

**FORMATION WORKSHOPS & SEMINARS:**  
ONLINE: 20 STUDENTS  
LOCAL WORKSHOPS: 12 STUDENTS

**STUDENTS SUPPORTED WITH MEALS & TRAVEL:** 20 PER MONTH

**FATHER SHAUN CRUMB: 2017**

**VOLUNTEER DISCUSSIONS:** 150 COLLEGE STUDENTS

**FAITH FORMATION:** 100 YOUNG ADULTS THROUGH TAIZÉ PRAYER

**MISSION EDUCATION:** ABOUT 100 PEOPLE IN THREE PARISHES LEARN MORE ABOUT MISSION THROUGH SUNDAY HOMILIES

**RETREAT:** 50 YOUTH PARTICIPANTS



According to Father Shaun Crumb, M.M., mission is an adventure with God into a new world. He journeyed into mission as a Maryknoll priest soon after his 2015 ordination. Now, he is working with Chinese

program has trained more than 130 leaders of the Catholic Church in China over the past 26 years.

"Jesus taught by example," according to Father Crumb. "Christ walks with me on

**"IN MISSION WE BLESS, WE ACCOMPANY,  
WE DANCE, WE LAUGH, WE CRY, WE LAMENT,  
WE LIVE, WE DOUBT, WE FORGIVE, WE WRITE,  
WE PRAY AND WE HOPE."**

college students and encouraging them to use their gifts to help others in need.

Father Crumb, from the Diocese of St. Cloud in Minnesota, is teaching students at a university in Shenyang, China, about volunteerism and service in their local communities. He also is working with young adults at a local parish, providing faith formation and education for mission.

Father Crumb reconnects with local priests and sisters who returned to China following graduation from the Maryknoll China Educators and Formators Project. This U.S.

this mission adventure and provides people along the way who act as Christ by lending a hand. I'm amazed at how the Holy Spirit provides someone to help and allows us to communicate even though we may not speak the same language."

For Father Rodrigo Ulloa-Chavarry, M.M., of the Diocese of Rapid City in South Dakota, mission is about God's music. He creates the harmonious sounds with a flute that he enjoyed as a young boy in Guatemala and a guitar that he learned to play during his years as a seminarian in Chicago.





Father Sean Crumb, M.M./China

Top: Father Sean Crumb, M.M. Bottom: Father Rodrigo Ulloa-Chavarry, M.M.



S. Sprague/Cambodia

One of Father Ulloa's satisfactions in mission is to bring people to Jesus, and he already has accomplished this in his few years in China following his 2011 ordination. His ministry has embraced bible groups, marriage counselling, formation workshops and seminars, and teaching community life skills in the cities of Shenyang, Changchun and Dalian. He is working in many dioceses

that were associated with Maryknoll in the past, and he also is helping support poor students with meals and travel. "In mission we bless, we accompany, we dance, we laugh, we cry, we lament, we live, we doubt, we forgive, we write, we pray and we hope," said Father Ulloa. "We hope that our faith will continue to inspire us to bring the sound of mission to other parts of the world."

# LATIN AMERICA



Here in the Maryknoll Society's Latin America Region, our initiatives support many people who face a variety of life's daily challenges. We provide safe living accommodations for girls who have suffered from sexual violence and trafficking, offer workshops that support prison ministries, oversee tutoring for children who are unable to attend school, and provide pastoral and medical support to HIV patients.

For years, Father Kyungsu Son, M.M., has been supporting a teaching center for blind adults in Peru. Meanwhile, in Chile, Brother John Nitsch, M.M., has helped a parish operate a soup kitchen and also provide students with assistance as they complete their education and aspire to rewarding careers.

Our ministries throughout the region continue to impact positively the lives of so many people—babies, youth, young couples and the elderly. With your involvement, we are making a difference by placing food on the table, offering medical relief and helping people who need to recover before they can fulfill their lives as they journey with Jesus.

We thank you for your support, your prayers and your love.

**FATHER JOSEPH FEDORA, M.M.  
LATIN AMERICA REGIONAL SUPERIOR**



### **COUNTRIES IN MISSION:**

BOLIVIA: 1942      GUATEMALA: 1943  
BRAZIL: 1975      HONDURAS: 1981  
CHILE: 1943      PERU: 1943  
EL SALVADOR: 1960

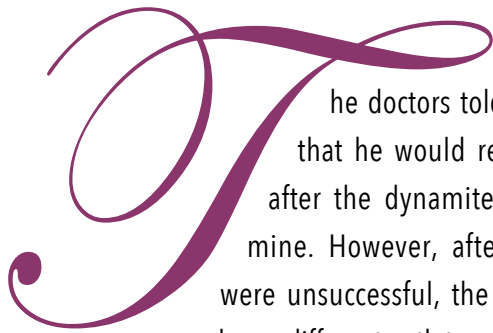
### **ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY MARYKNOLL:**

#### **PERU: CASA BARTIMEO**

- PEOPLE ASSISTED WITH MASSAGE TRAINING
- MASSAGE THERAPY TO INMATES AT SAN JORGE PRISON FOR MEN
- MASSOTHERAPY TREATMENTS PROVIDED TO INMATES TWICE A YEAR AT LIMA'S MAXIMUM SECURITY PRISON FOR 300 WOMEN

#### **CHILE: CRISTO RESUCITADO**

- RETREATS FOR PASTORAL AGENTS
- ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN
- ASSISTANCE FOR UNIVERSITY STUDENTS
- ASSISTANCE FOR PARISH SOUP KITCHEN



he doctors told Grimaldo Zapata that he would regain his eyesight after the dynamite explosion in the mine. However, after many surgeries were unsuccessful, the miner decided to explore a different path to rebuild his life. Peruvians with visual impairments often lack prospects for jobs. Part of the problem is attributed to the lack of preparation by the society to provide opportunities for people with various health limitations. Grimaldo's

Bartimaeus who clamors for Jesus and is healed because of his faith. "After 40 years in Peru, I am still deepening my faith while serving the blind," said Father Son. "What can I do? Just lend them my eyes." In Chile, at the Parish of Cristo Resucitado in Curico, Brother John Nitsch, M.M., of the Archdiocese of Baltimore, helps many poor or lower middle-class families find temporary work in the fruit orchards and packing plants. They work about six months a year and earn about

## WITH THE SUPPORT OF FATHER KYUNGSU SON, M.M. ... GRIMALDO OPENED A TEACHING CENTER FOR BLIND MASSEURS.

long journey to stabilize his life led him to a new income-producing career, providing shiatsu, or finger pressure, massage. He is more independent now and he can support his family. He also advocates for people with visual limitations. With the support of Father Kyungsu Son, M.M., who is from the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, Grimaldo opened a teaching center for blind masseurs. Casa Bartimeo is named for the blind

\$450 per month. With the support of Brother John, the parish operates a soup kitchen that provides lunch to about 150 people six days each week. Several students receive assistance as they finish their studies and pursue careers in social work, health care and teaching. Retreats and other programs successfully engage various parish groups and people of all ages.






N. Sprague/Peru

**COLLABORATION AND PARTNERSHIP** We collaborate with members of the different expressions of the Maryknoll Family, other missionary communities, and local Churches as well as develop networks of partnerships with groups in civil society. We work together to bring about holistic, spiritual, personal, and social transformations locally and globally. *Maryknoll Society Mission Vision*



S. Sprague/Bolivia

## A FILM ABOUT HIS LIFE DEBUTS AS CAUSE FOR CANONIZATION CONTINUES.

 On September 4, 1967, Father Vincent R. Capodanno, M.M., lost his life in Vietnam. Killed in action at the age of 38 near the village of Dong Son, he was posthumously awarded, among other citations, the Navy Bronze Star medal, the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Silver Star, the Purple Heart Medal and the Medal of Honor for heroic actions above and beyond the call of duty.

From Staten Island, New York, the Maryknoll missionary served in Taiwan and Hong Kong. At the time of his death, he was a United States Navy chaplain serving with the United States Marines. During September 2017, the 50th commemoration of Father Capodanno's death, an award-winning film about his life premiered on The Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN).

*Called and Chosen - Father Vincent R. Capodanno* was produced by James Kely in collaboration with EWTN and the Father Vincent Capodanno Guild, which is overseeing the canonization process for the Maryknoll priest.

Courtesy of EWTN



CALLER  
AND  
CHOSER  
FR. VINCENT R. CAPODANNO

## HUMANITARIAN MISSION WORK IN NORTH KOREA RECOGNIZED BY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

Father Gerard Hammond, M.M., received the highest honor bestowed by the Knights of Columbus for his service to the sick in North Korea (the Democratic People's Republic of North Korea) and for his selfless bravery in carrying out his ministry. *The Gaudium et Spes* Award has been offered only during special circumstances and only to individuals of exceptional merit.

Father Hammond, a native of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and a Maryknoll missionary since 1960, was honored as the 12th recipient of the award presented during the Knights' August 2017 international convention in St. Louis.

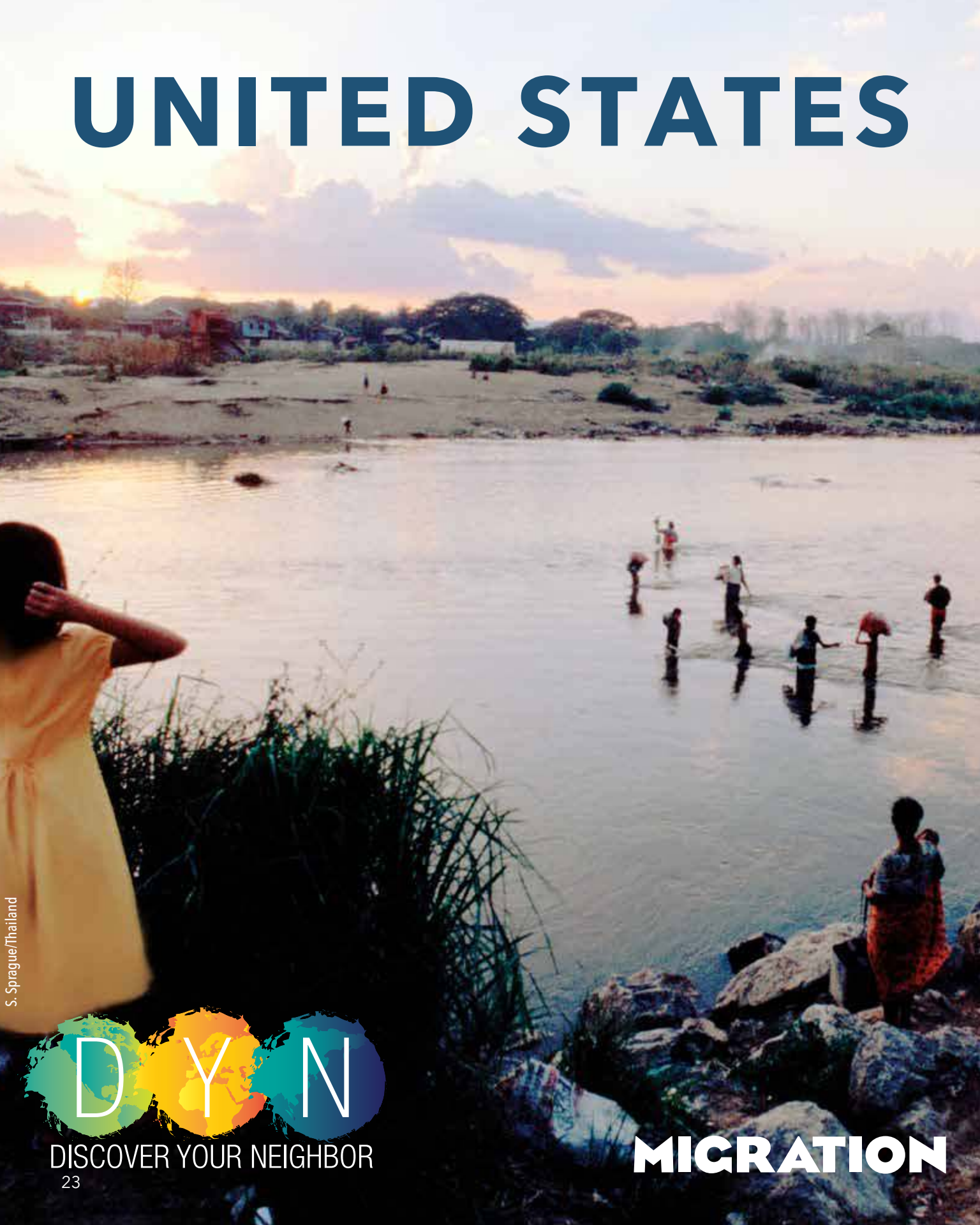
Father Hammond entered North Korea for the first time during 1995. He has made more than 50 trips across the demilitarized zone and his visits

have continued during the recent tension between that country and the rest of the world. The opportunity for Father Hammond to minister in North Korea has been facilitated by the Eugene Bell Foundation, a U.S.-based Christian organization that sponsors programs, projects and exchanges of a humanitarian nature with a focus on medicines and treatment of multidrug-resistant tuberculosis.

Courtesy of Knights of Columbus



# UNITED STATES



S. Sprague/Thailand



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**MIGRATION**



*H*ere in the United States, we are doing all we can to educate and accompany Catholics in their missionary callings that were accepted at baptism.

Our efforts over the years continue to expand and include more grade and high school students, more millennials and more older adults as we seek opportunities for formation for missionary ministry in the U.S. and around the world. Our members engage many dioceses across the country.

The Archdiocese of Seattle Missionary Discipleship Institute, which was started by Maryknoll, opens the door for seventh-grade students to encounter their neighbors and generate awareness of the injustices they might face. We are listening to millennials as they make decisions about their faith, based on social consciousness and global awareness. We continue to embrace permanent deacons, Hispanic Catholics, teachers and catechists, and youth/young adults with formation programs.

We welcome everyone—Catholics who focus on their faith, others who are searching to determine where they fit in our church, and those of other faiths and beliefs who wish to experience mission service as a way to contribute to our world.

**FATHER KEVIN HANLON, M.M.  
UNITED STATES REGIONAL SUPERIOR**



## **MARYKNOLL'S ENGAGEMENT GROWS WITH U.S. DIOCESES**

The Maryknoll initiatives featured on these pages, and additional programs under the direction of the Maryknoll Church Engagement Division, engage dioceses throughout the country. Our initiatives that support communities of missionary disciples can be found in the following dioceses and, increasingly, in many other U.S. dioceses.

### **EAST**

Diocese of Brooklyn  
Diocese of Buffalo  
Archdiocese of Newark  
Archdiocese of New York  
Diocese of Orlando

### **CENTRAL**

Archdiocese of Chicago  
Diocese of Gary  
Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston  
Diocese of Joliet  
Archdiocese of San Antonio

### **WEST**

Diocese of Portland  
Archdiocese of Seattle  
Diocese of San Jose

# CREATING PROGRAMS TO DEEPEN OUR FAITH

The Church Engagement Division is one of three divisions within the Maryknoll Society's U.S. Mission Education Apostolate.

We engage the Catholic Church in the U.S. in mission at the local level to live out its baptismal missionary vocation. We foster a culture of mission and support communities of missionary disciples, primarily through cultivation/relationship building, mission education (formation and immersion), fostering the missionary vocation (in general and specifically to Maryknoll) and supporting Maryknoll's donor engagement efforts. We work closely with four target audience groups: Youth and young adults, the Hispanic Catholic community in the U.S., permanent deacon mission partners and teachers/catechists. We identify individuals within these target groups who are emerging leaders within the Catholic Church in the U.S. and we assist them as they gradually realize God's mission. The Third Wave of Mission Institute serves these audiences and others as well.

## **Youth and Young Adults:**

The Missionary Discipleship Institute in Seattle is for seventh-grade students who wish to encounter their neighbors on the margins of society. They reflect upon the church's response in love. In turn, they discern, develop and carry out a missionary service response within and outside of their religion classes. At the Archdiocese of Seattle (photo opposite, left), curriculum has included assisting a refugee family and educating the community about global climate changes. As for the millennial generation (ages 22–35), it is not finding a home in Catholic Church pews. But, it is socially conscious and globally aware in many ways. Our authentic mission coupled with their willingness to be transformed presents a faith witness not often offered to this generation. Listening sessions with young adults (photo opposite, right), are helping us create a program that offers a connection to the greater world through the deep support structure of faith.



### **Discipulos Misioneros Maryknoll:**

Spanish and English resources are presented through workshops, mission education weekend programs, parish missions and retreats. Maryknoll mission educators empower and support Hispanic leaders to become front-line mission animators grounded in global mission and solidarity. Our team in the Los Angeles area has focused on providing formation for Hispanic catechists, and this success has been replicated in other dioceses.

### **Deacon Mission Partners:**

Our team works with diocesan deacon directors and individual deacons to build a missionary awareness and competency within the diaconate. Our goal is to provide



a strong and vibrant connection between the missionary activities of the diaconate and those of Maryknoll.

### **Teacher/Catechist Outreach:**

Maryknoll is focused on reaching Catholic teachers and catechists in specific dioceses in each of our three U.S. regions. We integrate Maryknoll formation for mission, immersion methodology and curriculum materials into the tools used by teachers and catechists. This includes our new online *Discover Your Neighbor* program that delivers mission-centered learning for global-minded educators who want to guide their students toward making a difference in their world.

# IN GRATITUDE TO OUR PARTNERS IN MISSION



M. Kellogg/U.S.

Partners in Mission Matthew and Katherine with Father Russ Feldmeier, M.M., and Sister Maura Cho, OLPH.

The Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers remain ever grateful to our partners in mission, our benefactors, whose prayers and support strengthen us as we continue Christ's saving work. For more than 100 years, we have together shared the work of the Gospel. Every gift, large or small, makes a difference in the lives of the people we serve throughout Asia, Africa and Latin America as well as in the Catholic Church in the U.S. by empowering communities of missionary disciples to go forth in joy to share the Good News of God's love.

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"TO OUR BELOVED CHILDREN, THE BENEFACTORS OF THE MARYKNOLL MISSIONERS, WE LOVINGLY IMPART AS PROOF OF OUR INTEREST AND GOODWILL, OUR APOSTOLIC BLESSING."

– Pope St. Pius X, June 30, 1911  
Maryknoll Society Foundation Day

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Creating a Legacy of Hope.

Because your vision and faith in God led you to support our Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers with a charitable gift, such as a Bequest or Gift Annuity, you have enabled us to both plan for the future and to further a mission of compassion and humble service to the world's poor motivated by the Gospel.

In response to your loyalty and generosity to the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers, we joyfully acknowledge and honor your commitment to creating a legacy of hope for the people we serve by including you in our Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers Legacy Society. This will offer regular opportunities for us to express our thanks to you, and create more avenues for you to be inspired by the missionary work of our priests and brothers in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the United States.

"MAY THE VIRGIN MARY HELP US REALIZE THAT WE ARE ALL MISSIONARIES, ALL SENT BY THE LORD TO BE HIS WITNESSES IN EVERY MOMENT OF OUR LIFE." – *Pope Benedict XVI, Pentecost 2007*



Our Lady of Maryknoll

## LARGEST ESTATES OF 2017

Estate of Eileen M. Bergerson  
 Estate of Mary Damiani  
 Estate of Marie Ann Erickson  
 Estate of James P. Keane  
 Estate of Rosemary LaFollette

Estate of Mary Latour  
 Estate of Anne N. Lea  
 Estate of Grace Riddett  
 Estate of Richard Weidert  
 Estate of Richard Whalen



The year provided Maryknoll with several wonderful opportunities to share our mission experiences with Catholics and with people from all faiths from across the United States.

### June 2017 – Guatemala

Six participants included three school teachers, a parish youth and social outreach minister, and a deacon couple exploring lay missionary work. The group visited the sites of martyrdom of Archbishop Oscar Romero, Bishop Juan José Gerardi Conedera and Blessed Father Stanley Rother along with several schools and programs started or administered by Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers and Maryknoll Affiliates.

### July 2017 – El Paso, Texas/Juarez, Mexico

Eight participants included school teachers, a youth minister, a parish immigration committee leader and a teacher/catechist team leader. The group visited the Annunciation House Migrant Shelter and met with a Maryknoll Sister who serves undocumented families. Additional visits included gatherings with undocumented families, youth at the

Columban-supported center in Juarez, a medical clinic, the Diocese of El Paso Immigration Services, the border fence, border patrol and the Border Patrol Museum.

### December 2017 – U.S./Mexico Border

In collaboration with the Columban Missioners, Deacon John Coe and Deacon Paul Bork of Maryknoll led 17 participants as they focused on immigration border issues, detention of immigrants and the struggles of farmworkers who seek a living wage and decent working conditions.

The group visited Juarez on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Later, the participants cooked dinner for immigrants and their children. They also visited immigration shelters staffed by volunteers with hearts full of compassion and mercy. Meetings were held with U.S. border patrol agents to listen to their perspectives about the situation along the southern U.S. border. The group then attended a rally at the border fence as Bishop Mark Seitz of the Diocese of El Paso spoke in support of justice for all.

**TO LEARN MORE, VISIT: [MaryknollSociety.org/mission-trips](http://MaryknollSociety.org/mission-trips)**

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## SHARING THE MARYKNOLL SPIRIT WITH OTHERS

In the spirit of "generativity" on every level, we facilitate and enable others in all local Churches, including the U.S. Church, to carry out their missionary call and to pass on the Maryknoll tradition, charism and passion for mission. Sensitive to changing contexts, we are open to the ongoing renewal of the Holy Spirit, who makes all things new.

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El Paso/Juarez

K. Foy/U.S.- Mexico



Guatemala

A. Clark/Guatemala



Guatemala

K. Hickman/Guatemala

## REMEMBERING HARRY



Father Timothy Kilkelly, M.M./U.S.

Harry was a life-time resident of Port Chester, New York, and an active parishioner at Our Lady of Mercy parish. Following his death during November 2017, he was sent on his heavenly journey with a beautiful Mass of the Resurrection at his beloved parish.

Harry began his career with the American branch of Cambridge University Press in nearby New Rochelle. When he retired, Harry started a second career of 18 years as a substitute teacher at Port Chester High School. During many of these years, Harry also volunteered at the Maryknoll library at the Maryknoll Society Center in Ossining.

The seeds for Harry's 50-year journey with Maryknoll began with his parents, Harry

and Angelita, who were faithful monthly sponsors and displayed the *Maryknoll* magazine on their coffee table. One day, when Harry's pastor asked him to reorganize a school religious education program, he discovered that the teachers were Maryknoll seminarians. Over the years, Harry developed many lifelong friendships with Maryknoll priests and brothers, including Father Timothy Kilkelly, M.M. (pictured above). One close friend, Father Dennis Moorman, M.M., hosted Harry at his São Paulo Mission in Brazil. Harry described the trip as a "highlight of his life."

Harry was extremely generous to Maryknoll during his lifetime. He also remembered the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers in his will.



# TIM AND ELIZABETH



R. Pada/U.S.

Tim was a young boy when his mother told him about the work of the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers. She was a devout Irish Catholic with a special devotion to Mother Mary. Tim's mother supported Maryknoll for many years until her death at the age of 100 during 2001. As Tim began to receive mail from Maryknoll, he fondly recalled his mother's Maryknoll mission stories.

Recently, Tim and his wife, Elizabeth, visited the Maryknoll Society Center in Ossining, New York, at the invitation of Rev. Dr. Peter La Jacq, M.M., and Renée Pada, Gift Planning-Mission Advancement

Division. Tim felt honored and inspired to meet and visit retired Maryknoll priests and brothers who now reside at the center after spending most of their lives ministering to the poorest of the poor.

Tim and Elizabeth always believed that they have been blessed to live in the United States. They were taught to believe that they can't always be on the taking side, that they have a moral obligation to find ways to give back financially and through volunteer work. For Tim, if Maryknollers are willing to devote their lives as missionaries, he has a spiritual obligation to try his best to provide them with the financial means to do the Lord's work.

# A FAMILY'S TRADITION



J. Weingarten/U.S.

Bob first learned about Maryknoll during the early 1950s. When a Maryknoll missionary spoke at his church, Bob immediately began to support mission.

Bob then joined the "Saturday Nighters," an organization for young unmarried Catholics who discussed the Sunday liturgy and enjoyed some socializing. At one of the meetings, he met his future wife. Together, he and Ellie pledged the support of the group to sponsor a Maryknoll missionary. Today, Bob and Ellie have been Maryknoll partners in mission for more than 50 years.

Bob and Ellie are inspired by the dedication of the missionaries who share their lives and spread the word of God to help those in need. Over the years, they have shared their love of mission with their family, teaching them about compassion for the less fortunate and the difference that each can make in the lives of families around the world.

With their Christmas tradition of gifting a charity instead of each other, the family recently designated a significant donation to the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers. They believe the true meaning of Christmas is to help others. We are grateful for this beautiful family's friendship and commitment to mission.

# ROMEO AND BETTY



B. Johnson/U.S.

**R**omeo and Betty celebrated their 72nd wedding anniversary on September 23, 2017. Sadly, soon after, Romeo lost his bride as she returned to God.

Romeo and Betty have graciously supported the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers through their charitable gift annuities. Romeo said that Betty loved giving to others in need. It provided her with great peace and joy.

Romeo served in the Pacific Theatre with the U.S. Navy during WWII. He is thankful that God allowed him to survive. He feels blessed to have served on the ship that

guided the USS Missouri into Tokyo Bay to sign the surrender agreement with Japan. He witnessed the signing and said the very next day the table that was used for the surrender agreement was used as the altar to celebrate Holy Mass.

Romeo lives on his farm with his godson and his godson's wife. For countless years, he has written poetry. Hundreds of poems were dearly enjoyed by his wife.

With Romeo's (and Betty's) shining example of giving to the poor throughout the world, the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers' future is bright. We are most blessed for their loving support.



The Senior Missioner Community is blessed with so many members who remain actively involved by assisting the U.S. Church in its vocation to overseas mission.

We mentor our newly ordained members as they enter mission and establish their ministries. We support our seminarians in the fulfillment of their calling as priests and brothers. In our daily work, we encourage the choice of mission for anyone who is considering a vocation.

Our community also remains engaged in many apostolic projects and other programs around the world.



THOUGH OUR AGES INCREASE, OUR ENERGY AND ZEAL  
FOR OVERSEAS MISSION SHOW NO SIGN OF LETTING UP.  
HOW BLESSED WE ARE!



**FATHER EMILE DUMAS, M.M.  
SENIOR MISSIONER COMMUNITY SUPERIOR**

Father Kevin Hanlon, M.M., offers communion at Mission St. Teresa's Residence at Maryknoll, New York.



D. Mastrogiulio/U.S.

*A*frica was the greatest gift of my life," said Father Donald J. Doherty, M.M., when he celebrated the 50th anniversary of his ordination during 2012. "What a marvelous privilege to be able to live in Africa and learn so much about life."

Over the last eight years, Father Doherty has had the opportunity to learn much more about life, meeting interesting people from all over the world. He now lives in New York City. By last count, he has connected with more than 400 people from 61 countries.

Following retirement from overseas mission, Father Doherty first lived in The Bronx, the borough of his childhood. He served part-time as a chaplain at nearby Beth Abraham Hospital. During this same time, he became involved in "couch surfing," and his ministry of international hospitality has continued to this day at his current residence in lower Manhattan.

"Couch surfing" is a vibrant travel community of more than 14 million people. Members search for home accommodations around the world along with meetups with locals and other travelers. Some seek travel advice. Others, such as Father Doherty, host travelers. Through a website and mobile apps, this hospitality and social networking service arranges the connections. Money never exchanges hands.

"I had never joined an online group, or created a profile," said Father Doherty. "Since I became involved in couch surfing, I have enjoyed hosting interesting people from all over the world. Many of them are meeting a Catholic priest

for the first time. We don't necessarily talk about religion, but we do share experiences and stories. We make no judgments about each other."

Travelers hosted by Father Doherty range in age from 20 to 40. Many are college students, including international exchange students. They keep in touch, sending photos of their children along with updates about their lives. People who have stayed with Father Doherty also have opened his eyes to new local experiences.

Father Donald J. Doherty, M.M.



Maryknoll Mission Archives/Tanzania

### **The Human Connection**

"Most people are really good," added Father Doherty. "Catholics, Jews, Muslims, Atheists, Mormons—when people are welcome as guests the human connection is made. This has been such a wonderful way to connect with people.

"Mission is loving one another and helping, and promoting peace and understanding among cultures," said Father Doherty. "I enjoy promoting hospitality to welcome strangers."

Contributions received by the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers support the global missionary ministries of Maryknoll priests and Maryknoll brothers, as well as the formation and education of Maryknoll priesthood and brotherhood candidates who God is calling to serve in mission. The Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers serve in more than 20 countries. This includes mission education outreach in the United States. The Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers also generously support many senior Maryknoll priests and Maryknoll Brothers who continue their lives of ministry through prayer and witness.

## RESPONSIBLE STEWARDSHIP

"We exercise responsible stewardship of the human and financial resources entrusted to us. Stewardship requires concern for the charism we have been gifted with, the integrity of creation and the preferential option for the poor."

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## CATHOLIC FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY OF AMERICA, INC.

Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets  
For the year ended December 31, 2017

<b>REVENUE</b>	
<b>PUBLIC SUPPORT</b>	<b>\$ 45,182,335</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 50,006,831</b>
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 95,189,166</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
<b>PROGRAM SERVICES</b>	<b>\$ 53,262,905</b>
<b>SUPPORTING SERVICES</b>	<b>\$ 12,635,162</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 65,898,067</b>
Changes in net assets before pension related changes	29,291,099
Other losses not reflected in functional expenses	(\$1,325,599)
Pension related changes not reflected in functional expenses	1,566,561
<b>CHANGE IN NET ASSETS FOR YEAR</b>	<b>\$ 29,532,061</b>

The Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America, Inc., is a tax-exempt, non-profit organization incorporated in the State of New York. The Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America, Inc., is a founding member of the National Catholic Development Conference (NCDC). As such, the Society fully complies with the financial reporting, fundraising and accountability standards of the NCDC. **A copy of the complete financial statements, audited by Plante & Moran, PLLC, is available at the Society's headquarters at Maryknoll, New York.**

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~ **FATHER RAYMOND J. FINCH, M.M.  
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## OUR COMMITMENT

Therefore, faithful to our Oath to the Society, and with gratitude to our generous benefactors and the local U.S. Church that sends us on mission, we proclaim God's saving, reconciling, liberating, and healing message to all peoples.

*Maryknoll Society Mission Vision*



MARYKNOLL'S  
**ECOMISSION**  
 HEALING GOD'S CREATION

*Inspired by Pope Francis' call for a deeper encounter with the people on the periphery of our global society, we will join in solidarity with those groups, organizations and movements that struggle to overcome social exclusion, to combat environmental destruction, and to care for God's creation.*

**Maryknoll Society Strategic Mission Plan 2016 – GOAL 5**

Maryknoll Society members and employees from various departments collaborated throughout 2017 to discuss Maryknoll's concerns for the world's environment and to create a plan that effectively identified, implemented and communicated the Society's environmental sustainability commitment and initiatives here in the U.S. and internationally.

**Maryknoll's EcoMission – Healing God's Creation** is a program that integrates existing initiatives with forward-looking plans in various stages of development. The program also includes a communications component to

convey Maryknoll's environmental leadership to our benefactors, our mission partners, the Catholic Church in the U.S. and the many others who support our work in mission.

At the Maryknoll Society Center in Ossining, New York, all buildings now are powered by wind-generated electricity. Energy-saving LED lights have been installed inside and outside to light hallways, walkways and parking lots. Environmentally sustainable products that are biodegradable have reduced reliance on ammonia, bleach and phosphorous. Many additional conservation steps have been implemented in transportation, housing and information technology sectors. Similar sustainability initiatives have been implemented at other Maryknoll locations that include the Maryknoll Society Center in Los Altos, California, and at overseas facilities that include apostolic projects in mission countries.

Throughout the creation of Maryknoll's EcoMission, the Society has collaborated with the Green Business Partnership in New York's Westchester County. Our objective is to present our accomplishments and future plans to become a certified member of the partnership in our home county by 2019.



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