



September 2018

Catholic Daughters of the Americas®

Court Oregon #118 Eugene, Oregon

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Dear CDA Sisters,

Regents Message

As our summer comes to a close I hope you are well rested and ready to help with the many activities that are coming our way. Such as the Homeless Hospitality dinner, helping with the KC Breakfast on the 5th Sundays, Day of Recollection and the High Tea, which is our largest fundraiser and requires help from all active members.

We have many members that due to age, health or family situations that prevent them from actively participating, I understand this. I do ask that you keep in your prayers an increase in our membership and that all members that are able to serve are moved to do so.

Our Court has many chairmanships that are empty and if not filled will need to be set aside till volunteers come forward. Know that you will always have my help in any chairmanship you take on. Consider teaming up with another sister. If you have a passion in a certain area, Catholic Daughters surely has something in our Circle of Love program under one of the seven spokes: Family, Education, Youth/JCDA, Spiritual Enhancement, Quality of Life, Legislation and Leadership. For more information on these programs you can ask me or look at our Courts website or the national website. Listed on page 2.

We are all called and I thank each of you for your membership in CDA.

In Unity and Charity, Julia Kelso, Regent

Prayer to Mary For CDA

Remember us O Dearest Mary, Our mother and patroness of Catholic Daughters. We offer you our works, joys and trials. We ask your intercession as we reach out to women with love and enthusiastic invitations to increase our membership. Help us O Most Holy Virgin, to be faithful to your rosary for peace in our homes, our nation and the world. We ask you to bless and protect our families and guide the unity and charity we do for our Circle of Love.

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.”

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Meetings are held the Third Thursday of the month.

An EVENING of prayer, fellowship and a meeting will be held

Thursday, September 20, 2018 Time 5:30 - 7:30 pm with lite refreshments provided.

St. Mary Parish Hall

1062 Charnelton St. Eugene

Prayer Corner



For our Court members

Kay Gillette - Past Local Court Regent, Eileen Laudani, Donna Schatz, Mary Maira, Olga Saban, Ernestine O'Brien, Ruby Meyer, Pat Vohs, Rosy Makyadath, Cathy Frei, Anna Seeley, Cathy Kirby, Pat Heinrich and Ronnie Chouinard

For our Deceased Court member

Patricia Heinrich passed away August 24, 2018

Family of CDA members

*Fr. Ken Olsen – Son of Anne Olsen
Thomas – Husband of Ernestine O'Brien
Grace Englehardt – Sister of Tess Cersovski
Carrie Myrand – Daughter-n-law of Jane Myrand and
Sister-n-law of Julia Kelso
Sarah – Granddaughter of Ernestine O'Brien
Darren – Husband of Cathy Kirby and
son-n-law of Anna Marie Blume
James - Son of Marjorie Robb
Sal – Husband of Eileen Laudani
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.
Every one 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.
Please send prayer requests to Regent Julia Kelso.*

Remember our Seminarians as they return to School.

Vocation Prayer

Lord Jesus, son of the eternal Father and Mary Immaculate, grant to our young people the generosity necessary to follow thy call and the courage required to overcome all obstacles to their vocation. Give to parents that faith, love and spirit of sacrifice which will inspire them to offer their children to God's service and cause them to rejoice whenever one of their children is called to the religious life. Let your example and that of your Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph encourage both young people and parents and let your grace sustain them.

Amen

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A Message from Our Court Chaplain



Dear Catholic Daughters

Aug. 22, 2018

Message Regarding Scandal in the Church

My heart has been weighed down lately with scandalous news about Cardinal McCarrick and the many reports of abuse of children by clergy in the Grand Jury report in Pennsylvania. It sickens me. Recently our own Archbishop has sent out a letter in which he states how, like you, he “was shocked, angered, and discouraged” by the recent events as well. Also our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has written to the people of God addressing this terrible situation. Archbishop Sample urges us to read the Holy Father’s words, in which he calls out those responsible, and also for conversion, penance and prayer.

Archbishop Sample, Bishop Cary, and Bishop Barron have all made similar suggestions that, in collaboration with Pope Francis, we should appoint an independent commission composed mostly of lay men and women of impeccable reputation and significant investigative experience to track down the truth wherever it leads. Empowered (presumably by the Holy Father) to obtain testimony from bishops and documents from chanceries, the commission would make a public report to the body of bishops of their findings and recommendations. This would be an antidote to any clerical corruption (whether it be episcopal, presbyteral, or diaconal).

I know that, like me, all of these events weigh heavily on your hearts. These men, who did these terrible things, were meant to emulate our Lord, they were meant to make themselves a living sacrifice for the Lord, for the life of the world, but instead they have sacrificed the innocence of children. They have used these most vulnerable for their own wicked ends. It is scandalous. And it highlights an institutional failure for the Church.

Often young children don’t distinguish between the man, the priest, and the One who the priest represents, Our Lord Jesus Christ. I remember one time, when I was at St. Louis Church, one of our young parishioners would help her grandmother set up for Mass. She was probably five or six years old, and in all earnestness walked by me and waved to me and said, “Hi, Jesus!” and then she walked on.

It was one of those moments when the weight of the responsibility of the priesthood was impressed upon me. And it sickens me to think of the emotional and spiritual damage that is done to a young soul when that trust is abused and betrayed. It is absolutely diabolical.

And on a more personal level: Sometimes whether the feeling is real or imagined, and can find myself feeling self-conscious about wearing my collar, wondering what kind of judgments people are making about me, just because I’m a priest.

I know that it is gut-wrenching for you to hear of this scandal in the Church. It is gut-wrenching for me as well. If the leadership of the Church doesn’t clean up the Church, then the Lord will and it will be painful.

These things are terrible, but I ask you and implore you, to keep the distinction in your mind between the evil that these men have done and the mission of the Church, what the Church is about.

The Church is still the beloved Bride of Christ. The Church is still about spreading the kingdom of God. The Church is still about being the instrument of Salvation for the world. The fact that these men have done these horrendous things does not change the Church's mission, though it does undermine the credibility of the Church and her ability to carry out that mission.

Archbishop Sample wrote in his recent letter that the "Archdiocese renews its commitment to address swiftly, justly and transparently all improper sexual behavior by ministers and those in positions of authority in the Church. We also pledge our continued support and care for the victims of abuse." Please know that we do have in place solid and extensive policies and concrete procedures in our Archdiocese to help protect children, young people and vulnerable adults from sexual abuse. In addition, we do have an archdiocesan office for Child Protection and Victim Assistance that helps us pastorally care for those who have been abused. The Archbishop also has personally invited and urged, in his letter, anyone who has been abused by a member of the clergy, religious, or lay employee or volunteer to please come forward with your complaint to the Office of Victim Assistance or to your local law enforcement officials.

Here are some other suggestions of how we might respond as a people of faith. Speak up! Don't be silent! If you know something, then say something. Fast and pray for the Church! We've been through our own time of suffering in our own archdiocese so we ought to pray for those folks who must be hurting terribly right now, affected most closely by these latest revelations. Let us continue to pray the St. Michael the Archangel prayer for the protection of the Church. Spend some time interceding before the Blessed Sacrament. Live your lives in such a way that you are wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Be holy!

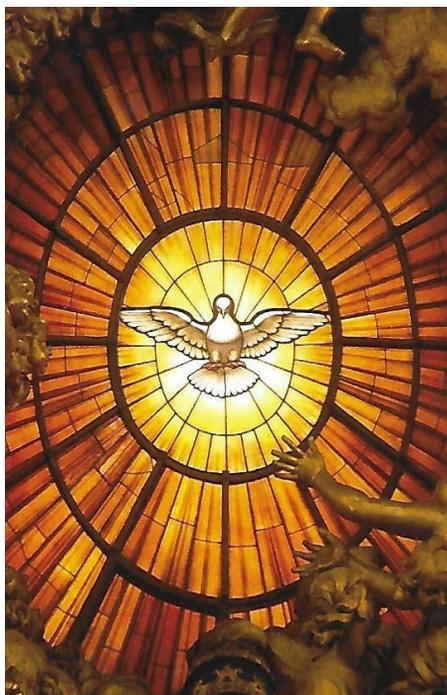
May we always be prudent, and keep our childlike trust in God's grace that despite all that is happening, that Church is still our mother. She is still the means to our salvation. She is still the one that feeds us, nourishes us.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Ron Nelson

In Loving Memory
Of
Fr. Scott Vandehey
State Chaplain
Of the
Catholic Daughters of Oregon

Fr. Scott was the Parish Priest for St. Mary's in Eugene and he was our State Court Chaplain for many years. He will be remembered fondly by the Catholic Daughters. Fr. Scott was very generous with his time at all our CDA functions. Many times bringing gifts of inspirational books for us. He always kept Catholic Daughters in his prayers. To the right is the holy card he handed out for his;
50th Ordination Anniversary



"Because you are God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with heartfelt mercy, with kindness, humility, meekness and patience. Dedicate yourselves to thankfulness. Let the word of Christ, rich as it is, dwell in you. Sing gratefully to God from your hearts in psalms, hymns, and inspired songs. Whatever you do, whether in speech or in action, do it in the name of the Lord Jesus."

Colossians 3:12-18

Fr. Scott Vandehey
50th Ordination Anniversary
1966-2016

LOCAL COURT NEWS

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Quality of Life

Lynda Atto~ Human Trafficking
Corrine Clifford~ Health and Wellness

Youth

JCDA Leader Lisa Hurlimann
JCDA Assistant Julie Rutledge-Sanchez

Legislation

Vacant

Education

Christie Beltran – Education Contest

Spiritual Enhancement

Lisa Hurlimann ~ Spiritual Chair
Oguilvia Skelton ~ Adopt-A-Seminarian

Leadership

Vacant ~ Membership
Jane Myrand & Vacant
Refreshment

Family

Vacant ~ First Way

Court Parliamentarian

Tess Cersovski

Webmaster

Miriam Cersovski

Birthdays

September

- 1 – Barbara Furrer
- 12 – Rose Young*
- 13 – Tess Cersovski*
- 15 – Corrine Clifford*
- 24 – Susan Freeman*
- 29 – Mary Maira*



October

- 12 – Lynn Gori
- 14 – Heather Meenaghan*
- 25 – Marjorie Robb
- 27 – Clodagh Thompson*
- 28 – FriaH Rogers*



Funeral Service for Member

Patricia Heinrich

Monday
September 10, 2018

10:30 Rosary

11:00 Funeral Mass

St. Peters Parish

1150 Maxwell Rd

Eugene



CIRCLE OF LOVE ~ *Quality of Life*

Take a stand against Sexual Exploitation Human Trafficking Vigil

This monthly vigil is held on the first Sunday of the month from 1:30-2:00 pm (only 30 minutes) and held on Gateway Street, Springfield near the main entrance to the Gateway Mall just south of the LTD bus transit station. Signs are provided and all are welcome.

The Dates for *2018*

First Sunday of the month.

January 7 ~ February 4 ~ March 4 ~ April 1 ~ May

6 June 3 ~ July 1~August 5 ~ **September 2**

~October 7 November 4 ~ December 2

LOCAL COURT NEWS



Mass and Our Annual Picnic

Our annual summer Mass was celebrated by Fr. Tom Yuchak of St Jude parish. Following mass a special blessing was given to member Corrine Clifford. Corrine will be going on a pilgrimage hiking the Camino de Santiago. I invite you say this prayer for her as she hikes her way along the Camino de Santiago. We had a very nice turnout of members. With many spouses, friends and family attending. Thank you, Corrine for hosting our event.

PRAYER

"All-powerful God, you always show mercy toward those who you love and you are never far away for those who seek you. Be with your servant, Corrine on her pilgrimage and guide her in accord with your will. Be a companion for Corrine along her journey, a guide at crossroads, strength in her weariness, defense before dangers, shelter on the way, shade against the heat, light in the darkness, a comforter in her discouragements, and firmness in her intentions, in order that, through your guidance, she might arrive unscathed at the end of her journey and, enriched with graces and virtues, Corrine might return safely home; Through Jesus Christ Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever." **Amen**



Fr. Tom Yurchak blessing Corrine.



September 30, 2018
5th Sunday St. Mary Benefit Breakfast
Hosted by
The Knights of Columbus and
The Catholic Daughters of the Americas



What do you need to do? Show up as early 7:00 am – help before going to mass or after mass.

7:00 a.m. Kitchen opens - help set tables and prepare coffee station, also kitchen prep work.

Come before or after the mass you are to attend.

Also

Missionary Sunday at St. Mary Parish Hall. Our Court will have an information table set up in the hall.

Help will be needed to have someone present at the table to answer questions or to hand out information. I invite all members to stop by our table.

Your help is needed, Please contact Julia Kelso.

State News



Day at the Grotto ~ August 19, 2018

It was a beautiful day at the Grotto, in Portland.



Mark your calendar for next Day at the Grotto.
The date has been set for August 18, 2019.

October 13, 2018 (Saturday) Day of Recollection



The Day of Recollection is a day of prayer, fellowship and an opportunity to hear an inspirational speaker. We always end with mass in the upstairs chapel. If you have not attended before I encourage you to join us. There will be a carpool to Mt. Angel. Rain or shine this is always a beautiful day. Please let Julia know if you would like to attend this Day of Recollection.

State Conference and Workshop

September 7-9, 2018

The following members will be representing our Court at the State Conference: Julia Kelso, Oguilvia Skelton, Tess Cersovski, Susan Freeman and Fria Rogers.

The hosting court is Court Columbia #151, Astoria.

Thank you to all the members and the court for the contributions made to our "RADA Cutlery" basket. The proceeds from the Basket Raffle at State Conference goes to the Very Rev. J Hayes Memorial Scholarship.



National News



Newly-Elected National Regent Olga Samaniego announced that the theme for her two year term is:

Speak Lord, For Your Servant Is Listening

And

Bishop Brendan J. Cahill of the Diocese of Victoria, Texas, is National Chaplain

Father Edward Lamp of Florida is National Clergy Consultant

National Clergy Consultant Fr. Ed Lamp's Message

August 21, 2018

My Dear Catholic Daughters,

We are all saddened and disturbed by the recent news reports about priests and bishops in our country who have harmed so many victims and betrayed our trust through sinful acts and omissions. It is tragic, and I ask for forgiveness on behalf of my brother priests. The acts were betrayals of trust that robbed survivors of their dignity and their faith. The church must learn hard lessons from its past, and there should be accountability for both abusers and those who permitted abuse to occur.

With all the strides that have been made, we can do more, and we will do more. A national effort is underway to engage laity, experts and the Vatican to determine what changes are needed to improve our protection of youth. Victims should know that the Holy Father is on their side. Those who have suffered are his priority, and the church wants to listen to them to root out this tragic horror that destroys the lives of the innocent.

Please join me and all Catholic Daughters in praying for all victims whose lives have been wounded by abuse. I and all of our Chaplains pray for each of you that your faith in Jesus Christ will never waver. Let us also pray for our Church and its leaders. May we learn from past mistakes so that we can better safeguard the people we serve.

Father Ed Lamp
National Clergy Consultant

Meet New York Times Bestselling Author – Jane Kirkpatrick

New York Times bestselling author, Jane Kirkpatrick, will present “Frontier Faith and Courage” at St. Paul Catholic Church in Eugene. In her humorous and thought provoking manner, Jane will show the abiding faith of pioneering women. Join Jane as she also talks about faith and courage in today’s world. The event will be held at 7:00 pm (doors open at 6:30), Wednesday, September 19th in the church Parish Hall at 1201 Satre Street, Eugene and is open to the public.

Sponsored by the Women of St. Paul as a fundraiser for the Parish Hall kitchen. Tickets are \$10 at the door. For more information contact Phoebe Orton at phoebecbird@comcast.net or call 541-913-0995 (no text)

*The Catholic Daughters
of the Americas
Court Oregon #118*



*Cordially invites you to enjoy a
"Film Cri*TEA*que"
High Tea
Saturday, October 27th, 2018*



2p.m. to 4p.m.

**** Doors open at 1:00p.m. ****

*St. Mary's Parish Center
1062 Charnelton Street
Eugene, Oregon*



\$20.00 Adults, \$15.00 Seniors, \$10.00 Children 12 & under

*For more information contact:
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Julia Kelso, Regent

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2018 Calendar of Events

- September** 7-9 *State Conference/Workshop, Astoria*
9 – *Homeless Hospitality Dinner at St Mary Parish*
4:30 for set up, 6:00 serve dinner & clean up.
20 – *Evening Meeting 5:30-7:30 St. Mary Parish Hall*
30 – *5th Sunday Knights of Columbus Breakfast*
~ CDA to help~
- October** 13 – *Day of Recollection at the Benedictine Sisters in Mt. Angel Need a ride? Call Julia*
14 – *4:30 Campus Court Installation of Officers at St. Thomas More 1850 Emerald Eugene*
18 - *CDA mass 12:15, Brown Bag Lunch, Meeting to begin at 1:30 pm.*
21 – *Catholic Daughter Sunday KC Breakfast*
Selling High Tea tickets and Basket Raffle Tickets
27 – *High Tea “Film Cri-Tea-Q” Choose your favorite film theme for your table.*
- November** 4 – *11:00 mass offered for CDA members at St Mary*
15 – *CDA mass 12:15 followed by a brown bag lunch and meeting at St. Mary Parish 1062 Charnelton St.*
22 – *Happy Thanksgiving*
- Dec** 2 – *Advent Begins*
20 – *CDA mass and meeting*

Annual Court Dues

Membership dues of \$30 and are payable now. Please mail your \$30.00 dues check to:

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Thank you to all that have paid their dues.