

## **THE LAY SCALABRINIAN MOVEMENT**

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**"CONTRIBUCIÓN DE COLABORADORES, VOLUNTARIOS Y LAICOS A LA MISIÓN SCALABRINIANA"**



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IN MEMORIAM of our **MARTYRS/WITNESSES**  
**LAY SCALABRINIAN**




Antonella - Foto: Stefano Romano



Incontri: Antonella Mattei, Laica Scalabriniana “vita dedicata ai migranti”

Dal comitato di redazione della rivista Incontri, porgiamo le nostre condoglianze alla famiglia Mattei e alla famiglia Scalabriniana per la dipartita di Antonella, laica scalabriniana scomparsa il 23 gennaio al Policlinico Agostino Gemelli di Roma. “Una grande perdita per la comunità delle Scalabriniane e per i migranti”, affermano le Missionarie Scalabriniane, “amava il mondo dei migranti ed è stata una delle grandi animatrici e protagoniste delle Feste dei popoli della diocesi di Roma, oltre che protagonista di tanti momenti musicali con e per i migranti e con e per i giovani”. E ancora: “Era dedicata alla vita dei migranti e amica della famiglia scalabriniana, con cui ha condiviso il cari - sma , la passione, la donazione per tutti quelli che erano i progetti della famiglia scalabriniana”. “Condividiamo l’immenso dolore di chi ha conosciuto e voluto bene ad Antonella Mattei, si legge in un post di Scalabrini Press. Laica scalabriniana da più di 25 anni è stata una testimone di luce con il suo sorriso contagioso, il suo grande talento canoro che ha messo sempre al servizio della comunità e il suo cuore generoso. Ha abbracciato il nostro carisma, spendendosi fino all’ultimo per annunciare a giovani e migranti la fede in un Dio che non delude e che ora l’ha accolta nella gioia eterna”.

**Mario Bilich**



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*St. Giovanni Battista Scalabrini, with the heart of a bishop, you gave yourself completely to all. You listened to the cries of migrants, spoke in their name, defended their rights. You found sustenance in the Eucharist, alone in the cross of Jesus, comfort in Mary, Mother of the Church.*

*Through your intercession, may God grant peace to all humanity, protect those who cross seas and borders sustained by hope, bless us and our loved ones. Amen.*

*Il Santo Scalabrini, con il suo ultimo sospiro, ha rivolto gli occhi a Colui che viene e gli ha detto "Sono pronto, Andiamol". Abbiamo fiducia che anche Mario, reguendo le orme del suo caro Santo patrono, disse lo stesso con il suo ultimo sospiro. Amen.*

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*In Loving Memory of  
Andreina Bilich*



*Angelo di Dio  
Angelo di Dio che sei il mio custode.  
Illumina, custodisci, reggi e governa me,  
che ti fui affidato dalla Pietà celeste. Amen.*

*Angel de Dios  
Angel de Dios, que eres mi custodio,  
Pues la bondad divina me ha encomendado a ti,  
Illuminame, dirigeme, guardame. Amen.*

*Prayer to the Guardian Angel  
Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom  
God's love commits me here,  
Ever this day, be at my side,  
To light and guard, rule and guide. Amen.*

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## HISTORY

The Scalabrinian Lay Movement, rooted in the vision of Blessed Giovanni Battista Scalabrini, is an organization dedicated to supporting and advocating for migrants and refugees. Scalabrini, an Italian bishop of the late 19th and early 20th centuries, was deeply concerned about the plight of Italian immigrants, particularly those who faced challenges in adapting to new cultures and environments.

### Historical Background

1. **Founding of the Congregation:** Giovanni Battista Scalabrini founded the Congregation of the Missionaries of Saint Charles (Scalabrinians) in 1887. His mission was to serve the spiritual and social needs of migrants, emphasizing the importance of community and support for those who were uprooted from their homes.
2. **Focus on Migration:** Scalabrini's work was particularly significant during a time when mass migrations were occurring, especially from Italy to the Americas. He recognized the hardships faced by migrants and sought to provide them with pastoral care, education, and advocacy.
3. **Laity's Role:** Scalabrini believed that laypeople could play a vital role in the mission of supporting migrants. He encouraged the involvement of the laity in the church's

outreach efforts, emphasizing that they could contribute significantly to the pastoral care of migrants.

#### Development of the Lay Movement

1. **Formation of Lay Associations:** Following Scalabrini's vision, various lay associations began to form in the early 20th century. These groups aimed to assist migrants in their integration into new societies, providing support in areas such as housing, employment, and cultural adaptation.

2. **Expansion of the Movement:** The Scalabrinian Lay Movement expanded globally, particularly in regions with significant migrant populations, including North America, South America, and Europe. The movement adapted to the specific needs of migrants in different contexts, addressing issues such as legal assistance, social services, and advocacy for migrant rights.

3. **Recognition and Structure:** Over time, the Scalabrinian Lay Movement gained recognition within the broader Catholic Church. It established a formal structure, with national and international gatherings to promote collaboration among laypeople engaged in migrant ministry.

#### Contemporary Relevance

1. **Ongoing Advocacy:** Today, the Scalabrinian Lay Movement continues to advocate for the rights and dignity of migrants. It addresses contemporary issues such as human trafficking, refugee crises, and the challenges posed by globalization.

2. **Global Network:** The movement has developed a global network of laypeople, religious, and clergy working together to support migrants. This includes partnerships with various organizations, both religious and secular, to enhance the effectiveness of their outreach.

3. **Spiritual and Educational Initiatives:** The Scalabrinian Lay Movement also emphasizes spiritual growth and education for its members, fostering a deeper understanding of the challenges faced by migrants and the theological underpinnings of their mission.

#### Conclusion

The Scalabrinian Lay Movement represents a vital response to the ongoing challenges of migration in the modern world. Rooted in the compassionate vision of Blessed Giovanni Battista Scalabrini, it embodies a commitment to justice, service, and community for migrants and refugees, striving to uphold their dignity and support their integration into society. The movement's historical evolution reflects the changing landscape of migration and the enduring importance of solidarity and advocacy in the face of human displacement. *(By Maria Sorrentino)*

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