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## The Pennsylvania State CDA 110th Anniversary

...What was mentioned a while ago, will become a reality on Saturday, October 23, 2021, at Court Columbia #2, in Meadville, PA. Below, please see the invitation that is being mailed to all National Officers, Local Regents, DDs, State Chairmen

and Past State Officers. Overnight accommodations are available at the Quality Inn, 17259 Conneaut Lake Rd., Meadville, 814-333-8883. A block of rooms, under "Catholic Daughters," has been secured for a rate of \$90.00 + tax. (King rooms \$100.) This will be good until October 21.

## Pennsylvania State Court Catholic Daughters of the Americas Cordially invites you to the 110th Anniversary of our State Court

Saturday, October 23, 2021
Epiphany of the Lord Parish
353 Pine Street, Meadville, PA 16335
4:30 p.m. Public Mass
Officers and District Deputies, please bring your robes for the Mass.

Dinner following Mass at Parish Center on site Reservations due October 10, 2021 \$20 per person payable to Catholic Daughters of the Americas

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#### **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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Fall: September-November Winter: December-February Spring: March-May Summer: June-August

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## This 'n That...

Shirley Hall, State Regent

Another season is almost behind us as we look to the last holiday of summer, Labor Day. Fall is my favorite time of year and even though I love the warm days of summer, the cooler days of autumn, the changing color of the leaves and the crisp crunch as we walk through the woods have many special memories. HAPPY FALL!!

#### **REMINDERS:**

**State Transitional Meeting**—held the weekend of August 6-7. The change of officers, as elected at the April Convention, is as follows: **Jeanette Kitch**, **State Secretary**, and **Pamela Callahan**, **State Treasurer**, (addresses on front of this newsletter). New forms for donations will be available shortly.

**110th Anniversary of the Pennsylvania Court**—Saturday, October 23, 2021. PLEASE find additional information on the front page of this newsletter: hotel, dinner, reservations, times.

**District Deputies**—Information mailed to DDs in late July. A few changes have been made and courts will be notified.

**Financial Reviews**—Will be completed in October 2021. If you have not had a DD present, **PLEASE** do so for this review and be sure you have **three** members on the **review committee**.

**State & National Dues**—Congratulations! We were at almost 100% during COVID. **REMEMBER**—the check from the treasurer to the regent to the mailbox and it is done!!

National Convention—July 2022—Information to follow from National.

A thought as we celebrate/celebrated the Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady—Mary loves us because we are Christ's legacy to her. Let us give ourselves completely to her to be made all His, to be consumed unceasingly, to be spent for Christ. *Venerable Edel Quinn From Wisdom from Women Saints (Frederick, MD: the Word Among Us Press, 2008).* 

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#### Jesus, I Trust In You!

Lisa McCann, 2nd Vice State Regent



Shortly after joining Catholic Daughters, after many years of my dear mother, Betty, encouraging me to join, Court Westinghouse's Spiritual Enhancement Chairwoman, Ginger Carnahan, played a cassette of *The Chaplet of Divine Mercy*. I was learning again how to appreci-

ate my faith and this day, this wonderful woman presented this beautiful musical rendition of *The Chaplet of Divine Mercy*. I had never heard or prayed *The Chaplet* before and it made a life-changing impact on me.

Gesus. 9 Prust in You

We all are in need of God's mercy and often find ourselves in times of extra need. I am experiencing such a time in my life now. What a blessing I have found in my court members and my fellow state officers, knowing they are

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#### Jesus, I Trust In You!

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praying for me. What a blessing I am experiencing with my parents as we now have the opportunity to pray *The Chaplet* together daily. Jesus, I Trust In You and your plan for me. Please help my trust!

God bless you, Ginger, and all Spiritual Enhancement leaders. You may not know the impact your efforts have made, but Jesus does!

#### Housekeeping

This is the time of year for CDA housekeeping reminders. State officers have changed. Your State Secretary, Jeanette Kitch, is to receive a copy of all membership forms. Jeanette will send out State Dues notices and they are to be returned to her. The Donation Form has been updated on the state website reflecting Jeanette's name and address. There is no change to the listed donations on this form—just make sure they are sent to Jeanette. Margaret remains the state officer to receive your personal and State Spiritual Intentions. Lisa remains the state officer who will send out State Fundraising tickets and calendars. Please, make sure all of your court officers know to whom they should send each check. Treasurers, remember, NEVER, NEVER is a check to be written payable in a state officer's name. Every check written, for dues, supplies, Spiritual Intentions or fundraisers is to be payable to CDA. Use the memo line on the check to explain the purpose of the check.

#### **Court Westinghouse #759 Working and Playing**

members of Court Westinghouse worked together with two Knights of

Columbus councils to benefit the Parish of St. Joseph the Worker with a spring flower sale. It was a successful first-time collaboration between our groups and we look forward to many more similar endeavors.

Court Westinghouse members thoroughly enjoyed each other's friendship on a week-long vacation along Lake Erie in Ohio. We played, prayed, saw some great sunrises



Georgine Bogovich Horn, Regent; Margie Gowaty; members Paula Voloch, Lisa McCann and Lisa Haydu

and sunsets, pilgrimage to churches and shrines and even hit a few win-

eries! It was an extra blessing having our District Deputy, Johanna Leonard from Court Allegheny #664 with us. ◆

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Enjoying the lakeside view, Tracy Roman, Johanna Leonard, Christina Seese, Paula Voloch and Donna Egan. Not in photo: Margie Gowaty and photographer, Lisa McCann



## Welcome, Court Gianna Molla #2764 Huntingdon, Altoona-Johnstown Diocese



Newly-installed officers and members, Court St. Gianna Molla #2764



Officers of Blessed Madonna #2521, Mother Court with newly-installed officers; Rev. Mark Reid Deacon, Rev. Mr. Donald Gibboney



Shirley Hall, State Regeent, Pat Lutz, D.D and new officers



Mary Kay Dubetz with cousin Diane Decker, Court St. Rita #523



## News from National



Essie Walker National Second Vice Regent and National Representative

Fall has arrived and we can now experience cooler weather. The summer months gave us the opportunity to relax and reenergize. Hopefully, you, your family and friends had the opportunity

to spend time together to share in family activities or just to spend quality time together.

After a long hot summer, it is time for members to come together to share new thoughts and ideas that will help move our organization forward. It will also be a time for members to come together to share in prayer for the many blessings bestowed upon us during the summer months. We, as Catholic Daughters, have so much to be thankful for. Let us continue to lift each other up in prayer. Remember, to take time to reach out to members in nursing homes and those who are homebound.

Thank you to the state officers, who braved the one-hundred-plus temperatures to attend the State and Territorial Officers Conference in Scottsdale, Arizona. Your presence and participation made a huge difference. All presentations are listed on the CDA website.

Contributions to the National Projects and Charities continue to impact those in need. We thank you for your continuous support.

Now that we have reached the end of summer, let us take time to reflect on how we can continue to share our time and talents with our parishes, those in the community and CDA. •

—Email Essie Walker: walkerme772@gmail.com

#### Leadership Projects

Sue Kelly, Leadership State Chairman



There are times when opportunities for leadership abound, and this is one of those times. As the pandemic seems to be waning to some degree, the dispensation on attending Mass in person is being lifted for most people. It is time to check with your members and determine if they are able to attend Mass. Do they need assistance or en-

couragement? Besides being a role model, are there other things that you can do? You might facilitate rides or if they are not ready now, keep checking. Maybe a supportive committee might be in order to follow up with members. Are you able to expand this outreach to other parish members that you and your members know? Could you organize dinner, breakfast or lunch after Mass to assist members in socializing and perhaps to assist in recruiting new members? Step up and lead the way for others to follow. I wish you all the joy of celebrating Mass in the fellowship of your parish members. May the Blessed Mother lead you in your efforts. •

—Email Sue Kelly: vozarkelly@zoominternet.net

#### **Don't Give Up**

Jeanette Kitch, State Secretary



Thope everyone is enjoying their summer filled with lots of family, friends, phone calls and snail mail. I know a lot of us are still shut in. When you are lonely or down in the dumps, remember we still have God, Mother Mary and Jesus by our side. That is very good because right now the world is a little scary. So, ladies whether shut in or out, we still have our PRAYERS,

ROSARIES AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET. So please keep up the good work, and we will be rewarded in the years to come. God bless you all. •

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#### Summer-Time Highlights

Pam Callahan, State Treasurer



Well! What a HOT summer it has been! With just a couple of months under my belt as the new state treasurer, and a whirlwind summer spent at Fort Knox, KY, followed by my very first CDA State and Territorial Officer's Conference, at the Franciscan Renewal Center in Scottsdale, AZ, as well as helping with my local court's Vacation Bible School, I

feel like my head is still spinning.

While at Fort Knox, KY, for work, my husband came and stayed for a few days and we went to the Creation Museum and the Ark Encounter. It was an interesting experience. I enjoyed being able to have him with me if only for a week.

By far the trip to Arizona was the best of the summer; it was so enlightening and spiritual. I enjoyed being with the children at VBS, but Arizona wins for me in this instance, even though it was a rough plane ride getting there, and once there it was so HOT.

I thank everyone for the opportunity to be able to participate—I learned so much. We prayed the rosary every morning and had Mass daily. One morning, we prayed the rosary in front of the beautiful Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. It was so moving, praying together with my CDA sisters from all over our great nation—each of us holding on to a piece of the big, beautiful, handmade rosary. What a fantastic feeling that was! I will treasure the spiritual moments and the meeting and greeting moments forever.

I hope to take what I have learned and apply it to what I do in the future to make me a better person as well as a better state officer. Thank you again for putting your faith and trust in me by electing me to this position. With much love and blessings. ◆

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Prevent Truth Decay—Brush up on your bible.



# Court Chatter

#### **ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN DIOCESE**

#### Members of A-J Courts attend 12th Annual Global Rosary Relay for Priests

The 12th Annual Global Rosary Relay for Priests was held on Friday, June 11, 2021, at Saint John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church in Altoona, Pennsylvania. We began with a quiet, prayerful gathering at 5:15 p.m. and the Rosary began at 5:45 p.m. As with previous years, this year's event was in conjunction with the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception USA, Washington, D.C., meditating on the Glorious Mysteries. See: WorldPriest.com and cdapa.com/2625/ for more information.



#### Court St. Rita #523, Tyrone

Officers and members serving students from St. Matthew School.



Sue Gavassi, Financial Secretary and Paula Binas, Recording Secretary

#### Court St. Rita #523, Tyrone

Students waiting to enjoy their last day of school with CDA members.



Sue Gavassi, Financial Secretary; Shirley Hall, State Regent; Paula Binas, Recording Secretary; Sarah McNelis, Helen Dillon, Joan Everhart and Deb Zacharski, members

#### Court St. Rita #523, Tyrone

Becky Rozick, 100th Anniversary Chairman, presents birthday cake to life-time member, Leona Haag, on the occasion of her 95th birthday.





Susan Ronan and Shirley Hall, toasting the day

#### **ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN DIOCESE**

Court St. Rita #523, Tyrone, Celebrates 101 Years!

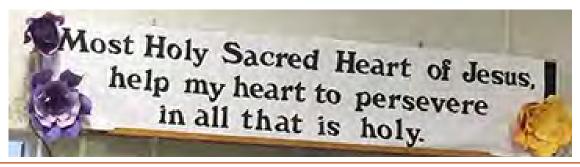
Ourt St. Rita #523, due to COVID-19, finally celebrated 100 years of service, under our banner of "Unity and Charity." On Sunday, August 8, 2021, Court St. Rita #523 of Tyrone, in its 101 years, gathered for a 2:00 p.m. Mass at St. Matthew Church, celebrated by Rev. Jozef Kovacik, Pastor, Court Chaplain and State Chaplain, and concelebrated by Rev. Joseph Fleming, a native son and Court #1992 Chaplain. The event was also attended by Rev. Joseph Orr, Past Chaplain, family members of the court and many members of the courts in the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese.



Members of Court St. Rita #523 with officers, front row center: Lisa Gehret, Regent; Shirley Hall, member and State Regent; Fr. Jozef Kovacik, Pastor, Court Chaplain and State Chaplain; Amy Brisbin, Vice Regent; Sue Gavazzi, Financial Secretary; and Donna Cunningham, Treasurer



Court officers and State officers: Lisa McCann, 2nd Vice State Regent; Pam Callahan, State Treasurer; Essie Walker, Second Vice National Regent; Shirley Hall, State Regent; Amy Brisbin, Vice Regent; Fr. Jozef; Lisa Gehret, Regent; Sue Gavazzi, Financial Secretary; Donna Cunningham, Treasurer; Margaret Giordano, 1st Vice State Regent; Jeanette Kitch, State Secretary; and Pat Lutz, District Deputy



#### **ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN DIOCESE**

Court Joan of Arc #716, Cresson May, end of school year: Presentations of Local CDA Education Contest awards presented at All Saints Catholic School, Cresson



Student winners All Saints School: Maya Sirsikar, Allison Carney, Kaitlyn McMullen, Ben Kirsh and Lindsey Noll. Included Dot DeAngelo, Regent; Mrs. Mauer, Principal; and Catherine Iapalucci, Co-Chair Education contest. Holy Name School winners (no picture due to COVID): Gustin Becquet, Will Yokitis, Will Tremel and Jane McIntosh

#### Court Joan of Arc #716, Cresson May Crowning/Prayers at May 4th meeting Anniversary Pin Recognition

Court Joan of Arc had May Crowning at its May meeting and awarded recipients of Anniversary Membership Pins.



Front row: Mary Jo Fitzsimmons, Catherine Iapalucci, Msgr. Przybocki, Chaplain, Constance Stransky, Lillian Repko and Regina Watt. Back row: Mary Mastrine, Mary Lou Zimmerman, Monna George, Sandy Inzana and Millie Bodenschatz



Left to right: Mary Mastrine—5 years; Regina Watt—15 years; Mary Lou Zimmerman—5 years; Patricia Nagy—10 years; Millie Bodenschatz—20 years
Not pictured: Frances Kodosky—40 years;
Janet Stohon and Doreen Braniff—each 15 years;
Barb Stack—5 years;
Carol Luther and Dot DeAngelo—each 10 years

#### Court Joan of Arc #716, Cresson Putting Our Hands Together for CDA



Hands of all members in attendance at May meeting.

#### Court Of Our Lady #647, Johnstown

ourt Of Our Lady #647 celebrated its 100th Anniversary at a Mass at St. John Gaulbert Cathedral on May 23, 2021. A delightful luncheon for members and spouses followed.



## S.O.A.R

#### Support Our Aging Religious 35 Years of Caring New York Awards Gala

A virtual event again this year! Celebrating Religious Life and Benefitting Aging and Infirm Religious Wednesday, September 15, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

There is no cost to attend this virtual gala, but registration is required. For more information, go to our website, cdapa.com or contact Kevin Callahan, email: events@soar-usa.org or call (202) 529-7627.

#### PHILADELPHIA ARCHDIOCESE

Court St. Ephrem #2230, Bensalem

Members of Court St. Ephrem were able to do their summer project, Caring for Friends (formerly Aid for Friends), by filling over 200 bags of breakfast items. This year, the members of Court St. Ephrem Church donated many items for this project. We greatly appreciated all that they have done.



Seated: Carol Parsons, Rose Marie Medash, Joanne Marie Hayes, Peggy Guckin Standing: Kathy MacElroy, Jennifer Wrazen, Dolly Maronski, Laura Tertel, Karen Khomenski

## In Unity and Charity

#### PITTSBURGH DIOCESE

Two Courts Celebrated 100 years! Court Bellevue #655, Bellevue Court Allegheny #664, Pittsburgh



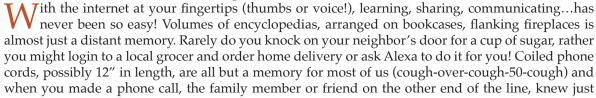
ourt Bellevue #655 and Court Allegheny #664, Pittsburgh, jointly celebrated their 100th anniversaries with a morning Mass on Saturday, July 17th, and a 1920s themed party afterwards. Reverend Jeff Craig was the celebrant. Past National Director and Past State Regent Peggy Guckin was in attendance, as were Past State Regents Peg Witas and Laraine McGinnis, and also 2nd Vice State Regent Lisa McCann. The guest speakers for the occasion included: Mary Jo Pallott, former Regent and current Vice Regent, Court Bellevue; Margie Gowaty, District Deputy, Court Allegheny and Court Bellevue; Lisa McCann; Laraine McGinnis and Peggy Guckin.



Left to right 1st row: Peggy Guckin, PND; Mercedes Rafferty; Mary Ellen O'Hare, Treasurer #655; Linda Scalamogna, Financial Secretary #655; Rose Marie Faller, Immed. Past Regent; Maria Faller, Regent #655; Missy Abbott, Banner Bearer #664; Johanna Leonard, Regent #664; Alice Abbott, Vice Regent #644; Margaret Gowaty, DD; Lisa McCann, State 2nd Vice Regent; Reverend Jeff Craig, celebrant Guest and officers, 2nd row, left to right: Laraine McGinnis, Past State Regent; Peg Rafferty, Immed. Past State Regent; Mary Jo Pallott, Vice Regent #655. Behind Johanna is: Johanna Morrison, Treasurer #664; Margaret Kratz, Financial Secretary #664. Absent from picture: Christine Bell, Secretary #664. Included in photo are members of Courts #655 and #664 and guests.







about where you were standing or sitting when they talked with you!

Although there are *many...one*-great-thing about the internet is the ease of sharing information. Recently, a local court, Prince Gallitzin #2625, out of Altoona, learned how. In 2001, Our Lady of Victory Catholic School in State College, began a program called the...*Jared Box Project*.

Another local court, Blessed Madonna #2521 out of State College, which is associated with Our Lady of Victory Parish, shared the concept of the *Jared Box Project* at a diocesan meeting of local courts in the Altoona-Johnstown diocese. Through this sharing of information, members from Prince Gallitzin personally shopped and provided for 27 *Jared Boxes*, donating them to UPMC Altoona in April of this year. You can read about it here: https://www.altoonamirror.com/life/community/2021/07/groups-donate-jared-boxes/



Left to right: Annette Ajay, Vice Regent; Mary Kowalski; Jennifer Crum-Waite, Youth and Program Chair; Judy Wood, Treasurer; Tim Balconi, UPMC Foundation President; Mary Stoy; Carol Galioto, Regent; Karen Castagnola, Financial Secretary; Pattie Fromknecht; Mary Grace Horton and Donna Hoover. Members absent from the photo are Nancy Collins, Darlene Crum, Theresa DeAngelis, Regina Friedneberger, E. Rae Kapfhamnmer, Kris John, Sally Lockard, Connie Montler, Diana Macharola, April Lauver and Michele Plunket

The July 18, 2021 Sunday bulletin from Our Lady of Victory Parish has an article about the project mentioning a way to contact them by phone or internet. They say, "The Jared Box Project was started by the children at OLVCS. Over 850,000 Jared Boxes have been made so far." You can read the full article here: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1i-usO3oRsT7tfkHsm3688D-KocZ20E7al/view

You can learn more about the Jared Box Project from their website: https://thejaredbox.com/

If you have a website, a web page on your parish's website, or a Facebook page, share the link with me. I'll then publish it on our state court's website! In this way, we will be able to share all of your good works with others too! ◆
—Email Pattie Fromknecht: web@cdapa.com

#### **Two New Courts!**

#### Janet Oesterling, State Membership Chairman



Thope by now most courts are able to have meetings. It's been a rough road for all of us. Despite all the road blocks, the membership team was able to institute two new courts, Court St. Gianna Molla #2764 in Huntingdon and Court Roses of Mary #2766 in Somerset. If your court needs help with anything, PLEASE

do not hesitate to contact me. •

-Email Janet Oesterling at: jmoest@yahoo.com



Peggy Guckin and Pattie Fromknecht spending many countless hours on Zoom as they work on State History Book

#### **National Education Winners**



#### **National Youth Scholarship Winner**

Rebecca (she prefers Becca) Krofcheck, daughter of Robin Krofcheck, Regent of Court Washington #1651 and Deacon Barry Krofchek, is the winner of the National Youth Scholarship for a youth entering 9th grade in a Catholic school. Becca is the youngest of three girls. She attended John F. Kennedy Catholic School for 10 years and this fall will attend Wheeling Central Catholic as a freshman. Middle school activities included volleyball, drama club, math counts, PA Junior Academy of Science and youth cantor. She is a member of St. James Parish, Washington, PA were she is an altar server, youth group member and a youth cantor. Additionally, she studies voice and enjoys performing at local open mic sessions. The essay theme for this year was "How Do You Show Compassion and Bring the Spirit of God to Others?"

#### **Education Contests**

Queen of Peace #1023 - Computer Art 1st place Division III - Matthew Hong

Queen of Peace #1023 - Music 3rd place Division III - Lizbeth Stephan

Mystical Rose #2628 - Computer Art 3rd place Division II - Elizabeth Prushan

#### **Newsletters**

Court Rev. Patrick McArdle #448 - 2nd place Category 2, Division I

Court Westinghouse #759 - 2nd place Category 1, Division I

Our State Court newsletter, *The Angelus*, was disqualified due to technical problems—our Mission Statement did not appear on two of the newsletters.

#### 2022 Education Contest Themes

With God all things are possible Mt 19:26 or Where is God in my life when I am struggling?

#### "Memories"

Peggy Guckin, Past National Director



Many courts have been celebrating a century of service under our banner of "Unity and Charity." I had the opportunity to join in the celebrations of three of the courts.

In July, I traveled to Pittsburgh, thanks to Dolly Maronski, who drove me to celebrate with Court Bellevue #655 and Court Allegheny #664. The

celebration started at the Assumption Church in Bellevue with a Mass at 10:00 a.m. The celebration continued in the church hall. The password to enter was "1921" and the guests were asked to dress for the period. Everyone enjoyed meeting new and old friends, dancing to the music and eating delicious food. A good time was had by all.

In early August, I traveled to Tyrone, thanks to my brother who joined me at the hundredth anniversary of Court St. Rita #523. The celebration was a year late due to COVID-19. Mass was celebrated at St. Matthew Church at 2:00 p.m. by Pastor and State Chaplain Rev. Jozef Kovacik and concelebrated by Rev. Joseph Fleming, a native son and 1992 Past Chaplain. It was so nice to see so many officers from A-J courts robed and to join in this joyous occasion. The entertainment was great and the catered meal was delicious.

I look forward to seeing many of you in Meadville as we celebrate 110 years as a State Court.

Remember all those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001. Keep them and their families, First Responders and all those in the Armed Forces in your prayers.



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## National Reminders



National Catholic Daughter Day "Let all you do be done with love" Sunday, October 17, 2021

#### Make a Difference Day Saturday

October 23, 2021

## White Ribbons Against Pornography Week

October 31 - November 7



#### **Charity "Fun" D Winners**

Week of 5/17 - 5/21/2021 5/20, Patricia G., Hollidaysburg, PA

> Week of 5/9 - 5/14/2021 5/12, Joan B., Franklin, PA

Week of 5/24 - 5/28/2021 5/28, Michelle K., Ashland, PA

Week of 6/7 - 6/11/2021 6/8, Dave M., Hollidaysburg, PA

Week of 6/20 - 6/25/2021 6/21, Barb M., Frackville, PA 6/25, Susanne D., Philadelphia, PA

Week of 8/16 - 8/20/2021 8/19, Bobbie D., Lock Haven, PA 8/20, Dolores K., Newell, PA

**May Lottery Winners** Gilda Simeoni Fr. Michael Crookston Loretta Coleman Robert J. Meusel, Jr. Dorothy Costulas Fr. John Szczesny John Gallagher Tony Glowacki Linda Womeldorf\* Helene Shepard Stephanie Fonagy Maryann Voystock Fr. Alan Grote Frances A. Rhoa Ct. Westinghouse #759 Svlvia Fox Ianet Hill Fred Oliveros Gwendolyn Hull Judy Kurutz Elizabeth Fox Marcella Fazio Annie Puhalla Suzanne Garnett Ct. Bellevue #655 Dominic Campagna Gail Gavin-Stout **Bonnie Conley** Jude Hoffman Keith Gavin

**May Selling Court** St. Dominic #2222 Monessen #776 Annunciata #260 St. James #1029 St. Veronica #111 New Kensington #860 St. Dominic #2222 Lambing #314 Rev. Patrick McArdle #448 Oueen of Peace #1023 Westinghouse #759 Mystical Rose #2628 Patricia #998 Our Lady of Victory #722 Westinghouse #759 Sylvia Fox Svlvia Fox Of Our Lady #647 Rev. Patrick McArdle #448 St. Veronica #111 Sylvia Fox

Washington #1651 Westinghouse #759 Ave Maria #650 Bellevue #655 Holy Trinity #1336 Easton #358 Dolores #1675 St. Mary #95 Easton #358

SO Lisa McCann

#### **June Lottery Winners**

Mary Ann Watrous Krys Straub Doris Kitt Mae Spain Linda Kubacka Mary Ball Bobbi Rogers Ct. St. Rita #353 Joann Marcinkivage Anna Marie Glowaski Lisa Smoyer Rose Marie Webster Diamanda Murray Larry Drabik Deacon Joe Dougherty Edward Guckin Rita Mroz Jose Rodriguez Fr. Richard Tusky Dot Deangelo Dianna Deao\* Cardin Feldbusch Frances Williams Phyllis Picoulas Shirley Wybranski

Nancy Gallagher

Lynda Ginsburg

Carol Ternoway

Martha Hagg

George Wolf

\*\$100 winner

#### **June Selling Court**

Conception #35 St. Marys #95 Rose Cecilia #1641 Mystical Rose #2628 Washington #1651 Butler #443 St. Victoria #646 St. Rita #353 Ave Maria #399 Dolores #1675 St. Gerard Majella #2751 Rose Cecilia #1641

St. Rita #523 Westinghouse #759 Westinghouse #759 PND, PSR, Peggy Guckin

Ryan #911 Sylvia Fox

Westinghouse #759 Joan of Arc #716 St. Victoria #646 St. Theresa #562 Ave Maria #650 PSR Margaret Novak Rose Cecilia #1641 Patricia #998

SO Margaret Giordano

St. Rita #523 St. Rita #523 SO Lisa McCann

#### **July Lottery Winners**

Robert O'Connor

\*\$100 winner

Martha Critchfield Letty Calvetti Eric Odenthal John Rhoa\* Ct. Rev. Patrick McArdle Elizabeth Fox Daniel Cistone Larry Reilly Phyllis Galio Svĺvia Fox Jo Orolin Pam Callahan Mary Ball Eric Odenthal Doris Kitt Linda Facchine Pat Mundy Elaine Delozier Joanne Rissmiller Brandon Wasofsky Shirley Anthony Mary Strucko Theresa Zameroski Fr. Justin Pino Lynda Ginsburg

Harriet Zetelski

Suzanne O'Neil

\*\$100 winner

Ct. Westinghouse #759

Brian Egan June Ross

Cheryl Mclaughlin

#### **July Selling Court**

Greene County #1923 St. Bernard #339 Immaculate Conception #2454 Our Lady of Victory #722 Rev. Patrick McArdle #448 Sylvia Fox Holy Trinity #1336 Bellevue #655 Rev. Patrick McArdle #448 Sylvia Fox St. Marys #890 Rev. Patrick McArdle #448 Butler #443 Immaculate Conception #2454 Rose Cecilia #1641 St. Leo #356 Mystical Rose #2628 Our Lady of Alleghenies #1755 Easton #358 Westinghouse #759 Columbia #2 Easton #358 St. Leo #356 St. Leo #356 SO Margaret Giordano Ryan #911 Monessen #776 Westinghouse #759

Callistus #66

St. Thomas #1483 Westinghouse #759

#### 10-Week Wednesday Raffle Ticket Winners June 16, 2021 - August 18, 2021

| Winners/Selling Court      | <u>Date</u> | \$ Won |
|----------------------------|-------------|--------|
| Meg McGeehan               | 6/16/21     | 100    |
| St. Francis De Sales #2617 | 6/16/21     | 25     |
| Barbara Rodgers            | 6/23/21     | 100    |
| Ryan #911                  | 6/23/21     | 25     |
| Suzanne O'Neil             | 6/30/21     | 100    |
| St. Thomas #1483           | 6/30/21     | 25     |
| Linda Kubacka              | 7/7/21      | 100    |
| Washington #1651           | 7/7/21      | 25     |
| Lynn Kelly                 | 7/14/21     | 500    |
| St. Dominic #2222          | 7/14/21     | 25     |
| Helen Green                | 7/21/21     | 100    |
| Ave Maria #650             | 7/21/21     | 25     |
| Dolores Croyle             | 7/28/21     | 100    |
| Patricia #998              | 7/28/21     | 25     |
| Rachel Faller              | 8/4/21      | 100    |
| Bellevue #655              | 8/4/21      | 25     |
| Ethel Peshok               | 8/11/21     | 100    |
| Monessen #776              | 8/11/21     | 25     |
| Mel Markulik               | 8/18/21     | 100    |
| Greene County #1923        | 8/18/21     | 25     |
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#### Jesus is the Bread of Life

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What Angus did, however, was not forgotten. As the story of Angus' selfless acts of kindness and compassion spread through the prison camp, it inspired the other prisoners and they began to share their blankets and food. They started to meet in groups and study the Bible. They built a little altar and began to worship the Lord together. They began paying more attention to the sick and injured and were more caring toward them. Many of them spent long hours fashioning simple, artificial limbs for the amputees, using whatever materials they could find.

The mood and atmosphere of the death camp changed so incredibly that when new prisoners arrived, they were immediately caught up in the spirit of new life and hopefulness.

When the death camp finally was liberated, the liberating forces wanted to execute the captors on the spot. But it was the prisoners who asked for mercy and forgiveness for them.

In his book, Ernest Gordon poses the question: What was there that made it possible for that situation to turn around as it did? His answer is simple: The prisoners became the Church. They simply became a community, a family of Christ.

The Church is our spiritual family, united in a common cause. Jesus invites to be part of it, not for an occasional spiritual uplift or help we seek, but for the active and joyous exercise of an ongoing call that comes from Him. The call that we first received in our Baptism, where we were chosen to minister to one another and to the world and to witness to the wonderful deeds of Him who called us out of darkness into His light.

In the gospels, throughout the month of August, we heard the Word of God reminding us of who Jesus is and why He came: "For the Bread of Life is that which comes down from Heaven, and gives life to the world."

Life will frequently present us with situations that will offer us many opportunities to be like Angus—one man whose unselfish, Christ-like behavior made such a huge difference and most likely saved many lives.

Will we recognize that someone in our life who needs to hear the story of Christ?

Will we help that someone who needs to have his or her worthiness affirmed by us?

Will we reach out to that someone who needs to open his or her eyes to the glorious vision of a good and gracious God who chose to give us life and who chose to promise us fulfillment in His life of love through Jesus Christ, our Lord—the Bread of Life which comes down from Heaven, and is now in our midst?

Let us make sure we will.

May we all, as God's beloved children, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, in "Unity and Charity," remain committed to building the kind of faith communities that reflect our desire to imitate Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior in all things. ◆

—Email Rev. Jozef Kovacik: jozefkov28@gmail.com

#### **Trust in God's Divine Plan**

Margaret T. Giordano, 1st Vice State Regent

My Dear Catholic Daughter Sisters,

Tam deeply honored to continue to serve as Pennsylvania First Vice State Regent. In my role, I continue to handle monthly PA Mass Intentions and I am Area Supervisor for some dioceses.

I know that the pandemic has made it difficult for some courts to meet in person and that being face-to-face is necessary for completing financial reviews. Hopefully, all courts can be upto-date with this paperwork in October.

In July, I attended the CDA State and Territorial Officers Workshop in Arizona. The spirituality, unity and charity exhibited there was invigorating for me as it is when I participate in func-

tions at all levels of CDA in PA—local, diocesan and state.

I want to congratulate every court commemorating its 100th anniversary. What an accomplishment! May you continue the CDA mission throughout the next century, too! I regret that I cannot be in person at all anniversary celebrations, but please know that I am unquestionably with you in spirit.

May the Blessed Mother, our patroness, be our motivation. Mary listened carefully and always answered "yes" to the Father's Call. It wasn't her own plan that she followed, but Mary was obedient to the Divine Design. It wasn't always easy. It was sometimes joyful, but sometimes sorrowful—not because God wants us to be distressed, but that we are subject to the free will of humans in our world. May we discern prayerfully what God wants us to do for the Good of the Order, for the Good of all. May the Holy Spirit fill our hearts and minds. May we offer any sadness and troubles we encounter to help those in need of God's mercy. May we trust in Jesus, our Lord and Savior, and pray humbly to the Father, "...not my will, but yours be done." (Lk 22:42) In Unity and Charity.  $\spadesuit$ 

—Email Margaret Giordano: mgiordano.sultzbach@gmail.com

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When my arms can't reach people who are close to my heart...
I always hug them with my prayers.

## 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.

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#### In Appreciation

Father Lawrence W. Sherdel
Father Matthew Morelli
Father Tri M. Luong
Father Bernardo Pistone
Father Bob Gillian
Father Richard Beck
Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

Father Deogratias Rwegasari
All our priests
Father Grimme
Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

Father Jozef, State Chaplain
Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

#### In Appreciation for Our Clergy Team at St. James Parish

Father John Lyman, Pastor
Father Michael Peck, Parochial Vicar
Father Tom Lewandowski, Parochial Vicar
Father Cyril Mworia, in Residence
Father George Chortos, Retired
Deacon Jeff Hirst
Deacon Barry Krofcheck
Requested by: Court Washington #1651

#### State Spiritual Intention Report

This report shows the many people whom we have included in our Spiritual Intentions in June, July and August 2021. 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!

Anniversary Celebration
Happy 100th Anniversary
Congratulations on your 100th Anniversary
Congratulations on 100 Years of Service
Under Our Banner of Unity and Charity

Court Bellevue #655
Court Allegheny #664
Requested by: Court Washington #1651
Margaret T. Giordano
Laraine McGinnis, Past State Regent
Peggy Guckin, Past National Director
CDA PA State Officers

#### Court St. Rita #523

Requested by: Peggy Guckin, IP National Director
CDA PA State Officers

Court St. Victoria #646
Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

#### Happy Anniversary

Charlie and Sandy Sultzbach

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

#### Congratulations on Your Silver Jubilee

Father Deogratias Rwegasira, AJ
Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

#### Happy Birthday

Margaret T. Giordano Susan Sharer Marilyn Iyengar Patti Boley

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

#### Happy Birthday

Bob Sultzbach, Husband Nolan Gillespie Caron Leath

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

#### Happy 245th Birthday!

**USA** 

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

#### Happy Retirement

Margaret T. Giordano

Requested by: Court Ryan #911

#### A Good School Year '21-'22

All Students All Teachers

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

#### Growth in Spirituality and Leadership

For all at the CDA State and Territorial Officers Workshop

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

## Improved Health and Complete Recovery Prayers for Continued Improvement

Kristin Yates, sister of Robin Burgoon Roberta Stefanow Sr. Mary Paul Giordano, DM

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

#### Father Grimme Lucy Kettinger, Godmother Nancy Lebano, Cousin

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

#### Pat Gildea

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano CDA PA State Officers

#### **Good Health**

Maryann Voystock

Requested by: Peggy Guckin, IP National Director

#### Laraine McGinnis

Requested by: Peggy Guckin, IP National Director CDA PA State Officers

#### Speedy and Complete Recovery

Pat Gildea

Requested by: Peggy Guckin, IP National Director CDA PA State Officers

#### Safe Summer

All CDA members

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

#### Safe Travels

Lee Ann Hrycaj

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

#### **Special Intention**

Shirley Oberst

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

#### Thank you

All Those Who Helped at Our Education Contest

Awards Ceremony

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

#### Thinking of You

Rosemarie Faller

Requested by: Peggy Guckin, IP National Director

#### Rest in Peace/May He/She Rest in Peace

Eleanor Connelly, Past Grand Regent, Court St. Mark #1097 Michael Robinson

Requested by: Peggy Guckin, IP National Director

#### In Memory

Margaret H. Giordano

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

#### Henry A. Horn, Grandfather

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

Ann Searer Rose Marie Rozick Jim Trombetto

Requested by: Shirley Hall, State Regent

#### Congratulations on Your Institution

Court St. Gianna Molla #2764
Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

#### Welcome to CDA!

Court St. Gianna Molla #2764

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

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





Return Service Requested

## Jesus is the Bread of Life

Father Jozef Kovacik, CDA State Chaplain

Dear Catholic Daughters of the Americas and Friends,



As our summer season finishes, I would like to invite you to reflect on how blessed we are as we realize the abundance of God's daily blessings, especially the blessing of the summer days, such as the warmth of the sun, the longer daylight, the opportunities to be outside and enjoy the beauty of God's creation, the increased time we have to be with our friends and family,

the opportunities to travel and feel God's continued protection from our leaving until our return, keeping us safe from all injury, accident or malice and sin and finally for the more casual pace of the summer season.

Certainly we could go on and on naming many other ways in which God makes us aware of His presence and leaves us in awe of the beauty He can create. But God never said He will do it all alone. He makes us part of His ongoing creation, especially of the building up of His Kingdom and creating the kind of world where His values and principles are cherished and valued.

Now, how does one go about doing it? There are many stories of inspiration that model for us, God's people, how we are to become builders of the Church.

A few weeks ago, I shared with my parishioners the story of Ernest Gordon, a native of Greenock, Scotland, the former Presbyterian dean of the chapel at Princeton University and a well-known Scottish preacher. As an officer in the Argyll and Sutherland High-



Infant Jesus Distributing Bread
Bartolomé Esteban Murillo 1617-1682
In this painting by E. Murillo, the Infant Jesus sits
on the knee of the Blessed Virgin and distributes
heavenly bread to pilgrims with the assistance of an
angel. Cherubs look down at the scene of heavenly
charity.

—RestoredTraditions.com

landers, Gordon spent three years in a Japanese prisoner of war camp during the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War. In his book, *Through the Valley of the Kwai*, he writes about his experiences as a prisoner of war trying to survive; living in the horrible, inhumane conditions that he and his comrades faced in this Japanese death camp. This book served as an inspiration to the film, *To End All Wars*.

In the first part of the book, he describes the difficulties the prisoners encountered to survive—men fighting to the death over a piece of bread. It was every man for himself, literally. Care for the sick and injured was completely lacking or insufficient. There was a mood of helplessness and hopelessness present in the camp.

But then, one day, things started to change when a man named Angus did something unexpected and unheard of. He gave his blanket to a wounded comrade. And he also gave some of his meager food ration to the wounded comrade. He even risked his life to get some medicine for the wounded comrade. This went on for a while, but then one day Angus died, partially because of his daily sacrifices. But his wounded comrade and friend lived.

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