

Court Oregon #118 Eugene, Oregon

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Dear Catholic Daughters,

Wishing you all best in our New Year, 2020! I am anxiously awaiting the arrival of my 10th Grandchild. The joy of a new baby! With just celebrating the birth of our Lord, I think of the joy that Joseph and Mary felt with the arrival of baby Jesus, the feeling of hope of a new life.

With the New Year we think of new beginnings, starting fresh whether with praying more, changing our diet, trying to be more forgiving and the list goes on. Try something new like one of the many Chairmanships in our Court. Whatever your new challenge I hope you are successful.

Thank you to all that donated goodies or helped with the Saint Mary Christmas Party. There was a good crowd and so much fun singing carols and watching the movie, "The Bells of Saint Mary".

Check your calendars and save the date for our Courts High Tea, Saturday April 25, 2020. This will be our 8th Tea! Help by being a Table Hostesses or food preparations the day before the tea and the morning of the 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.

God bless you.

In Unity and Charity, Julia Kelso, Regent

> Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Oregon #118

Thursday, January 16, 2020
12:15 Mass offered for CDA members
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.

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



Marie Weber, Stacy Vinolus, Regina Kungys-Cary, Kay Gillette - Past Local Court Regent, 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.

Funeral for member Anna Seeley

January 10, 2020 at
St Mary Catholic Church
1062 Charnelton St. Eugene
12:15 Mass ~ Reception to follow
CDA to provide food, set up, serving
and clean up for the reception.

Anna was a CDA member for 15 years, And held the office of Recording Secretary. Our Court is grateful for her service to our Court.



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> State Under construction

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"Like the Village Fountain"

Most Reverend Brendan J. Cahill, S.T.D. National Chaplain

A few years ago, someone was preaching about St. John XXIII and the person quoted some words of the saintly Pope. St. John XXIII hoped for the Church to have a motherly face. He believed that her task was to keep "her arms open to receive everyone," and be a "home for one and all" that "desires to belong to everyone, and in particular she is the Church of the poor, like the village fountain."

As we are preparing to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, it remains striking to see that he wasn't born in a palace or castle. Mary gave birth to a Son in a manger, with the just and humble Joseph protecting her and her Child. The beauty of the art and music that portray this event and the childhood of Jesus shine brightly the mission of the Church. We have come to believe that this Child brings hope and healing to the world, and we go out with energy to proclaim the beauty and potential for every child. Like the village fountain we give water to everyone, with no distinction.

How blessed we are to proclaim this Good News! I know that in our area Catholic Daughters are preparing gift baskets for mariners, offering special meals for people who are lonely and suffering, visiting prisoners who may feel hopeless and despairing, and much, much more. All of these actions are powerful in themselves and are made even more powerful when connected to the love of God and humanity shining forth from that manger in Bethlehem 2000 years ago.

- St. John XXIII prayed a simple prayer every day that kept him connected with Jesus. It was a commitment of 10 things each day and is called the daily Decalogue of Pope John XXIII. I think this could be a powerful prayer for us as we celebrate the Christmas season and begin to make our commitments for a new 2020:
- 1) Only for today, I will seek to live the livelong day positively without wishing to solve the problems of my life all at once.
- 2) Only for today, I will take the greatest care of my appearance: I will dress modestly; I will not raise my voice; I will be courteous in my behavior; I will not criticize anyone; I will not claim to improve or to discipline anyone except myself.
- 3) Only for today, I will be happy in the certainty that I was created to be happy, not only in the other world but also in this one.
- 4) Only for today, I will adapt to circumstances, without requiring all circumstances to be adapted to my own wishes.
- 5) Only for today, I will devote 10 minutes of my time to some good reading, remembering that just as food is necessary to the life of the body, so good reading is necessary to the life of the soul.
- 6) Only for today, I will do one good deed and not tell anyone about it.
- 7) Only for today, I will do at least one thing I do not like doing; and if my feelings are hurt, I will make sure that no one notices.
- 8) Only for today, I will make a plan for myself: I may not follow it to the letter, but I will make it. And I will be on guard against two evils: hastiness and indecision.
- 9) Only for today, I will firmly believe, despite appearances, that the good Providence of God cares for me as no one else who exists in this world.
- 10) Only for today, I will have no fears. In particular, I will not be afraid to enjoy what is beautiful and to believe in goodness. Indeed, for 12 hours I can certainly do what might cause me consternation were I to believe I had to do it all my life.

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+Brendan

LOCAL COURT NEWS

CHRISTMAS CANDY KISS GUESS



Congratulations to our Winners First Place ~ Tammy Higgins Second Place ~ Jackie Cabalka



Thank you to all that participated. Also many thanks to those that contributed goodies for the Christmas Party at St. Mary. A very fun evening of music, singing Christmas Carols, an Ugly Sweater Contest and watching "The Bells of St. Mary".



RADA CUTLERY

YES!!! Our Court is still selling RADA Cutlery one of our Courts ongoing fundraisers. Keep RADA in mind, for the holidays, birthdays, and weddings or for any of your gift giving needs? There are two ways to see and order all the wonderful products of RADA. Visit our Courts website and just click on the RADA link to see the items. Secondly you can obtain a catalogue from Barbara or Julia and place your order through us. Our Court receives 40% of all sales Please consider shopping RADA as your next gift option.

To obtain a catalogue or to order on the website contact: Barbara Gunn 541-686-6690

Julia Kelso 541-344-6851

Court website www.cdacourtoregon118.com

WORDS OF WISDOM

"In each one of you there is a chest, a box, and inside there's a treasure. Your job is to open the chest and pull out the treasure, make it grow, give it to others, and receive the treasure of others. We all have a treasure inside of us. If we keep it closed, it stays closed; if we share it with others, the treasure multiplies with the treasures that come from others. What I want to tell you is: do not hide the treasure which each one of you has. Sometimes it's easy to find, sometimes you must go on a treasure hunt, you don't find it immediately. But once you find it, share it! Because, through sharing it, you receive from another and it multiplies...Go forward! What you do in the place where you are also helps us all to understand that life is a beautiful treasure, but only makes sense when we give it."

***Pope Francis

November & December meeting highlights

- ❖ 2019-2020 Proposed Budget was approved
- ❖ Three gift tags from the St. Mary "Giving Tree" were filled.
- Discussion concerning moving the Court meetings to Saturday. This was tabled so further discussions can take place. Please let your thoughts be known to the Regent or other Officers of the Court.
 - ~ Thank you ~

LOCAL COURT NEWS

Birthdays January

- 3 Regina Kungys-Cary*
- 7 Ronnie Chouinard*
- 9 Shirley Fogarty *
- 9 Corrine Lopez*
- 10 Gloria Michaels
- 14 Anne Olsen *
- 16 Kathleen O'Connell *
- 20 Susan Steimer*
- 21 Danuta Hall*
- 28 Pat Klenke*
- 29 Vilma Baker

















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





Masses offered for deceased member

Marie Blecha

Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at 8:30 am

Sunday, February 16, 2020 at 8:00 am

Location: St. Paul Parish
1201 Satre St., Eugene

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 Oguilvia Skelton & Kathleen O'Connell

Leadership

Rosy Makyadath ~ Membership Jane Myrand & Pat Halvorsen Refreshment

Family

Pat Halvorsen ~ First Way

Court Parliamentarian

Tess Cersovski

Webmaster Miriam Cersovski



STATE NEWS

2019-2020 Penny Drive

State Penny Drive is for The Grotto. Pennies (and other coins & bills) are being collected. Thank you for your support.

Seminarian list for 2019-2020

For Court Oregon #118

Tristan Dillon, Oakland, Mt. Angel, Pastoral year Dalton Rogers, Fresno, 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

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

Mark your calendar for the next Cookie Day May 1, 2020

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

1 Thessalonians 5:11

Congratulations

Bonaventure Okoro Ordained a Deacon on December 21, 2019



Tess, Jane, Deacon Bonaventure & Oguilvia

Seminarian Benefit Dinner March 8, 2020

Reception 4 PM ~ Dinner and Program 5 PM
The Graduate Hotel ~ Eugene
For tickets or to sponsor a table contact Oguilvia Skelton 541-689-4030

2020 OREGON STATE CONFERENCE

This will be the same weekend as CDA DAY AT THE GROTTO Friday, August 14, 15, and 16, 2020. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

More information to come.

2021 OREGON STATE CONVENTION

This event will be held in Hermiston April 16, 17& 18, 2021

NATIONAL NEWS

National Scholarship

The National Court will award two \$1,000.00 scholarships to 8th grade students entering 9th grade in the fall of 2020 entering in a Catholic High School. Notification of National Scholarship recipients will be posted on the CDA website at www.catholicdaughtersorg by mid-August 2020. 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

FIRST CALL TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION

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 reservations can now be made by calling Marriott Central Reservations at 1-888-627-8191. Ask for the Catholic Daughters of the Americas rate.





FOR MORE DETAILS, GO TO WWW.ORTL.ORG

National March for Life

The 47th Annual March for Life will be held on Friday, January 24, 2020 in Washington, D.C. The theme for 2020 is "Life Empowers: Pro-Life is Pro Woman." A Pro-Life Mass will take place on Friday, January 23, 2020, at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Come join the Catholic Daughter members from different cities marching for this worthy cause. A Legislative breakfast for CDA members who attend the March will be held on Saturday, January 25, in the Washington Court Hotel at 9:00 AM.

2020 Annual Priests Appreciation Dinner



With Honored Guest MOST REV. FR. JOHN G. VLAZNY Archbishop Emeritus of Portland in Oregon

⇒ 5:30 Reception

⇒ 6:30 Dinner

formal attire

All are Invited to Attend
Seating is limited. Reservations accepted and
confirmed prepaid and first-come.

\$40 per person Buffet with chicken and fish entate

Reservations: E-mail or call David Olszyk, olsdan@proaxis.com (541) 689-8070

To confirm reservation and prepay mail check, payable to KC 898, to 2020 Priests Appreciation Dinner c/o David Olszyk 3149 Duck Horn Drive Eugene OR 97404

Consider adding a donation to your reservation confirmation check to desirt in offering our priests and deacons complimentary dinners.



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PRAYER TO END ABORTION

Lord God, I thank you today for the gift of my life, and for the lives of all my brothers and sisters. I know there is nothing that destroys more life than abortion, yet I rejoice that you have conquered death by the Resurrection of Your Son. I am ready to do my part in ending abortion. Today I commit myself never to be silent, never to be passive, and never to be forgetful of the unborn. I commit myself to be active in the Pro-Life movement, and never to stop defending life until all my brothers and sisters are protected, and our nation once again becomes a nation with liberty and justice not just for some, but for all, through Christ our Lord. Amen

(Father Frank Pavone, National Director, Priests for Life)

SAVE THE DATE



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.

2020 Calendar of Events

January 1 Happy New Year

16 CDA Mass at St. Mary 12:15 offered for CDA members

1:00 Potluck, 1:30 Meeting

February 20 CDA Mass at St. Mary 12:15 offered for CDA members

1:00 Potluck, 1:30 Meeting

Carmelite Benefit Dinner May 19, 2020

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 2020

"Dear brothers and sisters, in your daily apostolate, do not let yourselves be conditioned by age or by number. What counts most is the capacity to repeat the initial "yes" to the call of Jesus who continues to make himself heard, in every new way, in every season of life. His call and our response keep our hope alive. Prophecy, proximity, hope. By living this way, you will have joy in your heart, the distinctive sign of the followers of Jesus. I bless you and I entrust you to Our Mother."

Pope Francis