Kathie Uhler, OSF, Allegany, NY returns to ministry at Franciscans International

Sister Kathie is serving once again on the staff of Franciscans International/New York (FINY), this time in a new role as Advocacy Officer. In this role, she will represent FI at the UN on matters concerning, among other things: the status of women, poverty, and the environment. Crucial to this role is the involvement of Franciscans within various UN forums around the world. For this collaboration, Kathie will concentrate particularly on Franciscan networks and grassroots in Canada and the USA. Kathie ministered at FI as co-director from 1993 to 2001. You may contact Kathie at: uhler@fiop.org. The Franciscan International website is: www.FranciscansInternational.org.

See the new ITALIAN CATHOLIC ONLINE MAGAZINE at: (www.italiancatholiconline.com).

The purpose of this new website is to make known the important contributions Italians and Italian-American Catholics have made, and are making to the Church through evangelization. Two of our patron saints, along with the Blessed Mother, are Secular Franciscans, Mother Cabrini and Padre Pio.

We are hoping that our ONLINE MAGAZINE will inspire other ethnic Catholic communities to make known and celebrate the rich orthodox traditions of their forefathers.

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