New Jerusalem Church of the Celestial Messenger: Archival Inventory

This archival inventory of a collection, deposited with Professor Magnus Lundberg at the Department of Theology, Uppsala University, consists of records and objects from the New Jerusalem Church of the Celestial Messenger, Chicago. It was a religious group that can be said to have existed from the early 1910s to the early 1990s. However, it is debatable when it became a formalized religious group and when, if at all, the church formally ended its activities, as the administrative and jurisdictional particulars are complex. From the late 1910s through the early 1960s, Sicilian-born Giuseppe Maria Abbate (1886–1963), the founder and church leader, claimed to be a celestial messenger, Messagero Celeste, and later God/Christ reincarnate, the Celestial Father, Padre Celeste.

Nevertheless, the records found in this collection do not have the character of a 'complete archive' that grew organically from the activities of the New Jerusalem Church of the Celestial Messenger/Sacred Heart of Jesus Church. Instead, it includes well-selected parts from a larger archive destroyed in the early 1990s. These parts were rescued shortly before the general destruction.

The Church of the Celestial Messenger was formally founded in 1917, when it acquired a building in downtown Chicago to house the Sacred Heart church. The entity received official status in Illinois in 1919. Over time, the church included a religious order with a female and a male branch, called the Order of Our Most Blessed Lady, Queen of Peace Reincarnated, and the Order of the Celestial Messenger. Abbate just ordained one priest. That was in the late 1910s, and he, who was also consecrated as a bishop, left the church in the early 1920s. Still, from the 1920s onward, priests from various independent Catholic groups said Mass at the Sacred Heart Church.

At his death in 1963, Abbate had not appointed a successor, and he entrusted the Abbess of the Order of Our Most Blessed Lady, Queen of Peace Reincarnated, with finding one. From 1965 onwards, the Sacred Heart parish, then located in northern Chicago, and the newly established mission in Wheaton, Illinois, were pastored by Archbishop John E. Schweikert (1924–1988) of the North American Old Roman Catholic Church. In a sense, the two parishes belonged to both the New Jerusalem Church of the Celestial Messenger and the North American Old Roman Catholic Church. Still, the Abbess hesitated to make Schweikert Abbate's formal successor.

Eventually, in 1968, Schweikert received this office after taking an oath, e.g., confessing that Abbate's miracles were genuine and even that he was a 'supernatural being.' After this confession, Schweikert became Santo Padre Maria Michael, Abbate's successor and the sole trustee of the church. Still, he seems to have worked towards making the congregation more orthodox, and less Abbate-oriented. Nevertheless, records, photos, and objects related to Abbate abounded in the parish and convent premises, including an altar in the chapel featuring him and the reincarnated Virgin Mary.

Shortly before he died in 1988, Schweikert consecrated Theodore Rematt (1945–2016) as his successor. No oath was involved, nor were the nuns or the congregation at large.

Conflicts had existed between the Abbate believers and Schweikert, but he seemed quite pragmatic. That situation would not last under Rematt's leadership.

When he took over responsibility for the congregation, Bishop Rematt did not know that most of the faithful believed in the reincarnate Celestial Father; he believed it was a more ordinary independent Catholic parish. In 1989, however, Rematt learned of this. After receiving a phone call, he found hidden documentation that led him to understand the situation. Consequently, he became very upset.

After his discovery, severe clashes broke out between the archbishop and the Abbate believers in the congregation (others were involved as well). Excommunications and legal processes ensued between 1990 and 1995. Rematt could claim to be the sole trustee of the church, ironically stating that he was the lawful successor of Abbate. At the same time, the Abbate-believing parishioners thought that they, as a community, had not had their say and that Schweikert could not name a successor on his own, but needed the community's, basically the nuns', authorization, and that Rematt was required to take an oath of obedience to the teachings of Abbate, which, of course, would not happen. As the sole trustee, Rematt won the legal battles.

In the early 1990s, Rematt decided to erase Abbate's memory from his parish, for example, by expelling the nuns from their convent. He went through the church compound, collected every record, image, and object he could find, and disposed of them. He also sold some items of monetary value, including Abbate's crown. At first, Rematt intended to give a researcher access to the written material, but eventually sent it for destruction.

Still, quite many documents escaped destruction, those that constitute this collection. They likely came from the convent and from individual adherents. After being rescued, they were kept in a member's home. Even if the documents are a part of the original archive, they do not seem to be randomly amassed. Most documents are central to comprehending Abbate's biography, self-understanding, supernatural claims, miracles, and his persecution narrative. However, the collection also includes propaganda material, including leaflets, posters, and, not least, photographs, often in multiple copies.

Most of the records – originals and copies – are from the Abbate era. Still, the collection includes post-Abbate photos and documents. A crucial part of the collection is the Abbate faithful August Pastorello's (1952–1993) transcription of his 1990–1991 interviews with Sister Bernadette Maria Beninato (1925–2020), the by far youngest of the two surviving nuns of Abbate's order, who at this period was about to be evicted from the convent in which they lived. With Sister Bernadette's help, he intended to safeguard the history of the Celestial Father and the New Jerusalem Church of the Celestial Messenger.

Pastorello prepared a manuscript on the New Jerusalem Church and, not least, its founder. Nevertheless, it remained unpublished due to his early death, and by the mid-1990s, the Abbate believers were shattered. By that time, if not before, the New Jerusalem Church of Celestial Messenger was no more, at least not in any collective sense, though Abbate believers remained and to some extent remain.

It is difficult to determine what kind of material Bishop Rematt destroyed. However, the present collection contains very few files on individual church members. Most of Abbate's correspondence was likely destroyed. The present collection includes only a limited number of letters. The documents mention that Abbate kept a diary. It is not extant. Rematt also disposed of copies of photos and propaganda material printed in large numbers, which are found in this collection. In short, this collection of records is part of a much larger archive, chosen to preserve the history of Abbate and his church.

From the early 1990s onwards, the collection remained in the custody of a member in Chicago. In 2017, an antique dealer encountered the records and objects, more than a hundred kilos, in a garage and bought them as part of an estate. At the time, he contacted some institutions that should have had an interest in the material, but without success. In the fall of 2021, he re-encountered the material when he was about to move his business to another locality. He then searched online for information about the Celestial Messenger and found the book about him and the New Jerusalem Church that Magnus Lundberg co-published with Fr. James Craig in 2018. He then contacted Lundberg, who, with help from the Department of Theology at Uppsala University, acquired the collection in September 2021.

To preserve and organize the collection, I took several measures. Upon arrival, the records were in disarray, basically thrown into eleven large boxes. There was hardly any traceable internal order. To support long-term conservation, I first removed all plastic files and folders holding many of the records. I disposed of paper clips and other metal materials that had already damaged the material and risked causing further damage. Some of the plastic was heavily moldy, and some of the metal was rusted. With these precautions, the records were generally in fair condition, though moisture had affected them. To minimize the odor, I used baking soda. After that, I organized the documents in basic thematic order, dividing them into 17 volumes, including folio-sized archival boxes, rolls, and larger boxes.

Vol. 1

Abbate's Life and Legal Matters

Abbate's Early Biography and Relatives
- "Memori Storiche della famiglia Abbate d'Isnello", 1929
- Documents about Abbate's father's biography, 1925, 1931, 1941.
- Letter from the mayor of Isnello concerning Abbate's migration to the U.S. in 1901, dated 1906.
- Letter from the mayor of Isnello certifying the good reputation of the Abbate family, 1919.
- Genealogical notes, compiled by Abbate, 1932.
- Certificate of Abbate's passport, 1901, dated 1906.
- Notes from an interview with Abbate's nephew Constantino Cipolla, 1978.
- Transcripts of interviews with Sister Mary Bernadette about Abbate's early life, 1991.

- Notes about Abbate's relatives, early 1990s
- *Voce Amica*, a Roman Catholic magazine, published in Isnello, one issue, 1991.
- Abbate's declaration of intention to become a U.S. citizen, 1915.
- Abbate's applications for naturalization, 1938, 1950, and 1952.
- Photos of Abbate's relatives.

Legal Processes against Abbate
- Affidavit made by Emilia Lombardo, testifying that her 1922 accusations against Abbate were false, 1934.
- Affidavit made by Mary Vitiello, testifying that her daughter's accusations against Abbate were false, 1932.
- Letters from Mary Vitiello to Abbate about her daughter's accusations, 1931.
- Letter from Dr. Joseph Audino declaring Abbate mentally sane, 1931.
- Photos and declarations of confession and repentance by Emilia Lombardo and Benevuta Di Giorgi, 1929.
- Subpoena requiring a group of people to testify in the trial against Abbate, 1923.
- Affidavit made by a group of people "who saw Lucy Vitiello at Mr. and Mrs. Reggio's home."
- "Record of the ransacking of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Church," 1932.
- "Le Sofferenze del Messaggero Celeste," series of pictures, 1941.
- Notes about the Vitiello trial.
- Transcript of an interview with Sr. Mary Bernadette about the persecutions against Abbate from the 1920s through the 1950s, 1991.
- Transcript of part of the records of the Criminal Court of Cook County, the Vitiello case, 1931.
- Transcript of part of the records of the Supreme Court of Illinois, the Vitiello case, 1932
- Abbate: "My alibi," 1932.
- Abbate: "My record of eventful dates during my commitment at Chicago Psychopathic Hospital and Elgin State Hospital," 1932–1933.
- Notes about "the victory of Padre Celeste," i.e., his final release from Elgin Hospital, 1935, transcript of an interview with Sr. Mary Bernadette, 1991.

Vol. 2

Abbate's Theology and Self-Understanding 1

- Letter from Abbate to Dr. Jackson at Elgin Hospital about his status as the Celestial Messenger, 1933.
- "Transcript of a letter from Abbate to Dr. Jackson, [and] to the staff of the Doctors of Elgin State Hospital, February 28, 1933," 29 pp.
- "Biblical references regarding the New Jerusalem Church of the Celestial Messenger."
- Numerological Notes.

- "Abbate Giuseppe Maria di Carmelo, the 7th Angel promised by our God, reincarnated amongst us or the Archangel Michael."
- "The words of our God concerning his return through reincarnation."
- Christ's ordination of Abbate to the priesthood, 1906.
- "Words written about the Celestial Messenger and his Church by George D. Quinn," c. 1926.
- Letter from Abbate to George D. Quinn, 1928.
- "Seven leading men in Genesis. Seven types of the Celestial Messenger."
- "Why? Why? Why?: Questions concerning the Celestial Messenger answered by the Holy Bible", 1933.
- "The Priest and his Sacred Duties."
- Records about the first, second, and third prophetic visions of the Celestial Messenger and other important apparitions.
- "Ricevuta della mia sacra corona dopo essere confiscata, 1922", 1928.

Vol. 3

Abbate's Theology and Self-Understanding 2

- "The Sending and the Arrival of the Celestial Messenger, The Prince of Peace on our Earth. July 17. 1885–January 8. 1886, article by Charles V. Power offered it on Tuesday 2 P.M. April 14 1942. Dictated and Related by Padre Celeste Himself", 57 pp.
- "Article about Padre Celeste By Charles V. Power May 13–1942 and Offered on Thursday May 14/1942, Feast of the Ascension Day. 5", 55 pp.
- "Article of Charles V. Power Concerning: Padre Celeste a Type of Jacob, Melchisedeck, David, Moses", 62 pp. [Three fascicles; the part about Moses lacking]
- "My Divine Ordination to My Priesthood June 22, 1906 2:30 P.M. @ 61 W. Polk St., Chicago, Ill. Article by Charles V. Power Dictated by Padre Celeste. Made on Monday March 23/1942", 38 pp.
- "Circular for My Divine Manifestation. Article by Charles V. Power, Chicago, Ill 1942." 29 pp.
- Notebook, marked "Deluxe"; notes on pp. 38-40, 42-43, 49, 56, 60-61, 71, 74-76, including lists of miracles and interpretations of God's and Abbate's names.
- "Copy of My Charter of Chicago, Ill. County of Cook, Filed for Record 1919–May 19 P.M. 2:30 and Recorded in Book 15334 of Record Page 231 Joseph F. Haas. Agreement and Declaration of Trust. May 2. 1919."
- "A Record of Padre Celeste's Coronation's Date Easter Sunday April 4–1920. Written by the Ex-Bishop Lumeno Monte whose secular name was Nicola Capra: Servizio religioso tenutosi nella Chiesa Cattolica La Nuova Gerusalemme del Messagiero Celeste nella Domenica delle Palme – La Settimana Santa ed il Giorno di Pasqua in Chicago Ills. March 21, 1921", 3 pp.
- Certificate of Abbate's recovery from the Spanish influenza, 1918.

- Receipt of the embroidered flag marking the 25th anniversary of the New Jerusalem Church of the Celestial Messenger, 1942.

Forms
- Certificate of Marriage forms
- Padre Celeste's stationery
- "Formula della domanda per l'ammissione di un nuovo membro alla Congregazione Cattolica Il Messaggero Celeste e la Vergine Maria SS. Reincarnata."
- "Connotation for Our Members' Identification."

Vol. 4

History of the Church and Biography of Abbate

- August Pastorello's "Blessed is He who Came in the Name of the Lord," 49 pp. c. 1992, manuscript on Abbate's spiritual biography and the history of the New Jerusalem Church of the Celestial Messenger (two versions).
- Notes on the Celestial Messenger.
- Transcript of interviews with Sister Mary Bernadette, 1991–1992 (c. eight hours).

Vol. 5

Church Publications

- *L'Araldo della Chiesa Cattolica La Nuova Gerusalemme del Messaggero Celeste,* Official Church Magazine. (1926–1928, 1958) vol. I:1 (8 pp), I:2 (15 pp), I:3 (18 pp), I:4 (14 pp), I:5 (18 pp), I:6–I:7–I:8 (lacking), I:9 (30 pp), I:10 (34 pp), I:11–12 (42 pp), II:13–14 (34 pp), II:15–18 (82 pp), III:19-24. Separate issue January 8, 1958 (Padre Celeste's 72nd birthday, summary of earlier texts published in the magazine).
- *Statuto e Regolamento della Sacra congregazione Il Messaggero Celeste e la Vergine Maria SS. Reincarnata appartenente e controllata dalla Chiesa Cattolica La Nuova Gerusalemme del Messaggero Celeste. Incorporata come diritto consuetudinario di fede sotto le leggi dello Stato Illinois a Chicago, Ill., dal 2 Maggio 1919. Organizata il 28 Marzo 1925.* 65 pp. [Printed volume]
- English translation of the laws and regulations of the Sacred Congregation of the Celestial Messenger and the Most Holy Reincarnated Virgin Mary, 1925. (Manuscript, early 1990s).

Vol. 6

Printed Material

- "The Apparition of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary to the Celestial Messenger 1898."
- "The Defeat of Satan, 1910."

- "The Divine apparition in St. Mary's Church, 1912."
- "The First Prophetic Vision of the Celestial Messenger, 1913."
- "La Seconda Visione Profetica del Messagero Celeste 1913."
- "Terza Visione Profetica del Messagero Celeste Prima della Guerra Mondiale e della Pace 1913."
- "Eternal Father shows himself to a faithful of the Celestial Messenger, 1914."
- "La Meravigliosa Grotta dell'Immacolata Concezione nel Tempio della Nuova Gerusalemme."
- "The wonderful Grotto of the Immaculate Conception, given by the Celestial Messenger and the Blessed Virgin Mary February 6, 1927."
- "The Star of Bethlehem Returned to Isnello 1886 January 8; [and] May 10, 1910; March 22, 1920 and September 1941 over Chicago."
- "The Most Blessed Virgin Reincarnated. The Heavenly Queen of Peace. Pax Nobis. Graziina Ippolito Ora Pro Nobis. Chicago, Ill. November 21, 1915–November 21, 1944."
- "Pax Vobis: Abbate Giuseppe Maria di Carmelo: The Prince of Peace Reincarnated."
- "Il Primo Presepe Moderno che si Espone Annualmente nel Tempio della Nuova Gerusalemme del Messaggero Celeste in Occasione del Suo Compleanno Otto Gennaio."
- Bishop Lumeno Monte: "Io non vi lasceró orfani, Io torneró a Voi: Evangelo S. Giovanni, Cap XIV: 18", 1921.

Pictures/Posters

Artist: J. Ripozzo (1927)

- "The Sceptre of the Celestial Messenger or the Humanated Angel with God's Name."
- Apparition in the Church of St. Mary, 1912.

Artist: Frank Rodolfo (1928)

- "The Eternal Father Shows Himself in Vision to a Faithful of the Celestial Messenger."
- "The Sending, the Coming and the Ordination of the Celestial Messenger. Gift by the Celestial Messenger to His Faithfuls in the Recurrence of his 41st birth day [sic!]."

Artist: J.B. Sanders (1941–1942)

- "The Arrival of the Celestial Messenger, the Prince of Peace on Earth."
- The Celestial Messenger's Vision: "Note and Publish the Visions"
- "The Coronation of the Celestial Messenger by God the Father, 1916."
- "La Divina Ordinazione del Messaggero Celeste a Sacerdote dal Signore, 1906."
- Visions outside St. Mary Church, 1912, and at Elgin State Hospital, 1934.
- "The Return of Israel to the Holy Land."
- "The Revenge and Defeat of Satan, 1910."
- Star over Sacred Heart Church: This is my Beloved Son-Hear Ye Him.
- "The Sufferings of the Celestial Messenger."

- "The Trial of the True Celestial Messenger and the False Christ and false prophets. Our Lord Jesus Christ teaches his Celestial Messenger His Reincarnation, Compared to a Butterfly, 1923."

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Documentation of Miracles/Manifestations

- "A Miraculous Sign in the Sky," 1906
- "Un altro miracolo: Un ragazzo cieco, che riceve la vista dal Messagero Celeste, Il Reverendissimo Giuseppe Maria Abbate di Carmelo, e la Sua Santissima Madre, La Madonna di Gibilmanna," 1911 (Printed leaflet, 1920s).
- "Testimonianza verace di 7 miracoli divini operato dal Messaggero Celeste, Il Reverendissimo Giuseppe Maria Abbate di Carmelo, Il Padre Celeste, a Chicago, Illinois", 1911–1918; testimony by Paola Costa Abbate in 1955.
- "La Risureezino di una morta", 1911 (Affidavit, 1937).
- "Il Messaggero Celeste Comanda I Venti e Questi ubbidiscono", 1912. (Printed leaflet).
- Graces received by Jenny, John, and Margaret Riggio 1912, 1915, 1917, 1925 (Original Letters).
- "A Miracle Granted to Mary di Paola in 1913 who was Blind."
- "A Statement of a Miraculous Grace Granted to Mrs. Mary Frandaca by the Celestial Messenger, at Chicago, Illinois on June 13, 1917."
- Miraculous cure at the birth of Antoinette Frandaca, 1917. (Letter, dated 1936)
- Miraculous cure of Enrico Farano, 1918. (Letters from his mother, dated 1936).
- Letter about a grace received from a friend of Lou E. Young's, 1918. (Original letter)
- "Certificate of Dr. G. Monaco for my Illness of Spanish Flue in 1918, November 2. Important Date for me." (Copy)
- Affidavit about the miraculous cure of Joseph Martello, Paralytic, October 11, 1919, signed March 3, 1937. (Copy)
- Graces received by Agostino, Theresa, and Mary Musacchio, 1919, 1921, 1922.
- "Il Miracolo ad una bambina cieca nel Sacro Tempio della Nuova Gerusalemme del Messagero Celeste", Vitina de Rosa, 1919, printed in the 1920s.
- "A bright star appears over Chicago, 1920".
- "The Sign of the sun, 1920".
- "Oltre il cielo e oltre le stelle, si estende la podestá di Nostro Padre Celeste: e di un fenomeno, grandioso, e meraviglioso; Ne diede la prova del fenomeno", 1920. 7 pp.
- "Il piú Grandioso Miracolo: La Risurrezione di Una Morta Operato dal Nostro Messagero Celeste del Sacro Tempio della Chiesa Cattolica La Nuova Gerusalemme del Messaggero Celeste a 2021 De Kalb Street Chicago, Ill. 1920."
- "A Paralytic That Walks. Another Powerful Miracle Worked by the Spirit of Our God, From the Most Blessed Sacrament; and By the Celestial Messenger Before the High Altar of the Sacred Temple of the New Jerusalem Catholic Church of the Celestial Messenger at 2021 DeKalb St.-Chicago, Ill. A.D. 1920." (printed leaflet)
- "A Miracle to a Dumb Child Granted by the Most Blessed Virgin Mary Reincarnated on Her Birthday, November 21, 1920."

- "Declaration of a Miracle Granted by Our Celestial Messenger, The Most Reverend Giuseppe (Joseph) Maria Abbate, di Carmelo, Padre Celeste to One of His Members, Angelina Marmando Salomone, who was Struck by a Paralysis, and Healed Immediately by the Anointing of Holy Oil (Isaiah, XLIII:10)", 1921.
- Graces received by Angeline M. Riggio, 1914, 1921.
- Cure of Flora Cipriani, daughter of Nunzio and Mary Cipriani, 1923. Letter and affidavit, dated 1937.
- Graces received; Benny Geraci, 1923.
- Graces received; Mike and Mary Falco, 1923.
- "Fotografia di una testimonianza verace da Vicenza Buonocore, John (Giovanni) Buonocoro, Anna Buonocore nel 1928.", paralysis, ulcer, letters from 1936.
- Affidavit: Miracle Curing of a Dumb Girl, Angelina Anchingola, 1928, and a relic of her clothes.
- The miraculous cure of Elena Farano, 1927.
- "Article of the 1934 drought by Charles V. Power."
- "Declaration: The Celestial Messenger broke a terrible prophesized drought by sending the first rain on June 3, 1934."
- "The miraculous cure of Elena Farano, 1936."
- Vision of a Roman army on the wall in the room in Isnello where Abbate was born, 1936.
- "Declaration of a Supernatural Divine Miracle: Performed by Our Celestial Messenger, Most Reverend Giuseppe Maria Abbate, di Carmelo, Padre Celeste. In favor of the Suffering Humanity, Rigid Weather 1936."
- Letter asking for a grace, June 18, 1940 and Letter about grace received by Biagio Montalvano, New Orleans, July 15, 1940.
- Jacqueline Ann Autin, Louisiana, grace received, letters sent via Biagio Montalvano 1954.
- B. Brune, Louisiana, grace received, letter sent via Biagio Montalvano 1954.
- Testimony about a grace received in 1940, letter from Carmela R. Krisoli, 1975
- Abbate's sermons about miracles, 1953–1955.
- Interview with Sr. Mary Bernadette about Abbate's miracles, 1991.
- Photos of people cured by the Celestial Messenger.
- *Another Portentuous Divine Supernatural Miracle, Performed by Our Celestial Messenger. 40,000 Unemployed Starving People in Chicago, Ill., Fed Through a Beneficent Snow-Fall, Happened Through the Divine Power of Our Celestial Messenger on March 25, 1930*. 19 pp. (printed pamphlet)
- *Another Powerful Supernatural Divine Miracle, Worked by Our Celestial Messenger. He Rebuked the Terrific and Uprising Floods, Commanding Them to Cease and to Recede, and These Obeyed HIM (Psalm 89:9.) Psalm. 114:3–5.) St. Matthew, 28:18). And so, HE Saved 16 States of America, and Other Nations of the World from Chicago, Ill., on March 16, A. D. 1936–1937*. (printed pamphlet)

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- Announcement Book, including notes from 1924, 1935–1943, 1952.
- Calendar of important dates in the history and theology of the New Jerusalem Church.
- "Prayer for the soul of the faithful departed."
- Interview with Sr. Mary Bernadette concerning Abbate's priests, 1991.
- Rev. George D. Quinn, "First Brief Outline of the Catholic Church, The New Jerusalem of the Celestial Messenger," 1926.
- "List of boys and girls who received the sacrament of confirmation, May 15, 1938".
- "Formula della domanda per l'amissione di un nuovo membro alla Congregazione Cattolica Il Messaggero Celeste e la Vergine Maria SS. Reincarnata."
- Form: "Last will and testament."
- Common Law Trust records, 1919.
- Poetry, Verses, Songs.
  - "The Living God. Most Holy Trinity. Padre Celeste", Charles V Power, 1942.
  - "Shine! Shine! O New Jerusalem", George D. Quinn, 1928.
  - "Spirito Santo, Il verbo r'incarnato", Paolina M. Lazarra.
  - "Canzione di Maria".
  - "Poesia a San Guiseppe come Patriarca Supremo".
  - "A Maria nostra sperenza"
  - "A Gesù Ritornato".
  - "Canzoncina a Maria Reincarnata", Giovannina P. Riggio.
  - "Piccola Poesia alla Bandiera del Signore degli eserciti", M.G. Mogavero, 1942 (two versions).
  - "Dapo tanto soffrire letizia, gioia e vittoria del Nostro Dio per il sette sette giugno", R. Lazzara, 1942.
  - "La Bandiera del Signore", Paolina Lazzara, 1942.
  - "Poesia alla Regina della Pace Reumanata", Paolina Lazzara, 1942.
  - "Poesia della vergine Maria: Bel maggio a ritornato",Giovannina P Riggio, 1930
  - "Yo ti adoro e rendo grazii a amabelissimo e sacratissimo Cuore di Gesù", Giuseppe Barrile, 1931
  - "Salutare della sera del Messagero Celeste alla Vergine rincarnata"
  - "Salve de Cielo Regina", Paolina M. Lazarra, 1928.
  - "Al Mill ottocento ottanda sei"
  - "Dal Cielo é discesa Maria nostra avvocata", Paolina M. Lazarra.
  - "Scendesti dalle stele, O spirito fatte carne", Paolina M. Lazarra.
  - "Amore ed invito: Vieni, vieni, o mio Signore"
  - "Per volontà divina", 1927.
  - "No inducari in tentazione".
  - "Devozione e preghiera".
  - "O Spirito Santo che in terra sei venuto".
  - "Benedetta la Sicilia dove tu sei nato", Pietro D. Julis, 1917.
  - "Mamma santa mamma pura".

"Gloria in Eccelso a Dio con festa e gioia"
"Il tuo nome sia esaltatato, Iddio nostro creatore", Giuseppe Barrile, 1921.
"O Gesù addolorato".
"Al Sagro Cuore di Gesù: I canti pui sublimi".
"Le soffrenze di Gesù e Maria", Giovanina P. Riggio.
"Al ventun una stella e venuta".
"Ad un essere divino".
"Yo vorrei dire due parole", Illuminata Liponi.
"Spirito Santo che in terra veniste", Giovaninna Passarelli.
"O divino spirito santo", Gabriela Impale, 1914.
"Angelo del Cielo ci seri portato la bandiera Vittorio Pace", Elena Farano.
"Vergine bella, ti dono il mìo cuore"
"Al Divino Messagero".

- Abbate, "Altri Versetti bibblici per la mia divina manifestazione"
- Abbate, Glory in the Almighty God. Peace to the world. Obedience to the Heavenly Messenger."
- "Prayer after the sermon"
- "Missa pro defunctis."
- Charles V. Power, "Hymn, The Living God, Most Holy Trinity, Padre Celeste," 1942.
- The Nicene Creed
- "Passagi della Sacra Scrittura che formano la Santa Messa del Padre Celeste presi della sacra Bibbia Evangelica."

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- Photo album containing post-Abbate pictures from the 1960s and early 1970s, but also including some photos from the 1910s through 1950s.

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- Documents about Abbate's death, burial, and interment, including an interview with Sister Mary Bernadette, 1991.

- Documents about the North American Old Roman Catholic Church, including a letter from Archbishop Francis X. Resch (1878–1976), 1948.
- Abbate's: Post-mortem miracles (1967, 1971, 1975).
- Accounts of dreams about Abbate (Sr. Mary Bernadette and Archbishop John E. Schweikert).
- *Epistles of Immanuel*, Rev. George D. Quinn's magazine. One issue, the late 1920s.
- School work by Graziana Ippolito, the Reincarnated Virgin Mary.
- Christmas Cards sent to Abbate.
- Personal file on August Monachino and family.
- Personal file on Sister Mary Grace Falcone.
- Armorial Booklet.
- Two cassette tapes, interviews with Sister Mary Bernadette.
- Butterflies made of paper (a symbol for Christ's reincarnation in Abbate's theology).

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- Official diploma of the New Jerusalem Church of the Celestial Messenger
- "Pax Vobis: Biblical References about the New Jerusalem Church of the Celestial Messenger."
- Poster: Car Accidents
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