

# CNEWA: 100 Years of Healing and Hope

## *A Special Lenten Reflection*

Join us for an inspiring Lenten presentation on the Church's call to missionary service. The talk marks the 100th Anniversary of the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) —*a papal agency serving some of the most vulnerable communities in the world.*

Msgr. Peter Vaccari, *President of CNEWA*, will reflect on a century of faith in action and invite us to consider anew Christ's enduring question:  
“And who is my neighbor?” *Luke 10:29*

WEDNESDAY

**FEBRUARY  
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**Saint Aloysius Parish**  
21 Cherry Street | New Canaan, Connecticut  
Two presentations for your convenience | **11:00 am and 7:00 pm**  
*Refreshments will be served*

### **What You Will Experience**

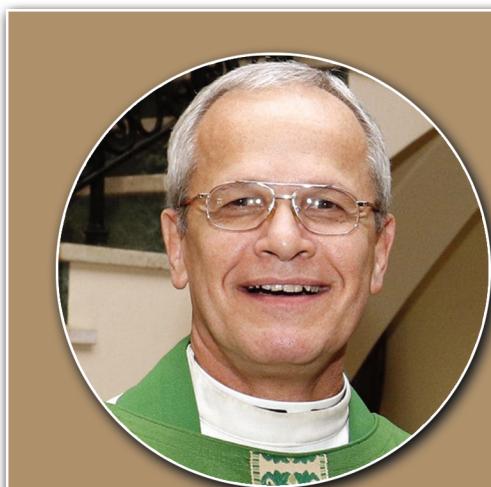
- 100 years of CNEWA's mission as a papal agency of healing and hope
- Support for the Eastern Catholic Churches in the Middle East, Northeast Africa, India, and Eastern Europe
- Insight into the humanitarian and pastoral challenges facing these communities today

Founded by Pope Pius XI in 1926, the Catholic Near East Welfare Association “CNEWA”, is an instrument of love and a sign of hope for those in need scattered throughout the historic but unstable lands of the ancient Eastern churches — the Middle East, Northeast Africa, India and Eastern Europe.

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Msgr. Peter I. Vaccari was appointed President of Catholic Near East Welfare Association in July 2020. A priest of the Diocese of Brooklyn, Msgr. Vaccari, 67, has served as rector of St. Joseph Seminary in Dunwoodie, New York, since 2012. Ordained a priest in 1977, he has served as a parish priest, seminary professor, chaplain with the Air Force Reserve, and rector of the seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, Long Island.

