



## SPC SISTERS ATTEND OIEC INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS 2019 EDUCATIO SI

Three SPC Sisters—Sr. Ma. Evangeline Anastacio, SPU Manila President, Sr. Nilda Masirag, Provincial Assistant for Education, and Sr. Rosanne Mallillin, SPU Surigao President and Chancellor of the SPU University System—attended the OIEC International Congress 2019 in New York on 5-8 June 2019. The logo of the congress was “Educatio Si.”

The World Congress of the International Organization of Catholic Schools 2019 was held in New York from the 5<sup>th</sup> to the 8<sup>th</sup> of June (OIEC 2019). The theme for the Congress was “Educating for human solidarity to construct a civilization based on love.” Approximately 600 educators from all five continents reflected on the identity of the Christian school, inclusion in schools, the culture of dialogue, quality in education, ways in which to care for our common house, collaboration between establishments, informal education, and the protection of children from all kinds of abuse. The documents used as a basis of discussion were the Papal Encyclical, *Laudato Si*, and the Church document “Educating for Human Solidarity.”



Panel discussions, conferences and workshops enabled people to explore ideas, so as to become aware of the situation and to set up communication links between participants.

The event closed with two calls addressed to all educators. The first call summed up the conclusions of the Congress, which were read out during a plenary assembly of the United

Nations by Philippe Richard, Secretary General of the OIEC.

In the second call, Pope Francis highlighted the idea of a humanity based on fraternity and he stressed the need to say “No” to the culture of indifference and to be open to transcendence. (*La Salle Org.*)

Following are some pictures of the Sisters' trip.

June 5: Opening Mass of the OIEC Global Congress 2019 at St. Patricks Cathedral... after which the Sisters met up with Fr. Erno Diaz and alumni of St. Paul Manila (Marilyn Abalos, Leila Sumulong, Nenette Ballon-Shlasko, and Patsy Santiago-Schultz) for an Italian dinner.



After the afternoon sessions in the OIEC World Congress, the SPU Manila Alumni USA co-chairs treated the Sisters to the musical, *My Fair Lady*, in Lincoln Center Theatre. Photo shows Patsy, Sr. Evangeline, Sr. Nilda, Sr. Rosanne, and Marilyn.



The Closing Program of the OIEC World Congress on Catholic Education: "Educating to Fraternal Humanism to Build a Civilization of Love," was held in the United Nations Headquarters in New York.



## OUTREACH ACTIVITY

On 14 June 2019, St. Paul University Manila distributed school supplies to 100 pupils (41 Grade 1 pupils, 24 pre-elementary and 35 daycare children) in Pulo Elementary School, Bgy. Pulo, Hermosa, Bataan.

Mrs. Lea Chavez-Paras, Grade 1 Teacher, assisted SPU Manila personnel and volunteers during the distribution. The assorted school supplies were donated by Batch 2019 graduates, National Service Training Program (NSTP) 2 students, and Dr. Amelia Butial.

Bgy. Pulo, a potential partner for community development has been very generous in accommodating the NSTP 2 students during their immersion program, which was held during all the weekends of March 2019.





**ALUMNAE GATHERINGS**

**High School 1968  
Reunion in Canada**



**SPMAFI Meeting  
with Jubilarian  
Classes**

**High School 1967  
Thanksgiving Party  
Abuela's**

