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CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

COURT ALLEGHENY #664

“Unity and Charity”

MAY 2020

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MISSION STATEMENT:

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.

Special Announcement

Because of the threat of Covid-19, all meetings have been cancelled until further notice. When restrictions have eased, we will announce when meetings will resume.

During this time of physical isolation, CDA PA is asking all members to pray the Rosary at 3:30 p.m. daily.

Annual strip ticket fundraiser

Our annual strip ticket fundraiser is going on now! The drawings started April 17 and are tied to the PA Friday and Saturday Pick-3 Evening Lottery (7 p.m.). Winners receive \$50! Winners should call the number on the back of the ticket for instructions on collecting their winnings.

Congratulations to our winners!

April 17 - #157 – Rosella Z.
April 18 - #158 – Angela G.
April 24 - #393
April 25 - #788 – Carol V.
May 1 - #089 – Alice G.
May 2 - #608
May 8 - #066 – Sue Z.
May 9 - #842 – Johanna L.

Annual Dues

If you have not done so, please pay your annual CDA membership dues of \$20. Make the check payable to “Catholic Daughters of the Americas” with “2020 dues” on the memo line. Please mail payments to Johanna Leonard, 1171 Admiral St., Pittsburgh, PA 15212.

Special note from Melody Geer, Treasurer and Newsletter Editor:

Over the last few weeks, I have been contemplating the future of our Court. When I joined Catholic Daughters in 2018, I looked forward to meeting and working with many like-minded women since I had only become a Catholic about two years prior to that and knew very few people. Now, a mere two years later, I am looking at an active membership of only six or seven members (out of a total of 36 on the roster) – not even enough for a quorum. In fact, we have not had enough members at a meeting to have an official meeting in about a year. In addition, we have undertaken no service projects during the time I have been involved despite a number of projects being proposed. I am so disappointed that our Court is approaching its 99th anniversary and there is so little now to show for what was a previously vibrant organization (or, so I am told). What does the future hold for us? How do we get YOU involved? Do you want to see Court Allegheny continue? If yes, then you must act. We should be electing new officers. Who wants to lead us? The officers need your input NOW. Contact any of the officers listed in the header and give us your feedback: Continue or disband? Willing to participate or unwilling to be involved? No matter what happens with the Court, I will always be thankful for the friendships that I have developed through Catholic Daughters.

FABRIC MASKS

If you need a fabric face mask, please contact Melody Geer (980-241-2724). Melody will mail you a couple of masks. If you would like to help Melody make masks, please let her know.



O God,

May we who are merely inconvenienced, remember those whose lives are at stake.

May we who have no risk factors, remember those most vulnerable.

May we who have the luxury of working from home, remember those who must choose between preserving their health or making their rent.

May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when their schools close, remember those who have no options.

May we who have to cancel our trips, remember those that have no safe place to go.

We pray to the Lord for:

- Health and safety for our medical workers, grocery staffs, janitors, farmers, first-responders, delivery drivers, food bank volunteers, and all those who are working so diligently during this time of upheaval.
- Softened hearts to show our love for our fellow man.
- An end to Abortion.
- The May intention of our Holy Father – For Deacons – We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.
- An increase of Vocations to the priesthood and religious life.
- In Thanksgiving for all God’s goodness to us.
- For an increase of active members in CDA, especially our Court.
- For all those who are caught in the web of human trafficking.
- For our governing officials and their families.

May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of the economic market, remember those who have no margin at all.

May we who settle in for a quarantine at home, remember those who have no home.

As fear grips our country, let us choose love.

During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other, let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbors.

Amen.

- Cameron Bellm

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul.

Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & SHUT-IN MEMBERS

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| Alice Abbott | Lorraine Borgese |
| Mary Donahue | Dorothy Hayson |
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