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Cover Photo: Father Joseph McCabe, M.M., celebrating Mass at the Basilica of Saint Mary Major. (Adam Mitchell/Rome)

Our Message



Throughout 2025, we were invited to walk together as Pilgrims of Hope, trusting in God's guidance and sharing the light of Christ with the world. With grateful hearts, we thank God for continuing to guide and sustain the mission of Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers.

This year also brought great joy to the Church with the election of Pope Leo XIV as our new Holy Father. As he begins his ministry, we join Catholics around the world in praying for him and giving thanks for his example of faith, unity, and service.

Because of your generosity, hope became visible in real and meaningful ways this year. Across Asia, Africa, Latin America, and the United States, Maryknoll missionaries walked alongside communities in need by sharing the Gospel, supporting the Church, encouraging vocations, and caring for the poor, sick, and marginalized. Your faithful support continues to touch lives and strengthen communities around the world.

We were also inspired by a group of benefactors who made a pilgrimage to Rome during the Jubilee Year. Their journey was a beautiful reminder that we are all pilgrims, united in faith and mission, walking together and bringing Christ's light to others.

We know that every gift you make is an expression of faith and trust. We remain deeply grateful for your partnership and committed to using these resources with care and transparency, as reflected in this Annual Impact Report.

Thank you for being part of the Maryknoll mission. May God continue to bless you and your loved ones with hope, peace, and joy in the years ahead.

In Christ's love,
Fr. Lance P. Nadeau, MM
Father Lance P. Nadeau, M.M., Superior General

"May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven."

— Pope Francis

Office of Vocations

Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers continued to accompany young adults in discernment and to celebrate new vocations to missionary service and the priesthood



As Pilgrims of Hope in this Jubilee Year, Maryknoll missioners continued to accompany young people as they discern how God may be calling them to serve the Church and the world. Through retreats, parish visits, campus ministry, vocation talks, and personal accompaniment, the vocation office helps young adults encounter Christ and consider lives rooted in mission, service, and faith.

Throughout 2025, Maryknoll missioners engaged in vocation outreach traveled across the United States, meeting young adults where they are — in parishes, universities, retreats, youth gatherings, and online communities. Whether speaking with confirmation students, leading prayer and adoration, or sharing stories from mission abroad, they consistently sought to invite young people into deeper reflection on purpose, calling, and missionary discipleship.

One of the year's most meaningful experiences was the Maryknoll Collaborative Holy Week Discernment Retreat in El Paso, Texas. Organized with the Maryknoll Lay Missioners and the Maryknoll Sisters, the retreat brought together participants from across the country for prayer, reflection, liturgies, and conversations centered on the Maryknoll charism and missionary life. Participants joined missioners for Holy Week celebrations, including the Good Friday Monarca Migrante interactive Way of the Cross and an Easter Vigil filled with joy and community.

The vocation team accompanied participants throughout the retreat through one-on-one conversations, communal prayer, and shared experiences of service and faith. Several participants continued their discernment



Father Rodrigo Ulloa, M.M., Vocations Director



journey afterward through follow-up meetings and ongoing accompaniment.

Vocation outreach also expanded through parish visits and young adult ministry in cities including Chicago, San Diego, Houston, Aurora, El Paso, and Santa Clara. Missioners spoke with students and young adults about missionary service, the Gospel call to accompany others, and the ongoing importance of mission in today's world.

Maryknoll missioners also participated in major Catholic gatherings, including the Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, Marian Days in Missouri, youth events such as Thriveanooga in Tennessee, and the Jubilee of Young People in Rome. These gatherings provided opportunities to connect with Catholics from diverse cultures and backgrounds and to share Maryknoll's global missionary witness.

This year also brought moments of great joy to the Maryknoll community. On June 7, 2025, Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers welcomed two newly ordained priests: Father Patrick Okok, M.M., and Father Matthew Sim, M.M. They also celebrated the diaconate ordination of seminarian Victor Mutobera, M.M., who was ordained on Mission Sunday in Chicago at the parish where he had served during his formation.

Father Rodrigo Ulloa, M.M., reflected, "Many young adults today struggle with commitment and uncertainty about the future. Through listening, encouragement, and accompaniment, Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers continue to help young people recognize that a vocation is not merely choosing a career path but responding generously to God's call to serve others with love and purpose."

Mission Formation Ministry



Throughout 2025, Maryknoll's Mission Formation Ministry (MFM) worked to move Catholics across the United States from passive membership toward active missionary discipleship that was grounded in Gospel values, the Maryknoll charism, and global solidarity. With over 250 events and opportunities, MFM reached thousands of participants through in-person gatherings, online programs, immersion trips, and bilingual outreach.

YOUNG ADULTS

At a moment when many young adults feel disconnected from institutional religion yet still hunger for meaning, justice, and spiritual authenticity, MFM created spaces where faith and real life could meet. Through Young Seekers, Young Adult Empowerment, Maryknoll Young Adult Ambassadors, and Campus Outreach, participants were formed to live out their Catholic faith in service to the most marginalized. Many went on to assume leadership roles within their dioceses, parishes, and communities; others entered vocational discernment or deepened their engagement in social justice ministry.

Immersion experiences developed in partnership with Yale University sent students to Jamaica, Guatemala, and beyond, where they encountered migrant communities, Indigenous leaders, and grassroots organizers. A partnership with the Catholic Climate Covenant brought Maryknoll Young Adult Ambassadors to Rome and Assisi to mark the anniversary of Laudato Si', including a visit with Pope Leo. The experience wove together ecological faith, global solidarity, and community in ways participants described as renewing.

FRONTLINE MINISTERS

MFM's Teacher and Catechist Outreach Community supported the parish ministers, catechists, and youth leaders who carry enormous pastoral responsibility amid burnout and rapid social change. Two initiatives stood out. The new bilingual print edition of Discover Your Neighbor — a 32-page resource for grades K–9 — provides complete lesson plans integrating prayer, Scripture, Catholic Social Teaching, and family engagement, and has received strong feedback from ministry partners. The Missionary Discipleship Institute continued expanding across schools in the Archdioceses of Seattle and Chicago, now spanning grades 5–9, with students demonstrating measurable ownership of their baptismal call.

HISPANIC/LATINO LEADERS

MFM's Hispanic/Latino Ministry grew as a vital mission area, aligned with the USCCB's National Pastoral Plan. Bilingual, culturally grounded programs and training sessions addressed evangelization, leadership, family life, immigration, and synodality. Partnerships with LaRED and NCADDHM strengthened networks across dioceses. Thirteen participants traveled to Guatemala with Catholic Relief Services, engaging directly with local communities — one participant's account was featured in Maryknoll magazine. A collaboration with the Catholic Climate Covenant and Fe y Vida will bring the Wholemakers Program to Spanish-speaking communities in 2026.

LOOKING FORWARD

Mission Formation Ministry demonstrated in 2025 that building a culture of mission requires sustained accompaniment, intercultural encounter, and communities rooted in the Gospel. In a fragmented cultural moment, MFM helped form Catholics willing to cross borders, encounter the marginalized, and live the Gospel with courage.

Maryknoll Brothers

Mission Charism: The Uncomplicated Witness



We are the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers – one Society of Apostolic Life as we respond to the call to mission on the path of Brotherhood and the path of Priesthood.
The Missionary Brother in Maryknoll is an uncomplicated witness in response to God's call to mission.
To live out this uncomplicated witness in Maryknoll and in mission the Brother is called to be a man of prayer, community, service and hospitality. Brothers often turn to the Gospel reading when Jesus washed the feet of his disciples as a clear foundation and anchor for the charism of the Missionary Brother.
"So, during supper, fully aware that the Father had put everything into his power and that he had come from God and was returning to God, he rose from supper and took off his outer garments. He took a towel and tied it around his waist. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and dry them with the towel around his waist. So when he had washed their feet [and] put his garments back on and reclined at table again, he said to them, "Do you realize what I have done for you? You call me 'teacher' and 'master,' and rightly so, for indeed I am. If I, therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another's feet. I have given you a model to follow, so that as I have done for you, you should also do." (John 13:12-15)
The Gospel passage of Jesus washing the feet of his disciples reflects the charism and vocation of the missionary Brother. The story in the Gospel is happening at a meal, in community and embraced by prayer. Important to recall the depth of his ministry of service that Jesus, our brother demonstrates in the washing of the feet. "What I have just done was to give you an example: as I have done you must do."
I recall the experience I had in the highlands of Guatemala when I lived among and served the Indigenous Mayan community with Brother Martin Shea, M.M. In the parish where I lived and ministered, we had a bilingual school of

Brother Wayne J. Fitzpatrick, M.M.

150 Mayan children – Spanish and Mam. In the evening we offered adult education classes which were always well attended.
One evening, I was walking in the plaza of our town near the church. A group of adult students, all men on this occasion were having a conversation among themselves after class. Someone said Hermano (Brother) and I responded. One young man said to me not you Brother. I heard it again and I responded … yes. Again, one young man said not you Brother. I then went over to the group of Mayan students and asked them about their calling someone brother. The explanation from one of the students, Amilcar was so clear and reflected the Gospel – "What I have just done was to give you an example: as I have done you must do."
Amilcar shared with me that night what brother means to them as Indigenous Mayan men. He explained to me that "when we call someone brother it means a great deal. It means that we have great trust and respect for the one we call brother. It means that we are close friends and can rely on one another in good times and difficult times. We can help each other and confide in each other."
It was that night in the town plaza of Colotenago, Guatemala that my call and vocation to be Brother was confirmed by these young Mayan students. To be a missionary Brother in Maryknoll is not a title but rather a way of life in relationship to others. This experience reflected to me my relationship with my two brother siblings and what it means to be a brother to them and also a brother to my two sisters.
To brother is to live out the example of Jesus washing the feet of his Disciples. These Gospel values are lived out in the many ministries and apostolates the Maryknoll Brothers find themselves.
As a Maryknoll Brother I believe my vocation is to invite others into relationship with Jesus, our brother. To say, welcome and make yourself at home: Spend time with someone who is discouraged or struggling – this, I believe is an invitation to share hospitality of the heart and spirit.
To be that uncomplicated witness to others' prayer must be at the core of the vocation of Brother. Deep commitment to prayer embraces one's ministry through service and hospitality. A Brother must live out the words of Jesus to his brothers – his disciples is saying, "Do you understand what I just did for you? What I just did was to give you an example: as I have done for you, so you must do."



Global Apostolic Ministries

EVANGELIZATION & VOCATIONS

Strengthening faith communities; developing resources to awaken in all their baptismal responsibility for mission by sharing God's mission of spreading the Good News; and ongoing theological formation/training for current and future Society members.

CARE OF CREATION

Demonstrating respect for human life and dignity by promoting the common good and the virtue of solidarity with the poor and oppressed and caring for the special concerns of the poorest members of the human community, as stewards of God's great creation.









HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL JUSTICE

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.

HUMAN RIGHTS

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

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

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.

EDUCATION

Empowering individuals through access to quality learning opportunities, equipping them with the knowledge and skills to build brighter futures for themselves and their communities.



> "Love for the poor — whatever the form their poverty may take — is the evangelical hallmark of a Church faithful to the heart of God."
>
> *— Pope Leo XIV*

Africa

New shoes provided through Maryknoll mission outreach are helping children across Kenya attend school more safely and comfortably

In communities across Kenya, even something as simple as a pair of shoes can make a tremendous difference in a child's life. As Maryknoll missioners continued their work as Pilgrims of Hope, they walked alongside children and families facing poverty and hardship, helping to bring dignity, protection, and new opportunities through compassionate outreach.



Across rural Kenya, many children walk barefoot to school, markets, and church each day. In areas with rocky roads, extreme heat, prevalent parasites and infections, going without shoes can cause painful injuries and serious health problems that affect a child's ability to attend school and participate fully in daily life.

In 2025, Maryknoll-supported efforts provided shoes and sandals to thousands of vulnerable children across three economically challenged regions of Kenya: Nyumbani Village in Kitui County, Kehancha Parish in Migori County, and Lobur Parish in Turkana County.

At Nyumbani Village, a Catholic-sponsored residential community for children who are HIV-positive or HIV-affected, residents receive healthcare, education, and a safe, stable home. For many of these children, proper footwear is especially important for protecting their health and preventing infections. Through this project, all 600 children living at Nyumbani Village received new shoes to support their daily activities and school attendance.



Father Hung Dinh, M.M., Regional Superior

In Migori County, where many rural families struggle economically, missioners worked with Catholic-sponsored primary schools in Kehancha Parish to assist children who regularly attend classes barefoot. Shoes and sandals were distributed to students at 20 schools, helping protect them from injury, parasites, and infections and allowing them to feel more comfortable and confident in school.

Further north in Turkana County, one of Kenya's poorest and most remote regions, many children from nomadic pastoral families attend school only intermittently and often travel long distances on foot. Through Lobur Parish in the Diocese of Lodwar, children received footwear that provided both protection and encouragement as they continued pursuing their education despite difficult living conditions.

Altogether, these efforts reached nearly 3,000 children across Kenya. For many, receiving shoes meant more than just protecting their feet. It reminded them that they are cared for, valued, and not forgotten. Small acts of compassion like these continue to open doors for children to learn, grow, and move forward with greater confidence and hope.







MARYKNOLL SOCIETY MEMBERS SERVING GOD'S PEOPLE IN: (2025)
• Kenya • Tanzania

Asia

Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers brought hope and emergency relief to families recovering from the devastating earthquake in Myanmar

When the devastating earthquake struck Myanmar, thousands of families were left without homes, food, medical care, or even basic security. Entire communities in the Mandalay and Sagaing regions faced overwhelming destruction and endured the hardships of ongoing civil conflict. For many families, the earthquake deepened an already fragile situation, creating an urgent humanitarian crisis. Yet even amid suffering and uncertainty, signs of hope emerged through the compassion and solidarity of others.



As Maryknoll reflects on this year's theme, Pilgrims of Hope, we are reminded that hope is not merely optimism in easy times. Hope endures even in the darkest moments, carried by acts of mercy, faith, and accompaniment. In Myanmar, Maryknoll missioners and local Church leaders became witnesses to that hope for families struggling to survive.

In the days after the disaster, Father John Barth, M.M., who serves near the Myanmar border in Thailand, shared heartbreaking reports from the region. Communication systems were failing, electricity and clean water were scarce, and emergency workers continued searching for survivors in collapsed buildings. Priests, religious sisters, and families slept outdoors, fearful of aftershocks and uncertain about what would come next.

Thanks to the generosity of Maryknoll benefactors and support from the Maryknoll Emergency Fund, Father John and local Church leaders were able to respond quickly to those most in need. Working alongside the Archdiocese of Mandalay and Caritas partners, emergency relief reached vulnerable families in temporary shelters and isolated villages.



More than 1,200 families received emergency food supplies, including rice, cooking oil, dried fish, beans, and other staples, when markets were closed and supplies were scarce. Over 700 people received medical treatment and essential medicines for injuries and illnesses caused by the earthquake and the harsh living conditions that followed.

Support from the Emergency Fund also provided displaced families with blankets, clothing, mosquito nets, tarps, and sanitation facilities. Emergency toilets and pump wells helped restore dignity and reduce disease transmission in overcrowded shelters. Education kits enabled children to continue learning despite the instability around them, offering families a sense of hope and normalcy during a traumatic time.

The assistance also helped repair churches and pastoral centers, which became gathering places and shelters for those displaced by the disaster. Transportation support, including vehicles, fuel, and maintenance, enabled aid workers to reach remote villages that would otherwise have been cut off from relief.

Father Augustine Win Myint of the Archdiocese of Mandalay shared that beyond physical assistance, the support also provided spiritual encouragement to families who felt forgotten. Many simply asked that their gratitude be shared with those who helped them, saying, "Please tell them we are not alone anymore."

As pilgrims walking together in faith, we continue to pray for the people of Myanmar and for all who are rebuilding their communities with courage, resilience, and hope.



Father Joyalito Tajonera, M.M., Regional Superior

MARYKNOLL SOCIETY MEMBERS SERVING GOD'S PEOPLE IN: (2025)
• Bangladesh • China • Japan • Korea
• Taiwan • Thailand

Latin America

Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers throughout Latin America continued to accompany communities as Pilgrims of Hope through faith, service, and compassionate outreach

Across Latin America, Maryknoll missioners continued to accompany communities with faith, compassion, and solidarity. During this Jubilee Year, their ministry reflected the Church's call to journey as Pilgrims of Hope, walking alongside people facing poverty, migration, violence, and uncertainty while sharing the hope of the Gospel.



Throughout 2025, the Latin America Region launched several new initiatives to strengthen missionary collaboration and outreach. At the Regional Assembly in Lima, Peru, missioners gathered for prayer, reflection, and planning centered on intercultural living, formation, and the future direction of mission in the region.

A Pilgrimage Retreat in Central America offered participants an opportunity for spiritual renewal and reflection on the missionary journey. Father John Spain, M.M., helped organize the retreat as a time of prayer, accompaniment, and deeper encounter with the realities and people of the region.

This spirit of renewal was also reflected in the opening of a new mission commitment in Chipiriri, Bolivia, in the Chapare region. Fathers Joshua Maondo, M.M., and Charles Ogony, M.M., began accompanying parish communities through pastoral ministry and community engagement. Nearby, in the TIPNIS region, three Maryknoll Lay Missioners joined Father Mike Bassano, M.M., in missionary service among Indigenous and rural communities.

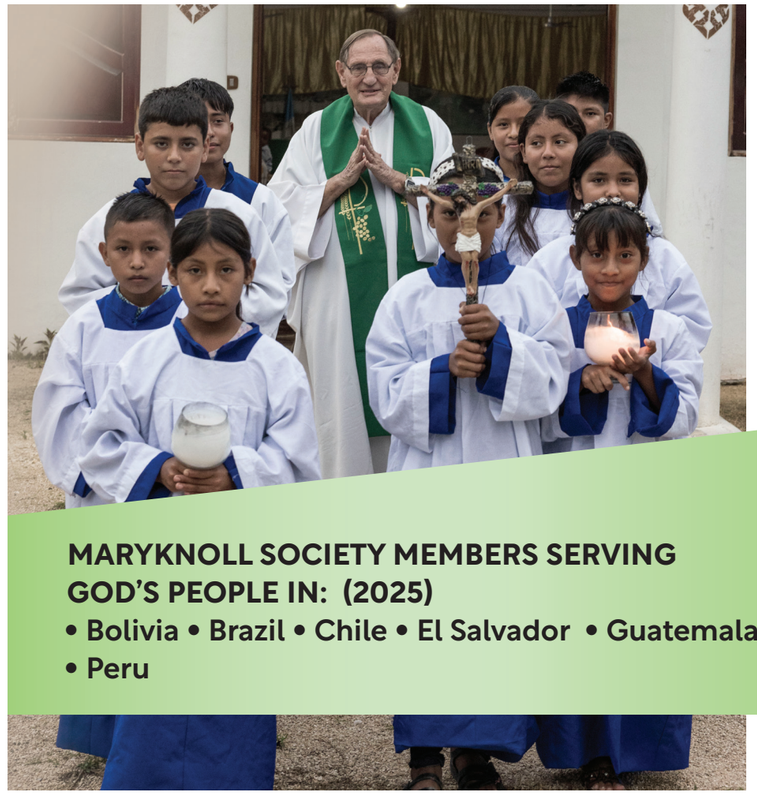


The region also continued to foster future missionary vocations. A Residency for Vocational Discernment, initially launched as a pilot program, was officially recognized as a regional project and welcomed several men discerning missionary life. A "Come and See" retreat in Cochabamba invited young adults into prayer, discernment, and a deeper encounter with Maryknoll spirituality.

At the same time, Maryknoll missioners across Latin America continued responding creatively to pastoral and human needs. Father Dennis Moorman, M.M., expanded his Trauma Healing Workshops beyond Latin America into Africa and Asia, while Brother Ryan Thibert, M.M., and Father Moorman broadened their evangelization outreach through social media ministry.

In Peru, Father Joseph Fedora, M.M., continued nearly 30 years of ministry among people living with HIV, offering compassionate care and accompaniment, while Father William Senger, M.M., entrusted his parish to the local Diocese, bringing closure to Maryknoll's presence in Guatemala, where missioners had served since 1943.

Together, these ministries show how Maryknoll missioners continue sharing Christ's compassion across Latin America by accompanying communities, strengthening faith, and bringing hope to others each day.



MARYKNOLL SOCIETY MEMBERS SERVING GOD'S PEOPLE IN: (2025)

• Bolivia • Brazil • Chile • El Salvador • Guatemala • Peru

> “The Jubilee is drawing to a close, but the hope that this Year has given us does not end: we will remain pilgrims of hope.”
>
> *—Pope Leo XIV*

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Fathers and Brothers MARYKNOLL™

United States

Volunteers and caregivers at Mustard Seed Communities in Jamaica provided loving care and support to vulnerable children and families

As Pilgrims of Hope, Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers continued to accompany vulnerable communities with compassion, faith, and service. One example of this spirit is evident in Jamaica, where children with special needs, abandoned youth, and vulnerable young mothers receive care through the ministry of Mustard Seed Communities.

Each January, a group of Boston College alumni and friends travel to Jamaica to volunteer with Mustard Seed Communities (MSC), a Catholic organization founded 47 years ago to care for abandoned children and adults with disabilities and special needs. The group visits orphanages, homes for children living with HIV, and Mary's House, a residence for pregnant teenage girls.

Among the volunteers is a longtime Maryknoll supporter, Father Leo Shea, M.M., who, more than six decades ago, lived and worked in Jamaica as a lay teacher. The annual visit has become a meaningful pilgrimage of prayer, service, and accompaniment, rooted in faith and human connection.

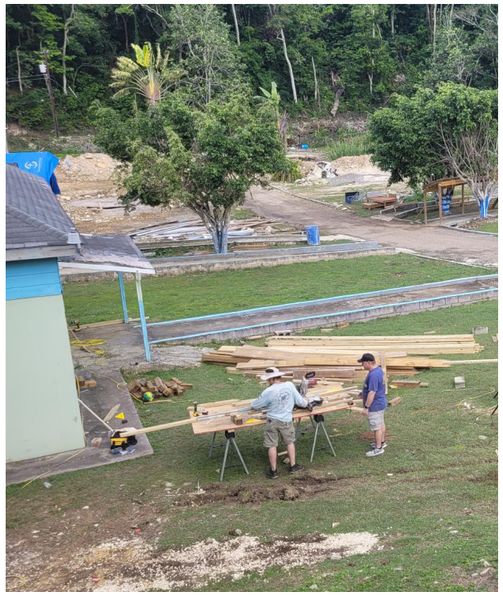
The volunteers stay at Sophie's Place, an orphanage in the foothills of Jamaica's Blue Mountains, where 25 children with special needs receive around-the-clock care. Days are spent assisting caregivers, feeding children, accompanying residents to Mass, and sharing in the daily rhythms of community life. Evenings include communal prayer and time spent before the Blessed Sacrament.

The ministry of Mustard Seed Communities became even more vital after Hurricane Melissa, a devastating storm that struck Jamaica with winds of 185 miles per hour. Despite widespread destruction across the island, caregivers stayed with the children throughout the storm, protecting and comforting them in dangerous conditions.

Monsignor Gregory Ramkissoon, founder of Mustard Seed



Father Alfonso Kim, M.M., Regional Superior





Communities, reflected on the experience, saying, "We can rebuild the buildings, but we can't rebuild children." Thanks to the dedication of staff and volunteers, no child was harmed during the hurricane.

Maryknoll has continued to support rebuilding efforts in Jamaica while accompanying those who serve some of the island's most vulnerable residents. For volunteers and missioners alike, these experiences are powerful reminders that hope is often shared through simple acts of presence, such as feeding a child, praying together, offering comfort, and helping those in need.

At the end of each visit, the children often sing "Jamaica, Land We Love," a moment that touches everyone deeply and beautifully captures the spirit and strength of the community.

MARYKNOLL SOCIETY MEMBERS SERVING GOD'S PEOPLE IN: (2025)

United States

Senior Missioner Community

Expanding Horizons: Bringing Joy Beyond the Four Walls



The year 2025 was a year of blessings for the Senior Missioner Community; especially for our Skilled Nursing Unit. Because of donor interest and support, the Maryknoll Society was able to recruit new hires for aides, nurses, and a part-time psychologist, all of whom bolster Maryknoll's commitment to person-centered care of our senior missioners. This has resulted in the construction of two new nursing stations within the Center Building; one station on a newly opened section for those needing full-time care, and a second station constructed and supplied for the care of senior Maryknollers who are largely independent but require assistance with medications and occasional support for their self-care efforts.

And again, because of donor interest and support the Maryknoll Society was able to expand the size of our activities room; a place where senior missioners gather for movies, for talks on a wide range of topics, for games and activities that support cognitive health, and also for simply being together. The expansion also accommodates visits by family members and friends of our seniors.

At the end of 2025 we were able to place an order for a new van which, when delivered, will better accommodate transportation for medical visits and outings for those senior missioners who require walkers and other support devices for their mobility, while at the same time allowing them a sense of independence and renewed connection with the world outside the Maryknoll Center.

Thank you all for being an intimate part of the lives of our senior members who still carry within themselves the Love and Spirit of Mission!



Father John McAuley, M.M., Superior







In Gratitude for Our Friends in Mission

Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers remain ever grateful to our benefactors who we call our Friends in Mission. Their prayers and support strengthen us in hope, resilience and adaptability as we continue Christ's saving work. Together we have made a difference in the lives of each person and community Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers serve in Asia, Africa and Latin America and supported the work of the Catholic Church in the United States. We prayerfully celebrate our shared mission of renewing our baptismal promise of service with God's love.



Pope Leo XIV waves to the crowd at the 2025 Holy Year Jubilee Pilgrimage trip in celebration of World Mission Sunday. (Adam Mitchell/Rome}



Father Joseph McCabe, M.M., speaks at a post 2025 Holy Year Jubilee Pilgrimage trip for World Mission Sunday presentation. (Diane Mastrogiulio/New York}



(Adam Mitchell/Rome}



(Adam Mitchell/Rome}

Friends in Mission



Richard with Maryknoll's Northeast Region Regional Representative Richard McGee

THE MISSIONARY SPIRIT CONTINUES.
Richard's connection to Maryknoll began many years ago through his sister, Mary, who joined the Maryknoll Sisters and served as a missionary in Tanzania, Africa. Inspired by her dedication and the impact of her missionary work, Richard became a faithful supporter of the Maryknoll Sisters and the people they serve. Over the years, he remained deeply committed to continuing the mission of bringing hope, compassion, and assistance to communities in need.

A few years ago, Richard also began supporting Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers. His generosity and appreciation for Maryknoll's missionary spirit led him to make a special gift last year to purchase a beautiful Votive Candle Stand for Our Lady Queen of Apostles Chapel in Maryknoll, New York. The candles now serve as a lasting symbol of prayer, faith, and remembrance within the chapel.

Today, Richard and his family continue their charitable giving through their family foundation, supporting Maryknoll and many other worthwhile organizations. Their ongoing generosity reflects a deep commitment to faith, service, and helping others, ensuring that the missionary work they value so highly can continue for generations to come.

A LIFE GIVEN IN RETURN
In September 1985, *Rosemary* was a single mother of three in Illinois, working as a physical therapist. Her children qualified for reduced-rate lunches at school. Although she had little money to spare, she still sought a way to help others.

A parish presentation on tithing gave her a framework: 5% to your church, 5% to charitable causes. After a Maryknoll mailing arrived, she recognized it as her answer, and she has been giving it ever since.

Over the years, Maryknoll became personal. The Regional Representative for the Midwest visited annually. On one occasion, he asked if he might bring a guest, Father Thomas Danaher, M.M., a missionary in China. No relation, but a warm coincidence. Later, Rosemary met Father Michael Gould, M.M., an older Maryknoll priest with unmistakably red hair. She first noticed him struggling to find his place in the Missal — not from age, she soon learned, but because he had not said Mass in English in fifty years. Father Gould remained a presence in her life for nearly a decade. He died in January 2025 and was remembered with a memorial Mass in Bloomington.



Rosemary

Through it all, Rosemary kept a careful log of her finances. What she observed was simple and consistent: the more she gave, the more there was to give. Her husband Jack, whom she married in 1993, would shake his head and laugh when he saw the numbers growing. She has a plain explanation for it. “God’s generosity can’t be matched.”

A HEART THAT GIVES WITH JOY
Anne's story begins with a voyage across the Atlantic on a small ship filled with war brides and their babies. Born in London in 1946, she was just an infant when her mother boarded that vessel bound for America. "My mother took one look at that boat and thought, 'We're supposed to cross the Atlantic in that?'" Anne recalls with a laugh. "But we made it."

Anne grew up in New York suburbs, attending Catholic school through high school before working in her father's fabric export business in New York City. In 1968, she married Tom, and four years later, they moved to California, where they raised two sons and never looked back.

Her connection to Maryknoll began through her Aunt Marie, but an article in *Maryknoll Magazine* about Father John Lange, M.M., in Tanzania changed everything. "The Holy Spirit just spoke to my heart," she recalled.

Anne reached out to Father Lange to sponsor a student and ended up sponsoring two young men through their studies. She continues her sponsorship today, currently supporting a young girl who lost an eye.

Her generosity is rooted in Scripture. She lives by Luke 6:38: "Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over."

For over 21 years, Anne has made hundreds of gifts to Maryknoll. "Giving to Maryknoll brings me immense joy," she states simply. "It truly does."



Anne

Community Outreach





2025 was the eighth year that Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers participated in three donation drives, breaking its own record, once again, for the amount of food, clothing, household items and school supplies distributed to local charities in our community.

Our Community Outreach team continued to expand programs, such as the Women's Day of Prayer, by offering them at our 39th Street house in New York City, with plans to bring the program to local Catholic assisted living facilities in 2026.

World Mission Sunday opened Maryknoll's doors to our local friends in mission. After a bilingual Mass celebrated by Father Juan Zúñiga, M.M., our guests enjoyed refreshments while chatting with our missioners, and presentations by Father Joseph Veneroso, M.M.

Father Joseph McCabe, M.M., joined the event via live-stream from Rome with an update on the Jubilee Pilgrimage.





Your Legacy, Our Mission



Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers recognizes our Friends in Mission who generously commit to support the future of mission through a planned gift.

With your faith-filled support of Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers through a charitable gift, such as a Bequest or Gift Annuity, you have enabled us to plan for our future, continuing in mission, and sharing the Good News of the Gospel and Jesus Christ's love by giving new life to communities all over the globe. We also hope to continue to strengthen the baptismal missionary vocations of Catholics here in the United States.

In gratitude for your unending love of mission, we respectfully enroll you in The Bishop Francis X. Ford, M.M., Legacy Society. As a Legacy Society member, you and your family will be included in a prayerful remembrance at The Bishop Francis X. Ford, M.M., Legacy Society Mass, which is held on November 1, All Saints' Day, as well as a lifetime subscription to *Maryknoll Magazine* or *Misioneros* magazine, our Planned Giving newsletter, *Maryknoll in Motion*, featuring planned giving tools, and a complimentary one year membership to the Prayer Guild.

We also promise a weekly remembrance at Mass every Friday at our Society Center in Maryknoll, NY, and in the prayers and Masses of our Maryknoll Missioners around the world.

The Bishop Francis X. Ford, M.M., Legacy Society honors the generosity of those who are dedicated to spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ through love and hope by serving those most in need across the world or by including us in their estate plans.

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The 2025 Holy Year Pilgrimage

As a major in English Literature in my university years, I was introduced to "The Canterbury Tales" by Chaucer, and through this learned of the ancient Christian tradition of making pilgrimages that dates back to the early 4th Century and the Emperor Constantine, and more directly to his mother Helena, who made an extensive pilgrimage to the Holy Land, that was later memorialized by others of the same period (such as the Spanish nun Egeria [or Elvira].

By 1300, Pope Boniface VIII called for the first "Jubilee Holy Year," with special indulgences (or graces) granted for the forgiveness of sins. Originally meant to be called every 100 years, within a short time the practice was to have these Jubilee years every 25 years.

And so, in the last decades, we had Jubilee Holy Years in 1900, 1925, 1950, 1975, 2000 and more recently 2025. In the meantime, beginning with Pope St. John Paul II we had Extraordinary Holy Years for particular purposes or intentions, such as 1933 (1900th commemoration of the death of Jesus), the close of the II Vatican Council (1966) and then the Holy Years of Redemption (1983), and of Mercy (2016) and currently one for St. Francis of Assisi (2026-27).

As the Jubilee Holy Year of 2025 approached, a proposal was made to offer a special Maryknoll Pilgrimage to coincide with this event, to be sponsored by the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers. A committee was established to work on the pilgrimage, contacting tour agencies that specialize in putting together a pilgrimage group of up to 30 under the guidance of a Maryknoll priest as spiritual director.

The dates for our pilgrimage were chosen to also cover Mission Sunday (October 18, 2025) marked by the canonization of saints among whom was the catechist martyr of the 20th century, St. Peter To Rot of Papua New Guinea.

Our pilgrims gathered in Rome and for the first days visited most of the Holy Year sites, including the Basilicas of St. Peter's, St. Mary Major, St. John Lateran, St. Paul Outside the Walls, Holy Cross in Jerusalem, and the catacombs of St. Callistus. At each site prayers were offered, and often we had a special group Mass.

After these days in Rome, the group moved on for three days in Assisi, and another two to three days in Florence visiting again many special sites for prayer, reflection, and grace.

Coming as we did from all parts of the US and overseas, we met for the first time in Rome and over the next days, from individuals we formed a bond as a group seen in our gentle concern for one another, coming to anticipate the needs of all, and growing more deeply into a spirit of prayer and reflection each day.

Our local guide (Mattia) offered historical insights and managed to adjust to our differences and anticipate any challenges in the journey, while as the spiritual guide, I presided at liturgies and preached and offered almost daily insights with Mattia on the pilgrimage sites we visited, giving those who asked the possibility of individual confession, spiritual direction or prayers.

By the end of our ten days, I saw before me a special group of women and men who were gently touched by the Holy Spirit, and whose lives were subtly changed by this experience.

As missionaries, we in Maryknoll have experienced such subtle yet powerful change as we preach the Gospel "to the nations," following the Mandate of Jesus. It was a unique grace for all of us to experience such a Divine moment in the 2025 Jubilee Holy Year, as Pilgrims of Hope.

Father Joseph V. McCabe, M.M.



"My heart is overflowing with a joyful and humble gratitude for this incredible blessing. I feel truly honored to have the chance to embark on this holy pilgrimage alongside you all."

— A Jubilee Pilgrim

"*I cannot stop thinking of our journey together. My fellow pilgrims, you have all inspired me with your determination to complete our journey together. I learned how to love thanks to you all. God Bless.*"

— A Jubilee Pilgrim

Stewardship Report



Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers Society Center - Maryknoll, NY

Contributions received by 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 whom God is calling to serve in mission. Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers serve in communities across Africa, Asia, and Latin America, sharing the Gospel and accompanying those most in need. This includes mission education outreach in the United States. Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers also generously support many senior Maryknoll priests and Maryknoll Brothers who continue their lives of ministry through prayer and witness.

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Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America, Inc.

REVENUE

PUBLIC SUPPORT	**$55,500,990**
REVENUE	**$56,236,825**
TOTAL PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUE	**$111,737,815**

EXPENSES

PROGRAM SERVICES	**$48,968,857**
SUPPORTING SERVICES	**$18,732,873**
TOTAL EXPENSES	**$67,701,730**
INCREASE IN NET ASSETS - BEFORE OTHER ITEMS	**$44,036,085**
Other gains (losses) not reflected in functional expenses	(225,000)
Pension-related changes not reflected in functional expenses	(14,426,926)
INCREASE IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEAR	**$29,384,159**

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> "Life shines brightly not because we are rich, beautiful or powerful. Instead, it shines when we discover within ourselves the truth that we are called by God, have a vocation, have a mission, that our lives serve something greater than ourselves"
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