Fr. ENZO ADDARI



Born in Corcumello (Aq), Abruzzi province, Italy, came to the USA a couple of year after his ordination.

He is a member of the Servants of Charity, a religious congregation founded by St. Louis Guanella in 1908, which is dedicated to the care of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, seniors and parishes in low income areas.

He came to Michigan in 1993 after finishing his master degree in education administration at Villanova University in Pennsylvania. At the time he was appointed assistant administrator of the St. Louis Center in Chelsea, Michigan.

He was a member of the organizing committee for the Jubilee Day for people PwI/DD in the year 2000, December 3, and wrote all the texts used for this Jubilee Celebration.

Since 2008 he's been running the St. Louis Center, a residential facility for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (PwI/DD). Under his tenure the Center has moved from an institution to a Village where people PwI/DD and people without can live on the same campus creating an integrated village.

He is also involved with many organizations, offering reassurance to many that God loves them.

He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Alhambra International, chaplain of the Manresa Caravan, member of few Italian Clubs: Italian American Italian Club of Livonia, Italian American Club of Lansing, Federazione Abruzzese del Michigan, and chaplain of the Italian Cultural Center.

His dream is to see the completion of the construction of the St. Louis Guanella Village as a new way of providing residential services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities who are aging and don't have anyone to care for them. This for him is the call of the Gospel: to bring hope to many people.