



# Catholic Daughters of the Americas®

February 2020

*Court Oregon #118 Eugene, Oregon*

*Chartered October 1909*

Dear Catholic Daughters,

I am pleased to announce that our Court has voted to change our meeting day to Saturdays. Our first Saturday meeting will be April 18, 2020. Please read the newsletter for meeting dates and times. I encourage all members to invite other Catholic women to our gatherings. Remember we are the only Court in the Vicariate area and we welcome women from all parishes.

The month of February CDA will host our annual Valentine Sweet Heart Bake Sale and Fudge Sale on Sunday February 16<sup>th</sup>. Help will be needed following all morning Masses. Please drop off your baked goods as early as 7:15 am in the St. Mary Parish Hall.

"A Garden Tea Party" Our Courts 8<sup>th</sup> Tea is being planned! Help by being a Table Hostess or with the food preparations the day before the tea and the morning of the tea. There will be an "Informational Tea Meeting" for anyone interested in being a hostess or who might have questions about how to be involved in our Courts tea. Remember the old saying "Many hands make light work". This is a very fun event and I look forward to working with all my CDA sister's. Meeting information at the bottom of page 9.

February 26<sup>th</sup>, Ash Wednesday, marks the beginning of Lent. I pray that you have a blessed Lenten Journey

God bless you.

*In Unity and Charity,  
Julia Kelso, 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."*

## ***Upcoming Meeting and Potluck Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Oregon #118***

***Thursday, February 20, 2020  
1:00 Potluck Lunch ~ 1:30 Meeting***

***St. Mary Parish Hall 1062 Charnelton St. Eugene  
All Catholic women are invited to attend, invite a friend.***

***Please note Mass offered for CDA Members will be  
February 13, 2020 at 12:15 at St. Mary Parish***

## Prayer Corner



### For our Court members

Marie Weber, Stacy Vinolus, Regina Kungys-Cary,  
Eileen Laudani, Mary Maira, Olga Saban, Ernestine O'Brien,  
Ruby Meyer, Pat Vohs, Rosy Makyadath, Cathy Frei,  
Cathy Kirby, and Ronnie Chouinard

### Deceased CDA members

Anna Seeley passed away December 29, 2019

### Family of CDA members

Peter – Son of Tess & Brother of Miriam Cersovski

Carina Myrand – Granddaughter of Jane Myrand

Don Cersovski – Husband of Tess Cersovski

Thomas – Husband of Ernestine O'Brien

Grace Englehardt – Sister of Tess Cersovski

Sarah – Granddaughter of Ernestine O'Brien

Darren – Husband of Cathy Kirby and  
son-n-law of Anna Marie Blume

Julie Ann Daughtery – Daughter of Eileen Laudani

Fred – Husband of Julia Kelso

### 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.

**Send prayer requests to Regent Julia Kelso.**

## Daily Lenten Prayer

God of mercy, You have given us this special time to reflect on  
our lives, believe in the Good News and draw closer to you.

May this season of Lent help us use this time to fast and pray,  
be more generous and show others how to live in Christ.

Let us see each day of this season as a new opportunity to renew  
our lives and gain a deeper appreciation of your active presence  
in us and our community of faith.

Give us the grace to see your face in others,

Especially the poor and those who suffer.

And through your Spirit, enkindle in us the fire of Your love  
so that we may be better disciples of Your redeeming work  
throughout the world. (Tools of the Trade)

## Court Officers

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[www.cdacourtoregon118.com](http://www.cdacourtoregon118.com)

State  
Under construction

National

[www.catholicdaughters.org](http://www.catholicdaughters.org)

**Newsletter Editor: Julia Kelso**



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

February 2020

Dear Catholic Daughters of the State of Oregon,

This year in the Catholic Church on the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time, we celebrated Sunday of the Word of God. This designation was given to this Sunday by our Holy Father Pope Francis. It is meant to bring our attention to the importance of the Word of God in our lives.

The Word of God is so important to us in our spiritual journeys. It helps us to come to know better the will that God has for us in our lives. We learn about God's love and how the word became flesh in the person of Jesus that was born of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We come to know more about Jesus himself, how and what he taught. We hear about the miracles that he performs and the lives that he saves. We also learn that all of this grace and love is available to each of us. We are all invited to receive God's love, we just have to say yes.

One suggestion that I presented to my parish on Sunday of the Word of God was to create a shrine or altar area in your home where you can enthrone God's Word. You may use a simple bible, one that you read from often, or you may have a special family bible. The point is to have the word where it can be honored. It also reminds us to read the bible. Seeing the scriptures kept in a special place in your home is far better of a reminder to read the bible than a dusty old book tucked away on the shelf.

As we continue our journey in these early days of Ordinary Time, let us take up our Holy Father's call to do a better job of honoring this word that our God has given to his people and to commit ourselves to spend more time with this life giving word each day.

May God bless you all during these February Days!

May the Souls of the Faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace!

Gratefully,

Fr. James Herrera  
CDA Oregon State Chaplain

**MESSAGE FROM  
CDA NATIONAL DIRECTOR  
CONNIE DRONETTE**

My Dear Sisters in Christ,

The National Office and Worthy State Regent Tess will be sending out many important dates and deadlines in the coming months. Please take time to fill out your Circle of Love forms. I know you all are doing such wonderful projects. Let's let everyone know about them!

You should have received your call to National Convention from the National Office by now. Hopefully, I will see many of you in Dallas. It is important to make your hotel reservations early.

I will be with members of the National Board in Washington D.C. on January 22-26 for the March for Life. I was so excited to attend the March and the Vigil for Life the night before at the National Basilica. It was an exciting experience and I came away from it on fire. We found out while we were there that President Trump would address the rally on Friday at noon. I always wanted to see a sitting President. I was receiving blessings every time I turned around. Trump may not be your choice for President and that is fine. But he was the first president to address the March for Life and has done more for the cause than any other president. I put a few live videos on the fb page while I was in Washington. If you haven't sent me a request to join, please do so soon. The face book page is a closed group and you must send a request. I check it every day so it will not take me long to approve and you will be ready to join the fun. The group name is National Catholic Daughters of the Americas.

While I was in Washington at the Basilica, I lit a candle and prayed for all the Catholic Daughters in Oregon. As always, you remain in my prayers.

Have a beautiful and blessed February.

Your Servant Sister,

Connie Dronette National Director

## **VALENTINE SWEET HEART FUDGE AND BAKE SALE**

**FEBRUARY 16. 2020**  
*After all morning masses.*

*Drop off your baked goods as early as 7:15 am in the St. Mary Parish Hall. Ladies stop by after the mass you attend and help at the Bake Sale Table. Weather permitting and if enough ladies are there to help we will set a table up outside. Taking the bakers rack out after mass has ended.*

*Questions call Julia Kelso 541-344-6851*

### **St. Mary Feast Day**

#### ***Our Lady of the Presentation***

*Thank you to all the ladies who helped with the reception. Catholic Daughters put together chicken salad sandwiches and deviled eggs. The Latin Mass was celebrated on Saturday February 1<sup>st</sup> by Rev. Ron Nelson, our Court Chaplain.*



*Julia, Jackie, Pat, Fr. Ron, Ogulvia, Susan & Heather*

## **CIRCLE OF LOVE and COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

### ***Quality of Life***

Lynda Atto ~ Human Trafficking  
Corrine Clifford ~ Health and Wellness

### ***Youth***

Lisa Hurlimann

### ***Legislation***

Vacant

### ***Education***

Christie Beltran ~ Education Contest

### ***Spiritual Enhancement***

Lisa Hurlimann ~ Spiritual Chair  
Seminarian Chair's  
Ogulvia Skelton & Kathleen O'Connell

### ***Leadership***

Rosy Makyadath ~ Membership  
Jane Myrand & Pat Halvorsen  
Refreshment

### ***Family***

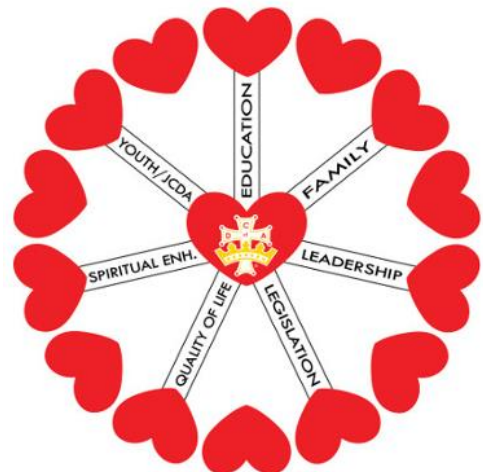
Pat Halvorsen ~ First Way

### ***Court Parliamentary***

Tess Cersovski

### ***Webmaster***

Miriam Cersovski





## LOCAL COURT NEWS

### ***Birthdays***

#### ***February***

- 11 – Joan Chipman\*
- 14 – Virginia Fast\*
- 25 – Ernestine O'Brien

#### ***March***

- 6 – Laura Cox\*
- 20 – Cecilia Hann
- 22 – Rosy Makyadath\*
- 27 – Martha Lynch\*
- 31 – Oguilvia Skelton\*



Mass offered for  
Deceased member

*Marie Blecha*

February 16, 2020

Sunday, at 8:00 am

Location:

St. Paul Parish  
1201 Satre St.  
Eugene

### ***~FOUR GENERATIONS~***



***Congratulations*** to Janeane on the  
birth of her daughter Sara Lynn!

*Four generations, Janeane, Jane and Julia.  
It was not planned, but above Jane's head  
is a photo her mother Mary Alice and she  
was a member of Catholic Daughters, too!*

*Pray that the CDA tradition continues in  
more familys.*

Masses offered for  
Deceased member

*Anna Seeley*

Thursday, February 6, 2020 at 12:15

Sunday March 1, 2020 at 11:00

*St Mary Catholic Church  
1062 Charnelton St. Eugene*



*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 our endeavors be directed to Jesus, your Son,  
through you and your bountiful mercy. Amen*

## State News

*"Therefore, encourage one another and build one another up, as indeed you do."*

*1 Thessalonians 5:11*

### Seminarian list for 2019-2020

#### For Court Oregon #118

Tristan Dillon, Oakland, Mt. Angel, Pastoral year  
Anthony Hoangphan, Portland, Mt. Angel, Theo. 3

Bonaventure Okoro, Fresno, Mt. Angel, Theo. 4

Marcos Ricardo Alvarado, Portland, Mt. Angel, College 1

Darrell Edward Falconburg, Boise, Pre-Theo 2

Send a note to a Seminarian. Abbey Address:

Mount Angel Abbey

1 Abbey Dr.

Benedict, OR 97373

Dalton Rogers, Pastoral year

Send mail to: 1516 Center Ave, Los Banos, CA 93635

Please pray for our Court's adopted Seminarists as well as vocations to the religious life.

Mark your calendar for the next Cookie Day

May 1, 2020

### 2019-2020 Penny Drive

#### The Grotto in Portland

Donations are collected at all the CDA meetings. If you are unable to attend a meeting and would like to donate to this Penny Drive, you may mail your donation to:



Local Court Financial Secretary,

Friah Rogers

175 S. Garden Way, Apt 328

Eugene, Or 97401

Thank you for your support.

## Upcoming State Events

**August 14, 15 and 16, 2020 is the Oregon State Conference  
Which will be the same weekend as *CDA Day at The Grotto*.**

*Patroness of the Order is Mary Our Mother who is the exemplar and guiding light. At the 1925 National Convention, the Oregon State Court asked National to assist in placing a statue of Mary Our Mother at The Grotto, the Sanctuary of our Sorrowful Mother in Portland. The statue would commemorate the 700<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the Servite Order and honor all Catholic Daughters. The Bronze statue was specially designed for the Sanctuary and blessed in the Vatican by Pope Pius XI. It was erected 150 feet directly above Our Lady's Grotto in 1933. On the Sunday closest to August 15<sup>th</sup> Catholic Daughters from throughout Oregon gather at The Grotto for noon Mass. Support for The Grotto has been a state CDA project for many years.*

The above information is from the Oregon Catholic Historical Society written by Gloria Amort, Past State Regent C.D.A.

More information on the Conference to come.

## NATIONAL NEWS



### National Scholarship

The National Court will award two \$1,000.00 scholarships to 8<sup>th</sup> grade students entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall of 2020 entering in a Catholic High School. To download an Application/Cover Sheet log on to the National website. At the bottom of the Home Page the form will be contained in the [Education Contest Forms](#).

**All entries must be postmarked no later than April 1, 2020.**

Mail to Debbie Lattus, Youth/JCDA Chairman, 39424 Rodeffer Road, Lovettsville, VA 20180

## CDA NATIONAL 58<sup>th</sup> BIENNIAL CONVENTION

**July 15-19, 2020**

It's time to make court plans to attend the next CDA National Convention to be held on July 15-19, 2020, at the downtown Sheraton Hotel in Dallas, Texas.

### Hotel

#### **Convention Headquarters Hotel**

You must make your hotel reservations directly with the hotel.

Sheraton Dallas Hotel  
400 North Olive Street  
Dallas, Texas, 75201

The room rate is **\$159.00** for singles and double/doubles. You can make your reservations by calling Marriott Central Reservations at **888-627-8191**. Make sure you ask for the Catholic Daughter rate.

PLEASE NOTE: These rates CANNOT be guaranteed after the cut-off time and date of 12:01 a.m. on **June 1, 2020**, or once the room block is full, whichever comes first. PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY. Please have ONLY ONE person make reservations for you and your group. Check with the hotel regarding cancellation fees. Due to strict attrition rules, National is not responsible for rooms booked but not used. Please do not overbook. Last minute cancellations will make our quota for rooms difficult to maintain.

### Tours

Pre-convention and post-convention tours to local areas of interest.

### Workshops

Tuesday, July 14, 2020, is workshop day. Join the national officers as they take you on a fabulous journey! Workshops will be offered in the areas of Leadership, Membership, Spiritual Enhancement, Family, Youth and JCDA, and on Developing Your Court's Program. In addition to the Tuesday workshops, we will again be offering workshops during the lunch break. If you plan to attend lunch workshops, you will want to pick up your lunch at the concessions stand before heading to the workshop. More information will be in the Second Call to Convention.



Annual Pro-Life  
*Valentine*  
Dinner Dance

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2020**  
**ST. MARY'S PARISH CENTER**

Social Time 5:30 PM

Dinner Time 6:30 PM

Dance Time 7:30 PM

\$30 per person | Dinner and refreshments provided

For Tickets/Reservations:  
Call 541-953-8309 or email [courtesyd@comcast.net](mailto:courtesyd@comcast.net)



All funds raised will be used to buy a new ultrasound for the 1st Way Mobile van



Featuring the Blue Rooster Band

*Hosted By Knights of Columbus Council 1430*



# "A Garden Tea Party"

The Catholic Daughters  
of the Americas  
Court Oregon #118



Cordially invites you to join us for an  
Elegant Afternoon High Tea  
Saturday, April 25, 2020

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: Julia Kelso 541-344-6851

*Our Court will need table hostesses and volunteers for food preparations the day before and the morning of the High Tea. This is a wonderful Court event and only made possible by Court members volunteering. For those interested in being a Hostess or helping in another way please come to an informational meeting February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3:00 pm at the home of Jane Myrand 2813 Taito, Eugene 97404 ~ phone 541-607-2908*



**Julia Kelso, Regent**

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### ***2020 Calendar of Events***

February	13	CDA Mass at St. Mary 12:15 offered for CDA members
	16	<b>CDA Sweet Heart Bake Sale following all morning Masses.</b>
	20	CDA - 1:00 Potluck, 1:30 Meeting
	23	High Tea Informational meeting at Jane Myrand's Home 3:00 pm 2813 Taito St. Eugene
March	19	CDA Mass at St Mary 12:15 offered for CDA members 1:00 Potluck 1:30 Meeting
April	18	FIRST SATUDAY CDA MEETING (Time TBA) St Mary Parish Hall
	25	<b>High Tea "A Garden Tea Party"</b>
May	19	Carmelit Benefit Dinner
	23	CDA Saturday Meeting
June	20	CDA Saturday Meeting
July		No Meeting
August	14,15, and 15 State Conference same weekend as CDA DAY at THE GROTTTO	
Annual Court Mass and Picnic Date, Place and Time TBA		