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This 'n That...

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"Here Am I, Lord, I Come to Do Your Will."

A new decade, a new year and new beginnings we see before us as we move forward with longer days and experience the liturgical preparations for the Lenten and Easter season!

"Let every day be the day of **beginning again**, of loving Christ a little more, of hungering for him a little more, of turning our face to him. To accomplish this, all we need do is to look at the person next to us."—**Catherine De Hueck**

Doherty from *Wisdom from Women Saints* (Frederick, MD: The

Word Among Us Press, 2008)

A new beginning for a section of the **Angelus** is that State Officers will be choosing a "theme" for one of their articles using the Circle of Love. This change will carry through future issues, hopefully, as an educational/informational tool.

As always there are **REMINDERS** and pertinent **INFORMATION** that will help with your courts **beginning again** in 2020:

DEADLINES:

1. **State Dues and Financial Reviews** are past due. State Dues are due when the bill is received in November and Financial Reviews were due by November 30, 2019.

2. **CIRCLE OF LOVE REPORTING FORMS**—Your local court "form" is due to the State Chairman no later than **March 1, 2020**.

3. **NATIONAL CONVENTION**—Delegate / Alternate Forms must be **POST-MARKED no later than March 15, 2020** whether or not you plan on attending. If your court is planning on attending this convention, **PLEASE** elect the **NUMBER** of delegates and alternates according to your entitled representation and forward form to **NATIONAL OFFICE AND STATE REGENT**. Names of delegates/alternates will be forwarded at a later time.

4. By now, your Regent has received the **First Call to National Convention**. Please share this information with those from your court who may be interested in attending.

5. The **Second Call to Convention** will be mailed in **March**. **PLEASE** read carefully and follow all deadlines.

6. Spring Financial Review for **10/1/2019-3/31/2020** will be due by **April 30, 2020**.

In preparing ourselves for the Resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday, it is my prayer for you that through your personal "beginning again," you will experience an extraordinary sense of the Lord's presence in your lives. ♦

CDA 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.

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He Pointed His Finger At Me

They asked me to be an officer of CDA
I said "Oh no, I couldn't do that—
My plate is already full."

I said, "I'm just a small-town girl—
Someone else may do better, you see."
He said, "My disciples were simple folk."
And He pointed His finger at me.

I said, "My family demands all my time—
So the happier they will be."
He said, "You'll grow in patience and love."
And He pointed His finger at me.

I said, "I can't. For I get so nervous,
So nervous I can scarcely see."
But He promised He would calm my fears,
As He pointed His finger at me.

"But in CDA there is so much to do,
And with them I do not always agree."
Tolerance and understanding He promised,
As He pointed His finger at me.

I said, "My talents are few—
A leader I'll never be."
He said, "But they shall be multiplied."
And He pointed His finger at me.

I said, "I'd like to use my leisure time
To gain popularity."
He said, "God's love is more important than man's."
And He pointed His finger at me.

So I said a prayer and answered, "YES,"
To this fine opportunity.
My life has been blessed in many ways
Since He pointed His finger at me."

If you are called, the Lord's work to do,
Say, "Yes, I give all to Thee."
And you, too, will be glad as I have been glad,
That God pointed His finger at me.

—Duchess Collins, Past National Director, Texas

Moving Forward...

Essie Walker, National Secretary-Treasurer and National Representative



As we continue to move forward into 2020, let us take time to continue to focus on Spirituality, Member Retention and on Membership and Court Development. There is no better way to share the works of your court than through your participation in the Circle of Love. All members of CDA are encouraged to attend meetings and to learn how our organization is growing. I always say, you are the most valuable resource within CDA. Thank you for sharing your time, prayers and talents in order to keep our great organization moving forward.

Mark your calendar today for **July 15-19, 2020**, when all roads will lead to **Dallas, Texas** for our **58th National Convention**. It will be a time of worship, business sessions, to share and gain new knowledge and to visit with old friends and meet new ones.

My wish as we journey into a new year is that we continue to have joy, peace, happiness, good health, hope and, most of all, increased prayer and love for one another.

Most importantly, please continue to pray for our sick and shut-ins. Take a moment to make that call, send a thinking-of-you card or take a few moments to stop by and say hello. Let us continue to keep our active troops in the military, all veterans and the homeless in our daily prayers.

CDA Family Prayer

Gracious Creator of us all, we come to you with humble hearts, thanking you for the marvelous joys and many blessings that you bestow upon our families each day.

As we travel about our daily activities, we thank you for protecting us from hurt, harm and danger.

Loving Father, teach us the art of continual prayer and thankfulness. Help us to never become bored with acknowledging your grace, mercy and goodness.

Guide our families and open our hearts and minds as we continue to serve you. Give us strength to continuing caring for our sisters and brothers in unity and charity... especially those most in need.

We ask these blessings in the Name of Jesus, Who is Savior and Lord, forever and ever. Amen. ♦



Keep Calm and Carry On

Sue Kelly, Leadership State Chairman



This is a popular saying recognized by most all ages of court members. It is absolutely necessary in any leadership role or assignment, whether you are an officer or a member in charge of a project, such as a fundraiser, or coordinating a monthly meeting.

The value of remaining calm and keeping things moving in the right direction cannot be overestimated. Being an example of this is appreciated by everyone. How many times do we get a phone call from a fellow officer or court member raising the alarm about a problem or issue?

So how do we "Keep Calm and Carry On"? Well, for some, it seems to come naturally, but for most of us, it takes practice and experience.

Taking deep breaths to reduce the stress of the moment/situation is a good place to start and sometimes must be repeated multiple times over a period of time.

Gathering all the information regarding the problem or situation can help us to see possible resolutions and sort out what to do next.

It is also really helpful to have a "sounding board," someone who will listen and ask questions and who will help to sort things out. This is the person with whom you can let off "steam" so you can keep calm with everyone else.

It is usually best to address the problem/situation head-on, rather than to let it gather momentum and then it seems to be worse than it really is. Sometimes that means assuming the blame and even apologizing.

Other times, explaining the rationale behind a decision or action will be sufficient.

We all do things or say things without thinking of the impact. We all make mistakes, nobody is perfect.

So, take some deep breaths, pray and "carry on." Let's also pray for each other. ♦

Keeping Members Active

Janet Oesterling

Membership State Chairman



Members are what keeps our courts strong. Members sharing their time and talents will give them a personal satisfaction of accomplishment.

We highly recommend that your court create two very important committees that will get members involved. The top two committees that cover almost everything under our Circle of Love program are Spiritual Enhancement and Quality of Life. Each committee should have at least three members or more. ♦



Abortion is legal because babies can't vote.

~ Joseph Bonkowski ~



Court Chatter

GREENSBURG DIOCESE

Court St. Bernard #339, Indiana

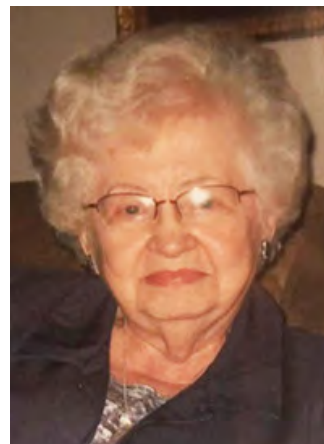
Court St. Bernard #339 members made lap robes at home and at meetings for the residents of St. Anne Home in Greensburg.



Showing the robes are Rita Lieb, Barbara Minor (Regent) and Mary Ann Donatelli

In Memory of Josephine Valenti Member of Court St. Bernard #339, Indiana

Josephine went to her heavenly reward on January 28, 2020. She was a CDA member for 56 years. Josephine was a Past Regent, District Deputy and a State Chairman. She was also in charge of funeral dinners for Court St. Bernard members and a member of the Grandmothers Corp (planned activities to get children involved in the faith and more active in the Catholic Church).



HARRISBURG DIOCESE

Court Queen of Peace #1023, Lancaster

Baby Shower

Lancaster Court Queen of Peace #1023 hosted a Baby Shower for its local pro-life organization, A Woman's Concern, with refreshments, games and prizes.



Left to right: Mary Selway, Treasurer; CarolAnne Ferreira, Regent; Susan Sharer; Marilyn Isengard; Janet Kreiner, Baby Shower Chairman; Andrea Accardi; Karen Mastriana; Margaret T. Giordano, First Vice State Regent; Paulette Manzella; Lee Ann Hrycaj; Linda Greineder; Robin Burgoon and Nicole Kreider, Vice Regent

HARRISBURG DIOCESE

Court Our Lady of Victory #588, Mt. Carmel Food Drive

Court Our Lady of Victory #588 is conducting a food drive for the local food pantry. A collection box is in the Mount Carmel Public Library.



Left to right: Christine McLaughlin; Cindy Saukaitis; Mary C. Wydra, Treasurer; Mary Rowland; Mary J. Snyder, Vice Regent and Barbara Persing, Recording Secretary



UNITY AND CHARITY

Court Mystical Rose #2628, Philadelphia Celebrates 10th Anniversary

Mass was celebrated at St. Katherine of Sienna Church, followed by luncheon at La Cena Restaurant.



*Front Row: Marie Galen; Donna Bradley, Treasurer; Maryann Voystock, Financial Secretary; Sara Janulewicz, Regent; JoAnn Lynn, District Deputy; Peggy Guckin, National Director; Colette McCaffrey, State Secretary; Lorraine Gribben, Vice Regent; Betty Maier, Recording Secretary; Betty Corcoran
Second Row: Kathy Mulholland, Bernadette Mulholland, Violet Cali, Marge Hall, Mary Becker, Mary Mullen, Regina Price, Henrietta Hassinger, Mae Spain, Pat Mundy, Laura Daniels*

Third row: Knights of Columbus Regina Coeli 4921; Fourth row: Rev. Msgr. Paul M. Kennedy, Pastor; Rev. David M. Buffum, Chaplain

PHILADELPHIA ARCHDIOCESE

Court Mystical Rose #2628, Philadelphia

Marie T. Wendrychowicz (AKA) Mary Wender went to her eternal reward on January 16, 2020. Mary was a CDA member for over 50 years. She wore many hats. She was a member of Court Holy Trinity #1336 and then a Charter Regent of Court Mystical Rose #2628. She worked with JCDA at Court Holy Trinity; she was also a District Deputy and served as PA State Secretary from 1992-1996. Please keep in your prayers all the wonderful leaders and members past and present. Let us pray to fill our courts and to establish new courts.



Court St. Ephrem #2230, Bensalem, Christmas

Caring for Friends



Rose Medash, Secretary; Betty McGonagle and Barbara Jackson, Regent; putting finishing touches on the 115 Christmas Caring for Friends' mugs—filled with toiletries and candy for the homebound.

Court Chatter *contd.*

PHILADELPHIA ARCHDIOCESE

Court Mystical Rose #2628, Philadelphia

Officers and members of Court Mystical Rose #2628 were inducted into the Hall of Fame at St. Katherine of Sienna Church. Family and friends attended Mass on November 24th, followed by a luncheon and induction ceremony in the parish hall. Also inducted for their work for parish and community were CDA members Lorraine Gribben and Betty Maier and her husband. Congratulations to all.



Front Row: Maryann Voystock, Financial Secretary; Mary Becker; Betty Corcoran; Betty Maier, Recording Secretary; Connie Scholl; Marie Galen; Back Row: Henrietta Hassinger; Lorraine Gribben, Vice Regent; Peggy Guckin, National Director; Pat Mundy; Violet Cali; Bernadette Mulholland; Sara Janulewicz, Regent; Kathy Mulholland; Donna Bradley, Treasurer; Colette McCaffrey, State Secretary; Mary Mullin; Marge Hall

PITTSBURGH DIOCESE

Court Butler #443, Butler, Celebrating 100 Years!

Celebrating 100 years as a court of Catholic Daughters of America is not only a wonderful accomplishment but also represents 100 years of love and dedication. Butler Court #443 celebrated this occasion on October 20th, Catholic Daughter Day, at St. Peter Church, in Butler.

Current officers of Court Butler #443
Left to right: Patti Hitchcock, Treasurer;
Mary Ball, Financial Secretary; Lorraine Laconi, Regent;
Barb Brandon, Vice Regent; Barb Byerly, Secretary



SCRANTON DIOCESE

Court St. Martin #418, Honesdale, Celebrated its 100th Anniversary



Front row, left to right: Gladys Welsh; Judith Poltanis, District Deputy and Vice-Regent; Elizabeth Flynn, Past District Deputy and Past Regent; Margaret Giordano, 1st Vice State Regent; Teresa Bayly, Regent; Laura Connor; Marge Kiegler and Marie Conte
Back row, left to right: Sandy Meagher, Jane Ganatra, Ann O'Neill, Shirley VonLumm; Arlene Battista; Judy Castek and Virginia Motsko

COURT ELECTIONS & FALL WORKSHOP

Shirley Hall, State Regent

What do these two things have in common??

First of all—COURT ELECTIONS—In reviewing the Local Court Officer Lists for 2018-2020, about one half of the regents, alone, will have finished a second term and a new regent will be elected along with many other new officers.

Secondly—FALL WORKSHOP—In order to provide our new (and our present) CDA leaders with as much help as possible, we feel that this is necessary to prepare you for your new or ongoing CDA journey.

COURT ELECTIONS—According to our National Bylaws, the process for Local Court Elections begins in March with the selection of a Nominating Committee. In April, this committee will report the slate of officers to the court. In May, the election will take place. PLEASE follow the detailed instructions that will be mailed to you by the National office in the coming weeks.

FALL WORKSHOP—Will be held **November 6-7, 2020, at the Penn Stater Hotel and Conference Center, State College, PA.** The cost of double rooms is \$114, plus taxes. As more information becomes available, we will be forwarding it to you by email, etc. PLEASE, mark your calendars NOW for this informative, fun event. **Your friends will all be there!!!**

Perhaps you can see why these two events can be shared in *ONE* article! ♦



Prayer for the Nation

*Our Father, You chose Mary as the fairest of Your daughters,
Holy Spirit, You chose her as Your spouse.*

God the Son, You chose her as Your Mother.

*We put the United States into Mary Immaculate's hands
that she may present the country to you, our God.*

*We thank you for the great resources of this land
And for the freedom which has been our heritage.*

*Through her intercession, grant us
and all nations your peace.*

*Inspire our President and all the officials
of our government to serve us with integrity.*

Grant us a fruitful economy, born to justice and charity.

Mary, our Mother and patroness of our land,

We give ourselves to you.

Pray that we, always acting according to the Divine will,

May live and die, pleasing in God's sight.

In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

—United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

Stand Up for What You Believe In

Peggy Guckin, National Director

I had the opportunity for the fourth time to attend the Opening Mass for the National Prayer Vigil for Life at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. This year's theme was "Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life." The Principal Celebrant and Homilist was Most Reverend Joseph F. Naumann, Archbishop of Kansas City and Chairman, USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities. It was so edifying to see so many young people of all faiths coming together to pray for "All Life." Life is sacred from the time of conception to natural death.

Due to the mild weather, and with my scooter, I was able to attend the "March for Life" for the first time. This was the largest pro-life demonstration in the nation with hundreds of thousands of pro-lifers from around the world. It was nice to be a part of this walk and to see so many young people involved in standing for what they believe in. ♦



Waiting for March for Life to Begin

Left to right: Ashley Flowers; Jeanette Kitch, State Treasurer; Helene Shepard, IPNR; Shirley Hall, State Regent; Colette McCaffrey, State Secretary; Debbie Lattus, ND; Essie Walker, National Secretary-Treasurer; Peggy Guckin, ND; Carol Bogacz, ND; other side of banner, Greg Lattus, Mary Impellizeri



Youth v. Legislation

Shirley Hall, State Regent

Youth and Legislation are both projects of our Circle of Love Program. As stated in the Tools of the Trade, **YOUTH**—"Tomorrow's promise lives in today's youth"...**LEGISLATION**—"Our obligation is to become better informed on public issues. Our YOUTH are our future, and we must help them in any way possible to become responsible adults. Our great State of Pennsylvania is doing just that by awarding grants in many areas of the Commonwealth through the **Reentry Demonstration Justice System**. These grants will provide youth, who were once in the "system," with educational and skill-building opportunities to better prepare them for good jobs and successful careers. These grants will enhance connections between the justice and workforce system in helping to reengage these young people. It will help remove employment obstacles and help the youth to engage in a career path that could lead to post-secondary education, advancement training and meaningful employment. In some instances, youth participants will be placed in paid work experiences or on-the-job training. The **Youth Reentry Demonstration Project** is 100% funded through federal money made available from the Workforce Innovative and Opportunity Act. ♦

Education v. Legislation

Margaret T. Giordano, 1st Vice State Regent



Our CDA National website states that "education is 'a drawing out' of a person's talent as well as a 'putting in' of knowledge or instruction." Education is part of our Circle of Love.

Pennsylvania legislation includes education for school age children and adults. FPA Title I monies are used for reasons such as hiring extra teachers and purchasing schoolbooks and computers. PA Title II funds are for enlisting, preparing, training and developing educators and principals in various districts. These resources are for public and private schools.

The PA Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act offers prospects for many adults to obtain job training or post-secondary education, thus expanding career pathways with skills, credentials or degree completion. This aids individuals to earn family-sustaining wages. Furthermore, the PA State Plan includes programs for adults, dislocated workers, vocational rehabilitation, veterans, seniors, and more. Many PA residents get assistance with these opportunities throughout the state at their local CareerLinks or One-Stops.

One spoke of our CDA Circle of Love references education. Courts must educate members about our CDA organization, charities and contests, spirituality, safety and medical issues. Operation Morningstar articles and Alerts keep us up-to-date on critical legislative issues. ♦

Legislative Action Alerts

Lisa McCann, 2nd Vice State Regent

One of the seven spokes of the Circle of Love program is Legislation. Another spoke of the Circle is Quality of Life. These two spokes are closely related when we pay attention to the Action Alerts we receive through our Operation Morning Star program. Through Morning Star Action Alerts, we are encouraged to contact our legislators as constituents. While the Catholic Daughters of the Americas does not support political activities, we can share our common beliefs with our legislators. We can identify and contact our U.S. Senator through the U.S. Senate's website. Go to the U.S. Senate's website and follow the instructions to identify and contact your Senator. In the same way we can identify and contact our U.S. Representative through the U.S. House of Representatives' website. Some of the recent Operation Morning Star Action Alerts received:

ACTION ALERT: Call to Action: Urge The Senate To Stop Infanticide!

ACTION ALERT: SUPPORT NO TAXPAYER FUNDING FOR ABORTION ACT (H.R. 7)

ACTION ALERT: STOP DISCRIMINATION AGAINST CATHOLICS AND OTHER RELIGIOUS GROUPS

ACTION ALERT: HEALTH CARE CONSCIENCE RIGHTS ACT (S. 1204, H.R. 940)

Our organization defines Quality of Life (social awareness) as the heart of our ministering to the needs of all peoples. We are called to reach out with compassion and support, to be helping hands where there is pain, poverty, sorrow and sickness. We must remember to also exercise our power through legislation. ♦

Why Do We Care About Legislation?

Nicole Kreider, Legislation State Chairman

When Moses came down from Mt. Sinai, he carried two stone tablets engraved with legislation. God divinely revealed the law of the land. This dates back to the 13th century BC according to the book of Exodus. Again, in Deuteronomy, the scripture reiterates and emphasizes that observance of these laws is essential for the well-being of the people in the land. In the U.S., federal laws govern the nation. State laws apply to citizens, residents or visitors of that particular state. Local ordinances apply to citizens of that county or city. For this reason, it is critical for each citizen to be aware of the legislation in their city, state and nation. The officials for whom we vote can impact our families and everyone around us. Do your local, state and national representatives support the laws that were written in the Old Testament? Our State board members share with us how legislation affects spokes of the Circle of Love. ♦



Spirituality and Legislation



Colette McCaffrey, State Secretary

What is the relationship between Spirituality and Legislation?

As a concerned citizen do you have a sensitivity or attachment to your religious beliefs in relation to our laws?

As a concerned citizen do you believe you have an obligation to be informed and knowledgeable in the act of making and supporting enacted laws?

I would speculate that most people would answer “yes” to those two questions.

We, as Catholic Daughters, can definitely say “Yes.” We have an attachment and a conviction to our Catholic faith and its teachings, and we believe we have a moral obligation to stay informed and knowledgeable of public issues addressing human life, human rights, justice and peace.

Let us continue to live our religious beliefs and to positively affect legislation. Talk about legislation at your court meetings. Ask for a volunteer to chair a legislative position. Reach out to legislators as a personal citizen. Let them know if you agree or disagree with them. Our voice, our faith, our moral beliefs, our spirituality do affect legislation. We can make a difference. ♦

Family, Faith and Freedom



Jeanette Kitch, State Treasurer

I hope everyone had a blessed Christmas and New Year. It's election year and there is a lot to think about. I know family is important and everyone has their own opinion, but just remember when talking and listening to the candidates. Remember the three Fs: FAMILY, FAITH and FREEDOM. All are important—just as much as teaching your children RIGHT and WRONG. ♦

What is Your Court Doing for Quality of Life?

Tina Dambach, Quality of Life State Chairman



There are always things that an individual can do to improve the quality of life for someone. One can donate time, talent, and treasure, but only on a scale dependent on our means.

Being a part of Catholic Daughters of the Americas is so rewarding because we can do things on a greater level when we join with our sisters to assist others. By combining ideas, resources, and actions with like-minded women of faith, we reach more people, offer more services, bring more joy to the world and significantly improve the lives of those around us.

Make sure you share your achievements by sending in your Circle of Love forms. I am eager to read about your projects that enrich the quality of life in our neighborhoods and beyond. God bless our members for their faithful service. ♦

Parliamentary Procedure Pointers - PPP



Patricia M. Gildea

Parliamentarian

If not in favor* of a proposed issue (motion)—what can you as a member of the court meeting do??

Move (“I move to/that...” one of the following motions:

1. **Object to consideration of the question.** (Incidental motion). No second required. Not debatable. A

2/3 vote against the objection sustains the objection.

2. Move to **postpone indefinitely** (Subsidiary Motion). Second required. Debatable. Majority vote required.

3. Move to **refer question** (issue) to a committee (Subsidiary Motion) appointed by the regent, to report back its findings at the next meeting. Second required. Debatable. Majority vote required.

*Not in favor because:

...It is not for the good of the order

...Does not fall into any of the categories of the Circle of Love program

...Not part of CDA mission

...Not timely

Be aware of how to facilitate the court and keep the meeting moving. ♦

Ending 2019 and Starting 2020

Margaret T. Giordano, First Vice State Regent

My Dear Catholic Daughter Sisters,

I pray that you are experiencing a safe, blessed 2020. It's hard to believe that January and February are already gone. In early December, I attended our State Officers Board Meeting in Altoona. We continue to energetically plan for our November 2020 State Workshop and April 2021 State Convention. I hope to see many of you at these assemblies displaying the Unity part of our CDA motto. Ultimately, whenever we are together, I always witness the Charity part revealed, too!

In January, with National and PA State Officers, I attended the 47th March for Life in Washington, D.C. An emphasis this year was on the great number of young people, deemed the Pro-Life Generation, partaking at these events. Thursday, I participated during the inspiring Vigil Mass at the Basilica. Friday, in the park, I joined the historic rally, the first at which a U.S. president has ever spoken, and I walked the parade along Constitution Avenue. Finally, Saturday, I attended the CDA Legislative Breakfast.

I pray that we all experience a very solemn, contrite Lenten season culminating in a most holy, joyful Easter! ♦

Help save lives by praying for an end to abortion in your community, **February 26 - April 5**. Find a **40 Days for Life** location near you: www.40days-forlife.com. 16,742 babies have been saved since 2007; 104 abortion clinics have closed; 196 abortion workers have quit.

The Lord's Prayer A Meditation



Dolores V. Croyle, Spiritual Enhancement Chairman

"Our faith has two dimensions: vertical and horizontal. The vertical dimension involves our relationship with God. We are truly blessed when God is a part of our lives. But our faith also has a horizontal dimension: the willingness to serve others. God has blessed us so that we might be able to share our bounty with those who are in need."

—Daily Meditations with the Holy Spirit
Rev. Jude Winkler, OFM

As Catholic Daughters, we excel at spending most of our time with the horizontal aspect of our faith—serving others. However, when we pray, do we rattle off memorized prayers or really think about what we are saying? Try to pray the Lord's Prayer slowly, thinking about each phrase.

Gathered around Jesus, the disciples ask him to teach them to pray. With arms opened wide and hands upraised in a gesture of humility, Jesus begins his prayer with an acknowledgment of God's power in heaven and on earth. —Brooklyn Museum



The Lord's Prayer

James Tissot (1836-1902), RestoredTraditions.com

Our Father, who art in Heaven,

From the first word, **OUR**, Jesus tell us we are all part of the family of God.

Hallowed be Thy name

We called Our Father and he always listens—we must praise him.

Thy Kingdom come,

When Jesus lived on earth, the Kingdom was here. He showed us how to live the Kingdom. Until all do, we await the Kingdom.

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

What is God's will for you? It is different for each of us and it has many facets. What is your profession, your religious commitments, your family duties, etc.?

Give us this day our daily bread;

This is not only nourishment for our body and soul, but the knowledge, skills, willingness, and anything else necessary to fulfill the "will" that God has for us.

And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

No one is perfect, we all fail at times. God will always forgive us. Others will offend us daily. To help God's Kingdom come, we need to forgive as God forgives us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

The more we ask to be spared temptation, the easier it will become. Surround us with your angels, help us bring about your Kingdom. ♦



Let us fix our eyes upon Jesus.

~ Hebrews 12:2 ~

—Scott Wesley Brown

Nov. Lottery Winners

Linda Berger
 Letty Calvetti
 Mercedes Rafferty
 Suzanne O'Neil
 Mary C. Mullen
 Antoinette Sharetsky
 Sue Kelly
 Jeanette Kitch
 Charles Facina
 Deacon Richard Malamut
 Lorett Remish Forte
 Ct. Columbia
 Traci Connor
 Pat Gawryla
 Jill Bowley
 Angela Sorg
 Lorraine Gribben
 Christina Bell
 Karen Boytos
 Dave Novak
 Barry Critchfield Family
 Dolores Glowacki
 Patricia Hubler
 Margaret Gardner
 Barb Hall
 Fredrick Rhoa
 Elizabeth Dombrosky
 Wally Reimer*
 Fredrick Rhoa
 Jeanette Kitch
\$100 winner

Nov. Selling Court

Westinghouse #759
 St. Bernard #339
 St. Rene #1868
 St. Thomas #1483
 Mystical Rose #2628
 Easton #358
 Columbia #2
 Columbia #2
 Easton #358
 St. Mark #1097
 Dolores #1675
 Columbia #2
 St. Francis De Sales #2617
 Blessed Madonna #2521
 St. Marys #890
 St. Mary #95
 Mystical Rose #2628
 St. Theresa #562
 Washington #1651
 PSR Margaret Novak
 Our Lady #647
 Lambing #314
 Blessed Madonna #2521
 Queen of Peace #1023
 Brownsville #1141
 Our Lady of Victory #722
 Westinghouse #759
 SO Lisa McCann
 Our Lady of Victory #722
 Columbia #2

Jan. Lottery Winners

Rev. Christopher Barnes*
 Rose Marie Medash
 Jeanette Kitch
 Bertha Allen
 Louise Manginell
 Linda Brown
 Mary Ann Weimer
 Suzanne Garnett
 Gloria Leggett-Benton
 Court Callistus #66
 Lisa Maverro
 Kevin White
 Court St. Mark #1097
 Janet Oesterling
 Martha Opalinski
 Donna Veenis
 John Edinger
 Jean Hesler
 Carol Liberi
 Karen Boytos
 Mary Ann Weimer
 Megan Stiffler
 Carol Myers
 Christine Joraskie
 Charles Farina
 Bill Hall
 Court St. Dominic #2222
 Nicole Taglieri
 Mary Jane Becker
 Cynthia Bills
 Rose Marie Medash
**\$100 winner*

Jan. Selling Court

Immaculate Conception #2454
 St. Ephrem #2230
 Columbia #2
 Ave Maria #650
 Rev. Patrick McArdle #448
 Conception #35
 SO Lisa McCann
 Ave Maria #650
 Ave Maria #650
 Callistus #66
 Allegheny #664
 (Disbanded) Erie #515
 St. Mark #1097
 Rev. Patrick McArdle #448
 Lambing #314
 SO Lisa McCann
 SO Lisa McCann
 Ave Maria #399
 St. Dominic #2222
 Washington #1651
 SO Lisa McCann
 St. Theresa #562
 St. Florian #2240
 Our Lady of Victory #588
 Easton #358
 SR Shirley Hall
 St. Dominic #2222
 SO Lisa McCann
 Mystical Rose #2628
 Our Lady of Victory #722
 St. Ephrem #2230

Dec. Lottery Winners

Barbara Lloyd
 Judy Bender
 Steve Bielak
 Darlene Centofanti
 Maureen Campbell
 Court St. Mark #1097
 Frances Durbin
 Connie Stransky
 Nancy Kasubick
 Joanne Krynicky
 Sylvia Fox
 Kathleen Peeler
 Delores Bailie
 Court Sharon #507
 Patti Bello
 Christina Bell
 Evelyn Zentkovich
 Bernadine Cybach
 Laurie Staub
 Mary Ann Monticue
 Ron & Sally Lerch
 Jody Rhoads
 Dominic Campagna
 Kim Wykoff
 Monsignor John Herbein*
 Patricia Hulse
 Kate Maloney
 Silva Toabay
 Letty Calvetti
 Marie Kerwin
 Fr. Justin Pino
\$100 winner

Dec. Selling Court

Ave Maria #399
 OLO Victory #722
 Patricia #998
 Uniontown #505
 Easton #358
 St. Mark #1097
 OLO The Alleghenies #1755
 Joan of Arc #716
 St. Bernard #339
 St. Florian #2240
 Sylvia Fox
 OLO Victory #588
 SO Lisa McCann
 Sharon #507
 Uniontown #505
 St. Theresa #562
 Uniontown #505
 New Kensington #860
 OLO The Alleghenies #1755
 St. Florian #2240
 Easton #358
 ND, PSR Peggy Guckin
 Holy Trinity #1336
 Ave Maria #399
 St. Thomas #1483
 Patricia #998
 Rev. Patrick McArdle #448
 St. Victoria #646
 St. Bernard #339
 Lambing #314
 St. Leo #356

10-Week Thursday Club Winners
November 7, 2019 - January 9, 2020

| Winners | Date | Amount Won |
|--------------------------|----------|------------|
| Jo Paulenich | 11/7/19 | 100 |
| Ct. Sharon #507 | 11/7/19 | 25 |
| Tom Redding | 11/14/19 | 100 |
| Peggy Guckin | 11/14/19 | 25 |
| Michele Byler | 11/21/19 | 100 |
| Our Lady of Fatima #2739 | 11/21/19 | 25 |
| Kathy Denara | 11/28/19 | 100 |
| St. Theresa #562 | 1/28/19 | 25 |
| Dawn Walters | 12/5/19 | 100 |
| Allegheny #664 | 12/5/19 | 25 |
| Connie Tuomi | 12/12/19 | 500 |
| Dolores #1675 | 12/12/19 | 25 |
| Janice Chatley | 12/19/19 | 100 |
| Columbia #2 | 12/19/19 | 25 |
| Christopher Rafferty | 12/26/19 | 100 |
| St. Rene #1868 | 12/26/19 | 25 |
| Barbara Rozycki | 1/2/20 | 100 |
| Lambing #314 | 1/2/20 | 25 |
| Sarah Mastrull | 1/9/20 | 100 |
| St. Mark #1097 | 1/9/20 | 25 |

Fundraiser Due Date Reminders

April 15th, Income Tax Day, would be a great day to win \$100 on the Spring 10-Week Ticket! On May 13th, the winner will receive \$500. Wednesdays will be the lucky day for these 10 weeks of mid-day lottery drawings. The stubs and court checks are due by April 6. The 2020-2021 Lucky Daily Number Calendar stubs and court checks are due no later than May 10. Lisa McCann is contact for both fundraisers. Contact info on first page of this *Angelus*.

Pennsylvania State Website

Pattie Fromknecht, State Web Designer



Just about the time this edition of the *Angelus* is distributed, we'll be looking forward to the change in seasons, both liturgical and climatic. I wish everyone a prayerful, introspective Lent, a very happy and joyous Easter and its season which follows!

Our state's website has a web page for each of our 61 courts under her wings. Local court regents are encouraged to select a member or members to work with me in sharing their local court happenings, facebook link, and/or court newsletter to be put on their web page. Following the link below will take you to the local court listing, which is sortable by the column heading; the local court name is linked to their state-sponsored web page. If you have your own web page, send me the link and I will use that link instead!

<https://cdapa.com/index.html#courts>

Pennsylvania has eight dioceses and several of these dioceses have diocesan groups where Catholic Daughters from across that diocese come together to share stories, ideas, hopes, plans... There is a section on the website to share upcoming meeting and event dates; see the link below! Contact me and we can discuss how best to proceed to get your diocesan information on our state's website.

<https://cdapa.com/index.html#diocese>

At our upcoming National Convention, July 15-19, 2020, in Dallas, Texas, we will learn how generous Catholic Daughters in the state of Pennsylvania have been for the past two years! Our state website has the breakdown for the two-year period, June 1, 2016 through May 31, 2018, showing where Pennsylvania donated a total of \$20,366.00 to our national projects and national charities; see the link below. And, this is above and beyond our state and local charitable contributions! Keep up the great work, ladies!

<https://cdapa.com/index.html#contributions>

We have five (5) national projects, with which we place a greater focus and ten (10) national charities. After you click on the link(s) below, click on "Show Charitable Contribution List" to view Pennsylvania's biennial contribution to the various projects or charities and a link to their websites.

<https://cdapa.com/index.html#NationalProjects>

<https://cdapa.com/index.html#NationalCharities>

There is a lot to see and do on our state's website! I invite you to take a look around! ♦

Circle of Love Reports Wanted!

Sarah Mastrull, Family State Chairman



Hello Catholic Daughter Sisters! My name is Sarah Mastrull from Court St. Mark #1097, and I am your Family State Chairman. Our National CDA website reminds us that in today's society, there are many different types of families, each of which is equally viable as a supportive caring unit. A family is two or more people, who consider themselves family and who assume obligations, functions and responsibilities generally essential to a healthy family life style. Courts should continue to strengthen family relations by interacting with one another in service and work of the family community. Families praying together, working together and playing together will fully encompass the Circle of Love Program. Only a few courts have sent me their forms/activities so far. Please send a description of any Family Programs in which your court participates to **Sarah Mastrull, 19 Shadetree Lane, Levittown, PA 19055** or to **seimonkee@aol.com**. Your court's activity could be featured in the next newsletter! ♦

Picture from Courage Unlimited Corporation (Courage Lion Program) for CDA PA Court



The picture was presented to Margaret Giordano by John S. Ramming, President Courage Lion, at Penn Medicine Lancaster General Hospital for PA State Court. Margaret presented it to State Officers at their December board meeting.

Read All About It! National Projects We Need to Support



**Lynn Kelly, National Projects
State Chairman**

For the next couple of articles, I will try to expand your knowledge about the National Projects which we are all required to support. Hopefully, you will see the value of these projects and spread the word to your court members.

Labouré Society

<https://rescuevocations.org/>

Do you know that vocations are down in the United States? Did you also know that most religious organizations will not accept young people into a vocation if they have student debt? Did you know that there are young people out there who want to become a priest or religious and cannot because of student debt?

According to its website, "The Labouré Society exists to provide financial assistance and spiritual support to individuals who must resolve education loans in order to pursue a vocation to the priesthood and/or religious life in the Catholic Church."

It started in 2001 by a man named Cy Laurent who help a woman overcome her outstanding education loans to become a Carmelite sister to the poor and elderly. Cy found it troubling that in his research there were 10,000 individuals discerning a vocation but 42% of them were turned away due to student loans. The religious orders simply were not equipped to assume this debt.

Cy created the Labouré Society to help with this endeavor. The society was named after St. Catherine Labouré who is the patron saint for the cause because she herself had difficulty producing the money needed to enter her vocation.

The society mentors those individuals aspiring to a vocation to develop fundraising plans and facilitates ongoing communications between the 'aspirants' and donors.

The society has been operating since 2003 and has assisted 280 individuals into a vocation. Their graduates are located nationwide, serving the poor, caring for the elderly, teaching in schools and conferring sacramental graces.

Holy Cross Family Rosary

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

Father Patrick Peyton, C.S.C. was born in 1909 in Ireland. He came to the United States via Scranton, Pennsylvania. Although he was turned down from a vocation several times, he persisted and eventually became a priest in 1941. Praying the rosary each night with his family became the foundation of his call to the priesthood. He spread the devotion of family prayer, especially the rosary, to radio, television and film, and 260 worldwide Rosary Rallies. His message that "the family that prays together stays together" is well known. Catholic Daughters have supported this worthy cause since 1977.

Father Peyton and his organization stressed the importance of the family praying the rosary, especially in times of great stress, including World War II and 9/11. He touched many people. His radio program ran for 22 years. His first television program about the story of Jesus' passion, death and resurrection previewed during the Easter season in 1951. He produced four movies in 1952 and continued to spread God's story through film. He spread his messages on more than 200,000 billboards across the country.

Father Peyton traveled the world to spread the story of Jesus and Mary to people who never heard of them. Rosary Rallies were held in North America, Latin America, Europe, Africa and Asia where millions of people attended.

His mission hasn't stopped. He's still spreading prayer and the rosary through his website outreach.

Visit the Holy Cross Family Rosary website to obtain more information about praying with your family and friends. Learn how the rosary has helped others. Learn some new prayers to teach your families. Get prayers emailed to you to start your day off right. Share with others on how the rosary has impacted your life. Sometimes it's the little things that touch people's hearts.

Recognizing his heroic virtues, Father Peyton's cause for sainthood was officially opened in 2001 and he is currently named Venerable by the Catholic Church. Please pray that he will be recognized as a saint. ♦

Open Your Heart to God and One Another

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forgiveness, faith, hope and love. Each of us has been given a mission which is to live our life as Jesus lived his life. Our efforts must be focused on our brothers and sisters, especially those less fortunate. Let us carry the spiritual significance of these upcoming days. Let us not dwell on sin and past hurts but demonstrate our desire to foster and grow in virtue.

May we all, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of our Lord and our Mother, in "Unity and Charity," continue to cherish and to live out all that God in his son Jesus was willing to sacrifice out of love for us, to bestow on us the gift of eternal life. May we be the signs of God's redemptive love among us by becoming the people our good and gracious God calls us to be. ♦

Make Your Donation Count!

Be sure to send your yearly donation for State and National Charities by March 10th so it will be counted for National Convention in Dallas this July. A revised form listing all our charities can be found in the September 2019 issue of *The Angelus*, on page 16, or you can download it: www.cdapa.com/forms/donation.



Mail form with ONE check made out to Catholic Daughters, and send to **Colette McCaffrey, State Secretary, 3813 Dartmouth Place, Philadelphia, PA 19136.**

Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Pennsylvania State Court
Spiritual Intention

The Mass is offered at Saint Therese of the Child Jesus,
Altoona, PA at 10:30 A.M. on the third Sunday of the month.
Proceeds benefit the Pontifical North American College in
Rome helping the Seminarians who are studying there.

For: _____

From: _____

Intention: _____

100th Anniversary

Court Butler #443

Requested by: Court Allegheny #664 Officers & Members
Laraine McGinnis, Past State Regent

10th Anniversary

Court Mystical Rose #2628

Requested by: Peggy Guckin, National Director
Laraine McGinnis, Past State Regent
Margaret T. Giordano

Happy Anniversary

Doug and Susan Moné

Requested by: Peggy Guckin, National Director

Happy Birthday

Julius Kreider, Grandson

Mikey Hoskins, Grandson

Skyler Giordano, Grandnephew

Matthew Christian, Nephew and Godson

Celeste Eckman, Lifelong Friend

Kim Burgess, Grandson

Tony Giordano, Nephew

Dr. Thomas Giordano, Brother

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

Pat Jacobs

Karen Hurley

Paulette Manzella

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

State Spiritual Intention Report

This report shows the many people whom we have included in our Spiritual Intentions, December 2019-January / February 2020. Donations are forwarded to the National 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 Margaret Giordano, First Vice State Regent. Her address is on the front page of this newsletter. Thank you!**

Happy Birthday

Martha Hamboussi

Susan Hicks

Susan Moné

Emily Guilherme

Father Edward Lamp

Requested by: Peggy Guckin, National Director

Blessed Christmas and Joyous, Healthy New Year

All Our Members

State & National CDA Officers, Directors & Chairmen

Bishop Gainer, Priests, Sisters, Religious

**& All Who Work or Volunteer for the Good
of the Diocese of Harrisburg**

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

**Father Grimme and All Court Chaplains
and Spiritual Advisors**

All CDA Members

Requested by: CDA PA Officers

PA Catholic Daughters

National Board and Directors

Alabama CDA State Officers and Members

Illinois State Officers and Members

North Carolina State Officers and Members

Court Rose Cecilia #1641 Officers and Members

Court St. Mark #1097 Officers and Members

Court St. Ephrem #2230 Officers and Members

Requested by: Peggy Guckin, National Director

**All National CDA Officers, Directors
& Office Personnel**

All Pennsylvania CDA Members

**Father D. Timothy Grimme & All CDA Chaplains
& Spiritual Advisors**

All Members of Court Queen of Peace #1023

Charlotte Meck DiCola

My Family and Friends

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

Blessed Christmas and Joyous, Healthy New Year

Father Jozef, CDA PA Chaplain
All Pennsylvania CDA Officers & Members
Requested by: CDA PA Officers

Annamarie Dunn
Requested by: Combined Courts,
Archdiocese of Philadelphia

**May Your Efforts Help Protect Life
of All Ages in All Stages**

All Participants in the 2020 March for Life
Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano
CDA PA Officers

For Their Intentions

Priests of the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese
Requested by: Christine A. Surovec,
Court Rev. Patrick McArdle #448

Get Well/Improved Health

Shirley Wybranski
Catherine Robinson
Christine Moncrief
Requested by: Court Rose Cecilia #1641

Jackie Scott
Requested by: Peggy Guckin, National Director

CarolAnne Ferreira
Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

Warmth & Blessings & Good Health for the Winter

All the Homeless
Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano
Court Queen of Peace #1023

Welfare

All CDA Courts in Pennsylvania
Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

May God Bless Them With Happy Hearts

All Those Missing a Loved One This Holiday Season
Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

Rest in Peace/Repose of the Soul

Dick Yost
Requested by: Lorraine Fello,
Court Rev. Patrick McArdle #448

Joseph Brova
Katherine McKeta
Requested by: Court Dolores #1675

Robert Gildea
Mary Wender, Past State Secretary, DD, Regent
Requested by: Peggy Guckin, National Director

Cecilia Solties
Requested by: Lisa McCann, 2nd Vice State Regent

In Memory/With Sympathy and Prayers

Aunt Teresa Dorsey
Marguerite Pfrommer
The Family of Gavin Cannon
The Family of Charlotte Meck DiCola
Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

Teresa Herr, Past Secretary
Rita Smith-Wade-El, Past Regent
Agatha Gerz
Jerry Liebeck
Marie Sawyer
Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

Anna L. Rush, Past Regent & DD of Court Bellevue #655
Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

Pat and Donna Gildea
Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

Bridgett Wallace,
who lost her sister, Mary Vanderschaegen
Requested by: Johanna Leonard, Court Allegheny #664

Anna Rush
Requested by: Laraine McGinnis, Past State Regent
Pittsburgh Past Regents Club

Thank You
Rosie Gross, Anne Miller, Anne Weiss
Father Daniel O'Brien
Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Peggy Guckin, PSR, National Director
203 Harmony Ct.
Bensalem, PA 19020



Return Service Requested

Open Your Heart to God and One Another

Father Jozef Kovacik, CDA State Chaplain

Dear Catholics Daughters of the Americas and Friends,



For over a thousand years, the Church has used Lent to prepare us for the celebration of the crowning moments of Jesus' life: his redemptive death on the cross and glorious resurrection. Lent is a time of renewal for the whole Church, for each faith community and every follower of Jesus. Above all, it is a time of grace and God's abundant blessings. LENT, as you may know, means SPRING. Now, when we look outside we do not see any trees budding, flowers blooming or any other signs of spring yet. However, we see other signs in us and around us. We learn and understand what each sign means: EXIT! ENTRANCE! PUSH! PULL! YIELD! and many others. We realize how different our life would be without them. There is no doubt that sometimes it would be chaotic, confusing and even scary and dangerous.

In Lent we are given the signs to open our hearts to God and one another. Jesus has called each of us to be his disciples, to be in a relationship with him, but we must always work to make the relationship stronger and better. Lent of course offers us a chance to do exactly that. Is there anything more worthy than to grow in friendship with God? Our Lenten practices of praying, fasting, almsgiving, listening to God, embracing solitude and silence and attending to God's presence in ourselves and others are all signs that we want to do that.

Through the Holy Scriptures proclaimed during this season, we are reminded of what has been essential to our Christianity from its very beginning—the reorienting and realigning transformation known as conversion. I once read somewhere that: Conversion is not deciding who we want to be, rather it's the discovery of who we are. Who are we? We are God's beloved people who once again, through the gift of the Lenten season, are given a chance to deepen our relationship with Christ by listening and responding actively and more fully to God's word to us and his presence among us.

When ashes are placed on our forehead in the shape of a cross we are invited to acknowledge our mortality and willingness to repent but also that through his suffering and death Jesus leads us to believe in him, who is the way, the truth and the life, so we can experience the glory of immortality.

We live in a world that sometimes lacks a caring and compassionate attitude, genuine respect and basic human decency, that is torn by division, hatred, despair and darkness. It cries out for healing,

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Jesus Washing Peter's Feet

Ford Madox Brown (1821-1893), RestoredTraditions.com