

# Hail, Mary!

~ Catholic Daughters of the Americas® ~ Court Prince Gallitzin #2625 ~ Summer 2019 ~

Judy Wood, Regent — Altoona, Pennsylvania

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## Court Prince Gallitzin #2625 Celebrates Tenth Anniversary! August 18, 2019



Pictured front to back, left to right are Rae Kapfhammer; Connie Montler; Regina Friedenberger; Diana Macharola; Annette Ajay; Joanie Kopnick, District Deputy; Mary Grace Horton; Karen Castegnola, Financial Secretary; Mary Kowalski, Vice Regent; Judy Wood, Regent; Rev. D. Timothy Grimme, Chaplain; Donna Hoover, Recording Secretary; Pattie Fromknecht, Treasurer; Sally Lockard; Theresa DeAngelis; Mary Stoy; Karen Watt; Carol Galioto, and April Lauver. Absent from the picture are Margaret Novak, Past State Regent; Darlene Crum; Nancy Collins; Jennifer Crum-Waite; Theresa Funtal; and, Breanna Langenbacher.

## Special Dates From Now to December

From the National Quarterly  
Essie Walker, National Secretary–Treasurer  
Pennsylvania National Supervisor

- † Clean Up Day September 21
- † National Family Day September 26
- † Respect Life Sunday October 6
- † Columbus Day October 14
- † CDA Sunday October 20
- † Make a Difference Day October 26
- † White Ribbons Against Pornography Week October 28–November 3
- † Halloween October 31
- † All Saints Day November 1
- † Veteran’s Day November 11
- † World Kindness Day November 13
- † Thanksgiving Day November 28
- † Advent Begins December 1
- † The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary December 8
- † Our Lady of Guadalupe December 12
- † Christmas Eve December 24
- † Christ is Born December 25

Aim to make your celebrations enjoyable and memorable. Remember to invite Christ to be your honored guest at all celebrations.



## Anniversary Celebration August 18, 2019



# Our Purpose and Mission

The purpose of the organization is to participate in the religious, charitable, and educational Apostolates of the Church.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas strives to embrace the principle of faith working through love in the promotion of justice, equality and the advancement of human rights and human dignity for all.



## A Message from our Regent, Judy!

Serving all 11 Altoona parishes, our court started with 22 members from five of them and has grown to 23 members belonging to seven different parishes in Altoona and one parish in Macdonaldton. This may not seem like much growth, well not in number anyway. However, in 10 years, WE have all grown in so many ways!

We lost members and we gained members. And, as we did this, we developed friendships that we would have never developed, if we were not court members. We all grew in maturity and understanding of each other and other parishes.

Each of us have special memories of the last 10 years and I will share with you two of mine. Our second charitable Christmas was four years ago in 2015, but I remember this scene so well. We bought gifts for three children.

The father had just gotten custody of his three children and they had lived in warm climate. The cold of Pennsylvania was difficult for them. The little boy opened his blanket, he hugged it, and watched as his sisters opened theirs. He went to his father and said, "Look Daddy I won't get cold tonight, and the girls got one too"! He kept that blanket close to him as he opened his other gifts. He hugged it frequently and wouldn't let it be packed up to go home. He carried his blanket home with him and I understand it went to school with him too.

My second special memory is feeding those in need at our first Love Feast, December 27, 2014. One family cooked the meal and we all served it and baked the desserts. It was so much work preparing food and carrying it down the stairs and then serving it! But as I stood there and watched us all working together, with family members, and with big smiles on our faces, I thought, "This is working together in *Unity and Charity* for sure"!



## Loyalty ...

Loyalty, means never giving up on someone, even though (there's) doubts and differences. It's a noun, with action, fueled by shared experiences, which are memorable, meaningful, and irreplaceable. But loyalty isn't blind love. It shouldn't be taken for granted. Loyalty means telling someone when they're wrong, when no one else will. And loyalty means apologizing when you're wrong, because of the trust you've built over time. Loyalty is true friendship."

Willowdeen "Will" Dickson (Danielle Macdonald) in the movie "Dumplin"



After spending 2 Saturdays, working together in Unity and having a lot of fun, court members put together pillows, and lap blankets for nursing home residents, Then in a very charitable way, we went to Elmcroft, with lap blankets, Garvey Manor with 61 pillows and to Maybrook with lap blankets. We had a great time visiting with residents. We found some ladies who had been Catholic Daughters years ago. Our members benefitted from the day of giving, as much as the nursing home residents did!



Submitted by: Judy Wood, Regent



**Jim Nabors / Gomer Pyle / The Impossible Dream**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yJlgi0-UOng>



*"A job of any kind can be lifted up and given Divine purpose,  
if it is seen in the perspective of Eternity."*

Fulton Sheen  
*Finding True Happiness*

*"The day you realize that anything is possible with God is the day you realize just how unstoppable you are"*

Justin Fatica  
You're Amazing

## Marian Mass Days!

Submitted by Pattie F. Spiritual Enhancement Chair

**Monday, October 7, 2019, 8:00 AM**

Saint Mark—Celebrating Our Lady of the Rosary Feast Day  
Breakfast at Eat 'n Park

**Thursday, November 21, 2019, 7:45 AM**

Our Lady of Mount Carmel—Celebrating the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Feast Day  
Breakfast at Tom & Joes

**Sunday, December 8, 2019, 10:30 AM**

Our Lady of Fatima—Celebrating the Immaculate Conception Feast Day  
Lunch at Olive Garden

## Legislation—Choose Life

Submitted by Karen C., Legislation Chair

Your PA "Choose Life" License Plate Can Save Lives

You can replace your license plate with an official PennDOT issued CHOOSE LIFE license plate.

You do not have to wait until it is time to renew your registration. It will cost a little extra to replace your plate, but the extra money goes to pro-life organizations in the state. To apply

online go to [www.paprolife.org](http://www.paprolife.org) and click on the license plate in the lower right corner. To obtain a paper application call 717-541-0034.



**Our Lady of Mount Carmel First Holy Communion**



**Saint Rose of Lima Confirmation**

*"The virtue of patience is the essence of successful relationships."*

Matthew Kelly  
*The Long View*



*"What is really important is what*

*happens within us, not outside of us."*

Fulton Sheen  
*Finding True Happiness*





## Spiritual ... Fun ... Information ...

Submitted by Pattie F, Court #2625 Web Designer

Wisdom of Women Saints—Provided by Shirley Hall, State Regent

[cdapa.com/wisdom-women-saints.html](http://cdapa.com/wisdom-women-saints.html)

Altoona-Johnstown Diocesan Calendar

[dioceseaj.org/events/category/news-and-announcements/](http://dioceseaj.org/events/category/news-and-announcements/)

Altoona-Johnstown Parish Event Calendar

[dioceseaj.org/events/category/parish-events/](http://dioceseaj.org/events/category/parish-events/)

Catholic Daughters of the Americas® Important Dates

[catholicdaughters.org/events.shtml](http://catholicdaughters.org/events.shtml)

Catholic Daughters of the Americas® Quarterly Newsletter

[catholicdaughters.org/Qtr\\_Newsletter/QuarterlyNewsletter.shtml](http://catholicdaughters.org/Qtr_Newsletter/QuarterlyNewsletter.shtml)

Bible—Do Translations Matter?

[usccb.org/bible/understanding-the-bible/study-materials/articles/do-translations-matter.cfm](http://usccb.org/bible/understanding-the-bible/study-materials/articles/do-translations-matter.cfm)

Bible—Approved Translations

[usccb.org/bible/approved-translations/index.cfm](http://usccb.org/bible/approved-translations/index.cfm)

Bible—Study Materials

[usccb.org/bible/understanding-the-bible/study-materials/index.cfm](http://usccb.org/bible/understanding-the-bible/study-materials/index.cfm)

**“Humility  
is the  
pathway to  
knowledge.”**

Fulton Sheen  
*Finding True Happiness*

## Prayer of Transformation

Submitted by Pattie F, Spiritual Enhancement Chair

Written By Matthew Kelly

*The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity*

Lord,

Here I am.

I trust that you have an incredible plan for me.

Transform me. Transform my life.

Everything is on the table.

Take what you want to take,/

and give what you want to give.

I make myself a hundred percent/

available to you today.

Transform me into the person you created me to be,/

so I can live the life you envisioned for me/

at the beginning of time.

I hold nothing back.

I am a hundred percent available.

Lead me, challenge me, encourage me,/

and open my eyes to all your possibilities.

Show me what it is you want me to do, and I will do it.

Amen.

Serenity Prayer

God

Grant me ... the

Serenity

to accept the things I cannot change ... the

Courage

to change the things I can ... and the

Wisdom

to know the difference.

## Remember ... Court Dues!

\$25.00 is due at or before  
our September court meeting !

Make checks payable to:  
Catholic Daughters of the Americas

## Spiritual Enhancement

Submitted by Pattie F., Spiritual Enhancement Chair

**Novenas** In August was the novena to Saint Monica. Right now, September, we're praying the Marriage and Family novena.

**Marian Mass Days** through December, are shown on page five (5).

**Birth of Mary Celebration** Held on September 8, 2019 at Saint Catherine's of Siena at 5:00 PM

**Patriotic Rosary** Will be on November 2, 2019 at 2:00 PM at the Cathedral. Officers should arrive an hour ahead of time.

**Annual Global Rosary Relay for Priests** This is scheduled for June 19, 2020; we're planning on organizing another event.

## Quality of Life

Submitted by Pattie F., Quality of Life Chair

**Make a Difference Day! — Christmas Card Signing for Military, Shut-Ins, Veterans, Nursing / Veteran Homes** Our signing will be on the following Saturdays, October 12 and 26, 2019 from 1:00 until 3:30 PM in the Saint Rose of Lima Social Hall. Bring your Christmas cards, a pen (red, green, blue, black,...) with you! Get addresses to Pattie by November 11, 2019.

**Christmas Caroling / Game playing** Is being planned for area nursing and veterans homes. Let Pattie know if you're interested in participating!

**Warm Winter Sock Drive** We're collecting new (or nearly new) warm winter socks for those in need ... adults and children alike. Bring them to the October and November meetings.

## Treasury

Submitted by Pattie F., Treasurer

**Court Dues—\$25.00—is Now Due** See page seven (7) for more information

**2020 Budget** Our new Standing Rules have the committee meeting in September and October; presenting to the court in November; and, court voting in December. Anyone who is asking for court funds should let April, our chair, know *now*.

**Financial Review** It's that time—to review our books activity from April 1, 2019 through September 30, 2019. Mary Grace, our chair, will set this up during the month of October.

**Checks** All checks to the court, must be made payable to: Catholic Daughters of the Americas.

## Fundraising

Submitted by Pattie F., Fundraising Chair

**Amazon.com** – Go to [smile.amazon.com/ch/35-2368454](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/35-2368454) Amazon will donate a percentage of your qualified purchase to our court.

**Boscov's Friends Helping Friends** Keep selling your Boscov's Shopping Passes! Turn your money (and if you have any unsold passes) to Pattie anytime or on or before Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup>. Make checks payable to: Catholic Daughters of the Americas. The sale is on Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. We're scheduled to sell Shopping Passes on Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> and Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, both from 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM. The day of the sale we are scheduled to be there from 7:45 AM until Noon and Noon until 3:00 PM.

**Cash Raffle—50/25/15/10** Keep selling your cash raffle tickets – 50% to the court and 50% split three ways, 25%, 15%, 10%! Contact Pattie if you need more tickets. Turn your money (and if you have any unsold tickets) to Pattie anytime or on or before Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup>. Make checks payable to: Catholic Daughters of the Americas.

**Cash Cards** A participation agreement and order forms are online at [cda2625.com](https://cda2625.com); our order/pickup schedule is there too! Online programs, ScripNow! and Reload/ReloadNow!, are available! It's an easy, affordable way to help us, help our local community and beyond! The order form has recently been updated; it shows only a small sampling of the gift cards/ecards available. Local retailers available for either physical gift cards, ScripNow, or Reload/ReloadNow, are shown on the order form. If you're interested in learning more about the online purchasing program, where you can have many gift cards instantly, contact Pattie.

**50/50 at our court meetings!** Once again we will be having a 50/50 drawing at our monthly meetings. See Mary K. *before* the meeting to buy your tickets! The drawing takes place at 6:50 PM!

## Newsletter/Yearbook/Standing Rules/Prayers

Submitted by Pattie F., Editor/Publisher

**Newsletter** Fr. Grimme, our court officers, court chairs, or any court member are asked to submit an article, picture, or something you think would be of interest to members; please do so by Monday, November 11, 2019. Contact Pattie for more information.

**Yearbook / Standing Rules / Prayers** Pages will be updated with the current roster of members in good standing and updated standing rules and mailed in January 2020. If you have any prayers to include, send them to Pattie, now.