



Catholic Daughters of the Americas®

September 2021

Court Oregon #118 Eugene, Oregon

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Dear Fr. Ron and Sisters in Christ,

I hope you all have had a wonderful and prayerful summer season. If you're like me, you can already feel a difference in the air outside (no, I don't mean the smoke from the fires) but the mornings have been cooler, some trees are starting to change their colors and there's excitement for educators and students to return to their classrooms in person again. For many families a lingering fear of COVID and the health of children and youth from elementary school to high school and college still occupies the center point of life. But should we live in fear? Or should we live in Faith? The answer is obvious - we must live in Faith. God wants all of us to live our lives to the fullest. The past year and a half has shown us all just how precious and short life can be. It's easy to be fearful of what lies ahead. What's the future going to bring? How long will this pandemic disrupt our familiar and structured routines? Never mind easy, let's take the seemingly difficult path and have FAITH in our God. Let's have FAITH in His only Son, Jesus Christ. Let's have FAITH in the Holy Spirit.

Our next CDA meeting is happening on Wednesday, September 15th at 6:00 p.m. We will meet at the Teen Center located inside the old St. Mary Parish School building next to the courtyard. Let's all put aside our fears and volunteer with our sisters in planning a successful year ahead for Court Oregon 118. Our Court must go back to being a place that fills us spiritually, helps us see charity at work and blesses us with all of God's graces. I hope you'll join us.

Sincerely yours,

Lisa Hurlimann, Regent

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas is one of the oldest and largest organizations of Catholic women in the Americas.

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.”



Prayer Corner



For our Court members

Pat Halvorsen, Stacy Vinolus, Regina Kungys,
Eileen Laudani, Olga Saban, Ernestine O'Brien, Pat Vohs,
Rosy Makyadath, Cathy Frei and Cathy Kirby

Family of CDA members

Steve Lopez – For the repose of his soul; Husband of
Corinne Lopez

George Helbling – Son-in-Law of Rosy Makyadath

Floyd Halvorsen – Husband of Pat Halvorsen

Reece Robison – Grandson of Patricia Klenke

Peter – Son of Tess & Brother of Miriam Cersovski

Don Cersovski – Husband of Tess Cersovski

Thomas – Husband of Ernestine O'Brien

Alice Barngrover – Sister of Tess Cersovski

Sarah – Granddaughter of Ernestine O'Brien

Darren – Husband of Cathy Kirby and

Son-in-Law of Anna Marie Blume

Julie Ann Daughtery – Daughter of Eileen Laudani

For others in need of our prayers

Pope Francis, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Archbishop
Alexander K. Sample, Archbishop Emeritus John G. Vlazny,
Bishop Steiner, Bishop Smith and Bishop Cary.

All Priests and religious men and women.

Everyone affected by natural disasters.

For all that are looking for employment.

All men and women serving our country.

All those suffering from medical / mental impairments.

All affected by Covid-19.

Send prayer requests to Julia Kelso.

A Catholic Daughter Prayer

O Blessed Virgin Mary, beloved Patroness of the Catholic Daughters of
the Americas, we Pledge to you our love and fidelity.

As you have guided and watched over us in the past, we humbly ask you
to intercede for us asking that our Catholic Daughter sisters will grow
in faith – in love – and in numbers so that our countless works of charity
can continue.

May our hearts and minds remain open to the magnificent love you
have to share. And may all of our endeavors be directed to Jesus, your
Son, through you and your Bountiful mercy. Amen

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**MESSAGE FROM THE OREGON STATE CHAPLAIN
REV. JAMES HERRERA**

September 1, 2021

Dear Sisters in Christ,

Well, the summer months have once again passed us quickly by. One minute it was the start of June and our students at Sacred Heart School here in Gervais along with students all over the state were getting ready to bring to the close a very long, strange and difficult year. I am sitting here thinking about the new school year that is getting ready to begin. It is looking like it will be another challenging and different year. I would encourage all our Catholic Daughter Courts to take some time during these early September days to offer a rosary for the intentions of all our schoolchildren at the beginning of this new academic year, and also to include the administrators, teachers and staff as well. Let us pray that our children have a great year and that their minds are open to all the many wonderful and exciting new things that will come before them this new year.

I want to acknowledge again the devastation that our state has experienced this past summer due to the dry and warm temperatures that we have been having. Many parts of our state of Oregon and our neighbors to the north and south have again experienced vast destruction to our land due to the wildfires that have come to be. These past summer months I have been remembering all of those that have been affected by the fires in my daily prayers and masses.

We continue to be plagued by the Corona Virus Pandemic and all the challenges that this has presented in our world and in our state. It is certainly taking a toll on everyone.

Most recently we have seen what is unfolding in Afghanistan.

So much is taking place, so many worries, so many fears. But we have been reminded in a very special way these past several weeks in our Church of where we can turn to find comfort, solace and peace. We can turn to our precious Bread of Life, to Jesus in the Eucharist. These past several weeks we have been hearing at Sunday Mass from chapter six of the Gospel of John. In this chapter Jesus' teaches us that he is the bread of life that has come down from heaven. This is a gift given to us by our Father in heaven. This gift is meant to nourish and feed us so that we can receive the grace that we need to go back out into the world to live our life to the fullest.

As we transition to our autumn days, let us not lose sight that our Lord, our Father, our Abba, is there by our sides and he will never abandon us, especially during these difficult times.

Please be assured of my prayers!

In Unity and Charity,

Fr. James

State Chaplain

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CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS®

Oregon State Court

2021 DAY of RECOLLECTION

Saturday, October 9, 2021

Saint Louis Catholic Church Parish Hall

Manning Rd NE & Saint Louis Rd NE, Gervais, OR

(2 miles from Sacred Heart Church in Gervais)

Theme: Chosen for Each Other

Speaker:

CONNIE DRONETTE

CDA National Spiritual Enhancement Chairman

Schedule:

8:00 am	Daily Mass at Sacred Heart in Gervais (optional)
9:15 am	Coffee & Donuts
9:15 am	Registration
10:00 am	Retreat Begins
Noon	Prayer & Lunch & Confessions
12:45	Retreat Continues
3:00-3:30	Closing
4:30 pm	Sunday Mass at Sacred Heart (optional)

COST: \$30 per person

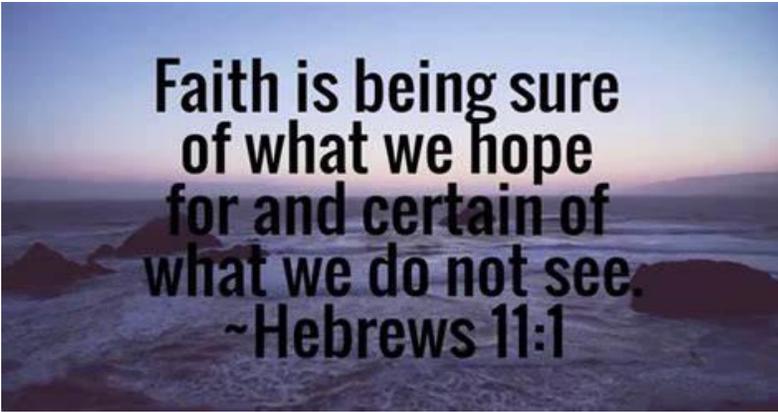
Hotel: La Quinta Inn & Suites by Wyndham 120 N. Amey Rd, Woodburn, OR 97071. Ask for Catholic Daughters of the Americas discount. Call directly 503-982-1727. (Recommended by State Chaplain Rev. James Herrera.) [By Woodburn Outlet Mall!]

Plenary Indulgence given for those who attend this retreat.

The Apostolic Penitentiary is allowing many opportunities and ways throughout this Year of Saint Joseph for us to gain the plenary indulgence. One opportunity is to **be part of a “spiritual retreat of at least one day that includes a meditation on St. Joseph.”** This retreat will meet the requirements.

Read the September State Newsletter for more details including registration form, meals and directions.

NATIONAL CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS NEWS



Oregon National Director
Barbara Jensen

MESSAGE FROM BARBARA JENSEN OREGON CDA NATIONAL DIRECTOR

Greetings from your National Director! It has been a while since my last conversation with my CDA sisters of Oregon. Where did the summer go? As we start, or continue, our court meetings this fall, I hope you are ready to bring a renewed spirit, and are ready to go out and recruit new members! All of you probably know someone that you could ask to join this wonderful spirit-filled organization. A sister, daughter, mother, all those in laws, a friend or neighbor, even those new empty nesters. Membership should always be to our forefront, and we should always be aware of the possibility of gaining a new member(s). All we have to do is ask!

National put on a state officers training workshop this past summer at the Franciscan Renewal Center in Scottsdale, Arizona. Those attending came back informed and enthused. Jump on that bandwagon and spread that enthusiasm to your local court members.

National is also sponsoring Fall Retreats that are open to all catholic women. We hope you were one of those who will be giving yourself a much-needed break and will be attending one of them. More information is available on the national website. Fall brings the flu season. Please do your part to keep safe and follow your state and local directives. Have a safe enjoyable Fall and don't be afraid to give others the same opportunity you have experienced as a Catholic Daughter.

As the leaves fall, and the colors change, let us fill our courts with those wonderful bright and new shining Catholic Daughters of the Americas faces.

Respectfully yours,

Barb Jensen, National Director

Happy Belated Birthday to:

July

- 10 – Scarlet Frunz*
- 21 – Sharon VanLoan**
- 24 – Cathy Frei**
- 26 – Susan Tung*
- 31 – Lisa Hurlimann**



August

- 10 – Gayle Frunz*
- 15 – Pat Halvorsen**
- 19 – Marie Collins**
- 24 – Lynda Atto**
- 25 – Christie Jensen**



Happy Birthday to our September Ladies

- 1 – Barbara Furrer*
- 12 – Rose Young**
- 13 – Tess Cersovski, State Regent**
- 24 – Susan Freeman, Recording Secretary**





CDA Fall Retreats

Faithful Women Set the World on Fire!

Sept. 17-19, 2021

Oct. 29-31, 2021

Nov. 12-14, 2021

Catholic Conference Center

Holy Cross Retreat Center

St. Benedict's Abbey

Hickory, N.C.

Mesilla Park, N.M.

Benet Lake, WI

Be inspired by the stories of women who lived out God's will in their life and brought love and hope to the world around them. Discover their struggles and triumphs. Let their lives teach you what it means to follow His will in your life. Let God whisper His will to you in a weekend with your CDA sisters.

Each retreat starts at 4:00 PM Friday and ends after breakfast on Sunday morning. Cost is \$300.00 and includes a shared double room and meals.

To download a copy of the registration form, please go to catholicdaughters.org or email Connie Dronette at conniecda@yahoo.com

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**CDA Monthly Meeting
Wednesday,
September 15, 2021
6:00 p.m.
St. Mary Teen Center
1062 Charnelton St.
Eugene**



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