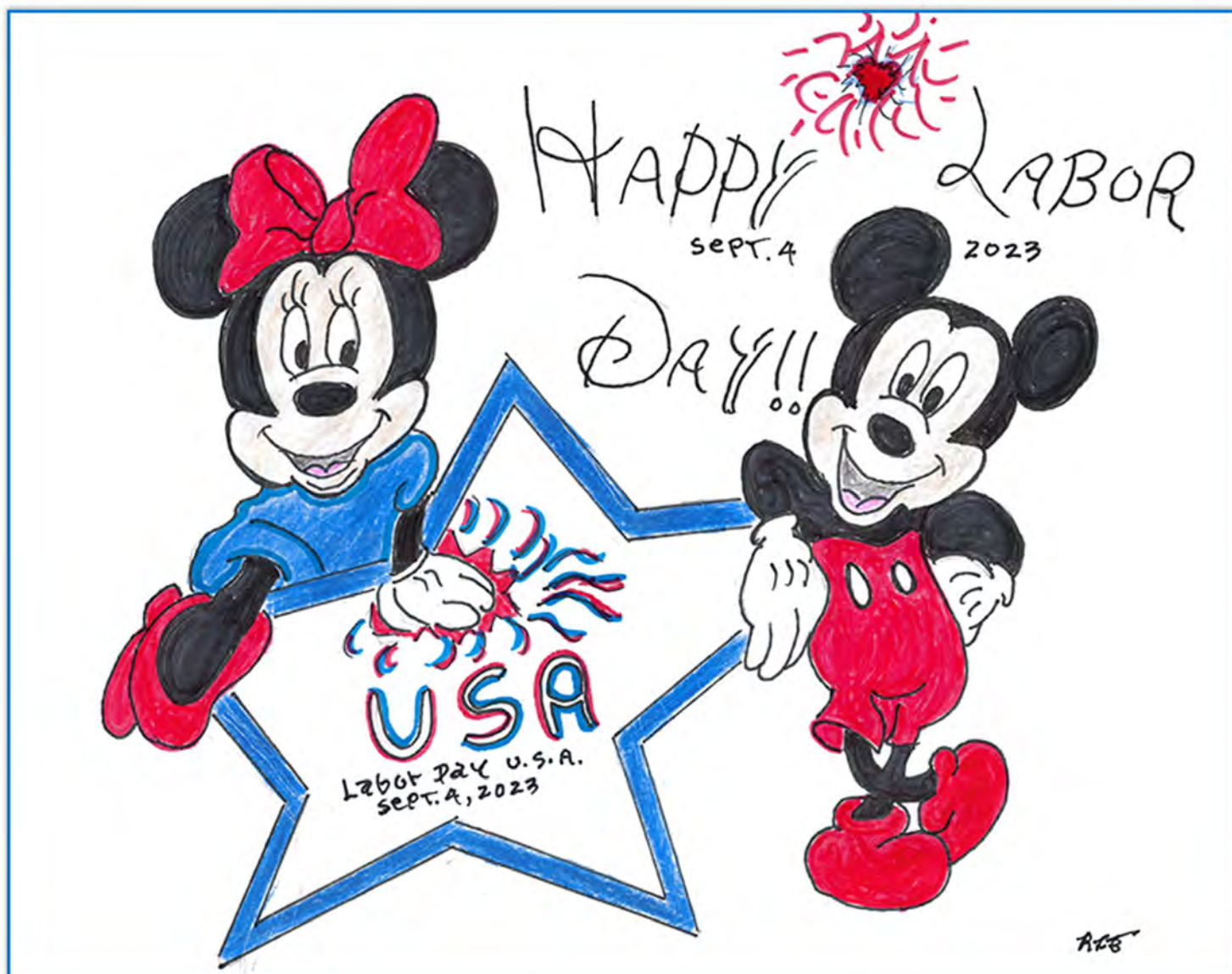




Hail, Mary!

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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.

Court Happenings

Birthday Bash Celebrations!

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Come, celebrate member birthdays on the first Saturday of each month!
Information will come to you via email and/or phone call or you can contact our regent!



June 2023



July 2023



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Newsletter Articles Wanted!

Please, submit articles to Pattie, by Wednesday,
November 15, 2023 Contact information is on the first page.

Join the Fun ... Share the Good News!

Local Court Regent, Chaplain, District Deputy, Officers, Chairmen,
Members, ... Local Diocese, Parishes; National, State, Altoona-
Johnstown Diocesan Local Court Officers, Directors, Chairmen, ...
Submissions can include a Circle of Love report; national, state, or
local court news; parish or local news, special events; pictures;
prayers; recipes; helpful hints; word games; puzzles;
points to ponder; and so on. Generally speaking ...
If you find it interesting, others might too!

Inclusion Revolution!

I pledge to look for the lonely, the isolated,
the left out, the challenged and the bullied.
I pledge to overcome the fear of difference
and replace it with the power of inclusion.

[I#chooseToInclude](#)



August 2023

Court Happenings Continued

2023 National Education Contest

Local and State Winners

*The contest themes: "We walk by faith, not by sight" 2 Corinthians 5:7 OR
"When do I have to lean on my faith more than sight?"*

Submitted by: Mary Grace



The 2023 local education contest award ceremonies were held at two separate parish Masses on June 18, 2023. Recipients from multiple Altoona parishes were given awards at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament and at Saint Rose of Lima. Additionally, our court was excited to present the Pennsylvania State first place award in Division 1 (Grades 4-5), Essay, to Reagan; her entry was forwarded to National representing our state. Congratulations to all our winners.

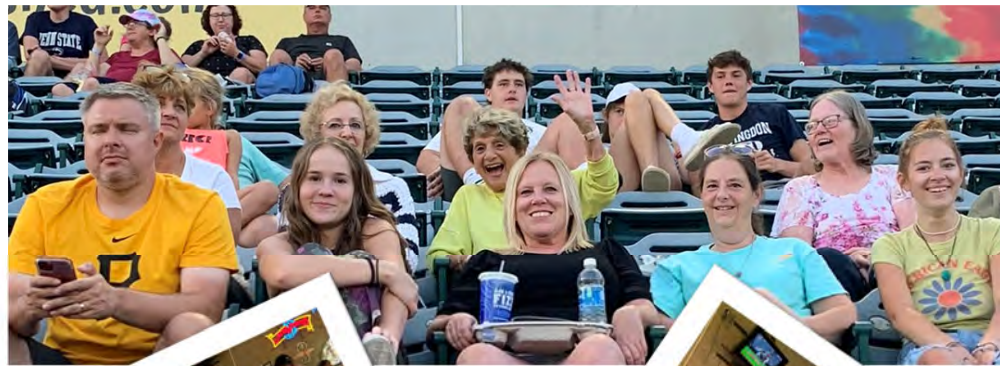
National winners, residing in our state, are listed on page 10.

Court Happenings Continued

Baseball Fun!

Altoona vs Erie—August 8, 2023!

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2023 Court Business Meetings!

September 11 6:30 PM Social
October 9 7:00 PM Business Meeting
November 13
December TBD—Meeting / Christmas Party

Meeting Location

Saint Rose of Lima Social Hall
5514 Sixth Avenue
Altoona, PA 16602
Enter through the double doors
between the school and
Maria Parish Center,
off of 56th Street.

Strawberry Pretzel Salad

By Paula Deen / Submitted by Karen

Combine the ingredients, bake, chill, enjoy! Thank you Karen for sharing!

<https://www.pauladeen.com/recipe/strawberry-pretzel-salad/>

Court Happenings Continued

Welcome to Our Newly Installed Court Chaplain Fr. Carl Spishak!

Installation at our court meeting, August 14, 2023!



The Servant Song

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SIhhxhPOwfc>

Archbishop Fulton Sheen

<https://celebratesheen.com/>

Hail Mary, Gentle Woman

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oz4CIS8HL-E>

Prayer of Saint Francis

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zl1Gst7pEqc>

Hallelujah (7 year old with stunning voice)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1ZoJ0FM0Dzw>

Mary Did You Know — Home Free

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Af73Qt1khhk>

Court Happenings Continued

Presentation of Area Parish Baby Drive Donations! Unity and Charity in Action!

Collections were taken at our area parishes during the months of May and June 2023, then distributed to Catholic Charities, Precious Life, and Kids First on August 14, 2023



I Wish I Had a Hat!

"I wish I had a hat. I wish I had a hat for Mass. I don't mean a biretta, the little black pillbox-shaped hat you see on priests in old movies. It doesn't tell you much. Just comes off and stays off. I want a hat that tells you what I'm up to. Something like a bishops hat. I mean, I don't want to be a bishop! That sounds horrible! I just want the hat for Mass. Why? So you'd know whom I'm talking to. Did you know that? A Bishop's hat tells you who he's talking to. When he's talking to the people, hat on; and talking to God the Father, hat off. It's beautiful and very handy. ..."

Read the rest at:
<http://fathertalkstoofast.blogspot.com/2017/10/i-wish-i-had-hat-ad-orientem.html>

Court Happenings Continued

Court Picnic—Canoe Creek—August 27, 2023



Upcoming Event Dates ... In Unity and Charity!

Expect changes in future newsletters as additions/deletions will be made as they become known!

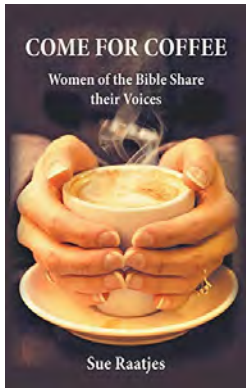
- ♥ Saturday, August 26, 2023—Fundraising meeting at 11:00 AM at Eat-n-Park. Contact Melissa if you are able to attend.
- ♥ Sunday, August 27, 2023—Court picnic—contact Carol for more information.
- ♥ Saturday, September 2, 2023—Birthday Bash.
- ♥ Sunday, September 3, 2023—The last outdoor Mass in Loretto; see Sunday, May 28, 2023 for additional information.
- ♥ Friday, September 8, 2023—Birth of Mary Celebration 42nd Anniversary! See your parish bulletin for more information.
- ♥ Saturday, September 9, 2023—Altoona-Johnstown Diocesan Meeting (AJDC) social begins at 9:30 AM; business meeting begins at 10:00 AM; lunch (\$20.00) begins at 12:00 Noon and the meeting continues after lunch.
- ♥ Friday, September 8, 2023—Blair County Rib Dinner and Auction Preview—<https://clinicauctions.com/blair/>
- ♥ Saturday, September 9, 2023—Blair County Benefit Auction—<https://clinicauctions.com/blair/>
- ♥ Monday, September 11, 2023—Court meeting. Member dues of \$30.00 is due before or at the September meeting. Bring a Mary icon, photo, statue, rosary, ... and share its meaning to you, at the court meeting.
- ♥ Tuesday, September 12, 2023—At Our Lady of Lourdes at 8:00 AM for the Feast of The Most Holy Name of Mary.
- ♥ Saturday, September 16, 2023—Second Annual Women's Conference—<https://www.dioceseaj.org/2023-womens-con/>
- ♥ Saturday, October 7, 2023—Birthday Bash.
- ♥ Saturday, October 7, 2023—Franciscan Creation Festival—See page six (6).
- ♥ Sunday, October 8, 2023—At Sacred Heart at 12:00 Noon for the Feast of Our Lady of Good Remedy.
- ♥ Monday, October 9, 2023—Court meeting.
- ♥ Sunday, October 15, 2023—CDA Sunday.
- ♥ Saturday, November 4, 2023—Birthday Bash.
- ♥ Saturday, November 4, 2023—Second Annual Bocce Tournament at The Arc of Blair County, 12:00 Noon until 3:00 PM. Contact Pattie for more information.
- ♥ Saturday, November 4, 2023—Patriotic Rosary at 2:00 PM at St Michael's, Hollidaysburg.
- ♥ Monday, November 13, 2023 Court meeting.
- ♥ Tuesday, November 21, 2023—At Holy Rosary at 8:00 AM for the Feast of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- ♥ Saturday, December 2, 2023—Birthday Bash.
- ♥ Sunday, December 10, 2023—At Our Lady of Fatima 11:30 AM for the Feast of Our Lady of Loretto.
- ♥ December court meeting and Christmas party—date to be determined.
- ♥ Wednesday, August 14—Sunday, August 18, 2024—60th National Convention, New Orleans, Louisiana

Court Happenings ... Coming Soon!

Come for Coffee

Women of the Bible Share their Voices

By Sue Raatjes



At our June 12, 2023 meeting, court members signed up for a specific chapter in the book; chapters are still available—contact Kris to sign up or for more information. In the future, we'll be coming together, for open discussion during group sharing.

The idea came from the Spiritual Enhancement Committee of Court Reverend Patrick McArdle #448, who monthly host an actual reenactment from one of the chapters in the book, sharing an example of this exchange, during our 2023 State Convention.

This book is a great read and I highly recommended it! You can find the book on Amazon: <https://www.amazon.com/Come-Coffee-Women-Bible-Voices/dp/0578666812/>

Here and There ... Around the Diocese ...

Saint Mary's Hollidaysburg—Alpha We are excited to be offering Alpha once again at St. Mary Parish on Wednesday evenings beginning September 7th. Alpha is an experience which, through a video presentation and small faith sharing groups, becomes an engaging way of addressing the basic questions of life for the church and unchurched alike. It presents the Gospel message with clarity and with a power that empowers those who participate. Alpha invites Christians to stand alongside of others who have a passion for leading people into a deepened relationship with Christ and connecting the unconnected to their faith once again. Alpha is an encounter which opens the heart to grasping the meaning anew of what it means to be loved by God and desire to be in a deep and intimate relationship with Him. If you want to experience the Alpha Course, registration forms and information are available in the gathering space and on the kiosk at Saint John the Evangelist parish.

Catholic Charities—Needs Our Help! has reached out requesting some help to replenish hygiene products and cleaning supplies. They are currently out of shampoo and men's deodorant and are very low on women's deodorant, toothpaste and toilet paper. Cleaning supplies are always in need. If you are able to donate, please do so!

Catholic Charities—Prayer Ministry has added a prayer ministry to our services and are seeking prayer partners. Please consider joining them in prayer. Every Friday we pray for those who ask for special intentions, for the marginalized, the vulnerable and all clients seeking assistance from Catholic Charities. As our prayer partner, together we will bring the requests before our Heavenly Father to ask Him to meet the needs of His people. Praying together as a community of faith, we are brothers and sisters – one family – in the Lord. Prayer is one of the gifts we can give to each other at no extra cost. To request prayers, please visit our website: <https://www.catholiccharitiesaj.org>.

For more information on how to participate and spend time in prayer for those in need, please contact Lisa Fellabaum, Outreach Liaison, at (814) 505-1106 or by email at lfellabaum@dioceseaj.org.

Saint Catherine of Siena—Birth of Mary Celebration Friday, September 8, 2023—Birth of Mary Celebration 42nd Anniversary! Masses 7:45 AM; 12:05 PM; 5:30 PM, with Rosary procession at the shrine (please bring a lawn chair.) Continuous Rosary between Masses, food and exhibits in the parish hall. Kitchen opens at 11:30 AM until 4:00 PM. The day concludes with cake and beverages in the hall. See your parish bulletin for more information.

Altoona-Johnstown Diocesan Committee (AJDC)—Saint Matthew's Harkins Hall, Tyrone Saturday, September 9, 2023—Social begins at 9:30 AM; business meeting begins at 10:00 AM; lunch (\$20.00) begins at 12:00 Noon and the meeting continues after lunch. RSVPs are required. Contact Pattie (see page 1) for information.

Saint John the Evangelist—Mass Time Please make note that beginning Sunday, September 10th, the second Mass on Sunday morning is scheduled at 11:00 AM.

Prayer for Labor Day

Dear Lord,

You are the Creator of this universe, and we thank you for offering us the precious gift of work and stewardship. Bless us so that we can do our work with utmost sincerity and love. God, you are the epitome of justice, and we pray today that all workers get fair remuneration for their labor. Employ all who

seek work – immigrants and citizens both. Please offer sustenance to all those who are unable to work now, and make global leaders show reverence towards all laborers. Bless us so that we can lead pure lives and be of service to our neighbors who need our help.

We pray for your glory and our good. Amen.

<https://www.thesalvationgarden.org/>

... Love What You Do ...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UF8uR6Z6KLc>

Drawing from some of the most pivotal points in his life, Steve Jobs, chief executive officer and co-founder of Apple Computer, Pixar Animation Studios, and NeXT urged graduates to pursue their dreams and see the opportunities in life's setbacks -- including death itself -- at the university's 114th commencement on June 12, 2005.



Quality of Life

For those in need ... We are now collecting **warm socks and footwear (shoes/boots/slippers)** for adults and children, all sizes welcome. This collection will run through February; in March we will once again begin collecting summer footwear (flip-flops, sandals, shoes, sneakers.) Contact Pattie regarding drop offs or pick ups.

There is an ongoing need in our community for **food, shelter, clothing**, Please, make donations to our local parishes, food banks, Catholic Charities, Saint Vincent DePaul Societies, the Humane Society, and the alike. The need never seems to diminish for non-perishable food items, home and personal cleaning supplies, and pet supplies. Please, do what you can and if you're not able to shop for and deliver items to the aforementioned, you can always send a monetary contribution. **Some** of the location addresses are below; feel free to take items and/or make a monetary contribution to any organization of your choosing!

- ♥ **Altoona Food Bank** 2100 6th Ave, Altoona, PA 16602
- ♥ **Altoona Humane Society** 1837 E Pleasant Valley Blvd, Altoona, PA 16602
- ♥ **Blair Senior Services Food Vouchers** 1320 Twelfth Avenue, Altoona, PA, 16601
- ♥ **Catholic Charities** 1300 12th Ave, Altoona, PA 16601
- ♥ **Family Services Incorporated** 2022 Broad Avenue, Altoona, PA 16601
- ♥ **Food for Families Food Bank** 2201 Union Ave, Altoona, PA 16601
- ♥ **Local Parishes** addresses can be found in your court yearbook under the "Churches" tab.
- ♥ **Nehemiah Project - The Father's House** 1520 Eleventh Street, Altoona, Pennsylvania 16601
- ♥ **R.K. Agarwal M.D. & Family Teen Center & Shelter** 1701 6th Avenue, Altoona, PA 16602
- ♥ **Saint Vincent DePaul Food Pantry** 1523 Adams Ave, Altoona, PA 16602 OR through your home parish.
- ♥ **Salvation Army and the Altoona Service Center Food Bank** 1813 Sixth Avenue, Altoona, Pennsylvania, 16602

State News!

2023 National Education Winners in Pennsylvania

Art—Division 1—3rd Place—Madeleine Mae Deal—Court Saint Thomas #1483

Essay—Division 3—1st Place—Adelynn Connors—Court Queen of Peace #1023

Music—Division 2—2nd Place—Jessica Moore—Court Of Our Lady #647

2023 National State and Local Court Newsletters Winners in Pennsylvania

Category VI (State Courts with 1,501+ members)—Division I (1-4 issues per year)—2nd Place Shirley Hall Pennsylvania

Category II (Local Courts with 100-200 members)—Division I (1-4 issues per year)—3rd Place Court Rev. Patrick McArdle #448

2021–2023 National Projects and Charities Donations from Pennsylvania

Congratulations to one and to all ... Pennsylvania state came in second place for The Order (aka Catholic Daughters of the Americas) for our national projects and charity donations during the past two years! Very well-done, ladies!

State Spiritual Intentions—As Shared in the State 2023 Summer Newsletter

This report shows the many people whom we have included in our Spiritual Intentions for a three month period. Donations are forwarded to the National CDA office to benefit the North American Pontifical College in Rome and are much appreciated by the seminarians there. Please consider using our Intention cards in the future. Send Spiritual Intentions to State Regent Margaret Giordano. Thank you! Also, the process of getting our monthly Mass location straightened out since the loss of our dear Father Grimme, Past State Chaplain, who had been saying our Pennsylvania Mass Intentions, is underway.

National News!

Robe Survey—Your Opinion Matters—Due by January 31, 2024

Your input is requested regarding the important matter of how robes will be worn in the future. National Robes Chairman Past National Regent Helene Shepard and her diligent committee have prepared a survey to help with decision-making. To know more visit <https://catholicdaughters.org/robe-survey>

Resolutions Approved at the 2023 State and Territorial Officers Conference

Archbishop Fulton Sheen—Venerable Servant of God ; Helping Each Other; Additional Documents

To view the resolutions, visit: <https://catholicdaughters.org/resolutions-adopted-at-conference>

2023 National Fall Spiritual Retreat—Put Your Nets Out Into the Deep: Moving Mountains

Friday, November 10, 2023 to Sunday, November 12, 2023

Begins and ends with lunch at 12:00 Noon on both days.

Spirituality Life Center, 7100 E 45th St N, Bel Aire, Kansas 67226

\$300 includes room and meals.

Limited to 65 retreatants.

60th National Convention will be held August 14–18, 2024, Riverside, Hilton, New Orleans, Louisiana!

2023 Marian Mass Days!

See the full list on our website

<https://cda2625.com>

- ♥ **Tuesday, September 12, 2023** — 8:00 AM at Our Lady of Lourdes for the Feast of The Most Holy Name of Mary.
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