

March 2018



Catholic Daughters of the Americas®

Court Oregon #118 Eugene, Oregon

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Dear CDA Sisters,

I pray that your Lenten journey is going well. It is always a challenge to continue to be self disciplined in what I have chosen to do for Lent. May you be blessed with the grace and strength to continue in your prayers, fasting and sacrifices you make for this Lenten season.

I have mentioned before there is no "I" in Court only "our". If you have any ideas that will lead our Court in a positive direction, I am always open to hearing them. It is through ideas given that make our Court great!

One wonderful idea was brought to my attention and that is we have a "Brown Bag Lunch" for our next Court meeting, March 15th. What a great idea for Lent and maybe for future meetings as well. There will be coffee and tea provided. We just ask that you bring something if you want to eat.

I want to thank all those that made salads, fudge, donated or helped in some way for our Valentine Salad Luncheon and Fudge Sale. We had a beautiful display of so many different kinds of salads. Unfortunately we did not have the best turn out. Ideas were given in how we might improve next years Luncheon if it is decided to try again. We had enough Fudge to sell the following day at St. Mary Parish hall after all the morning masses. I still had several plates following the Hispanic mass. When I walked Oguilvia and Giancarlo Gazani a Seminarian from Mt Angel. Giancarlo is from Peru and many of you know that is Oguilvia's home country, too. Since they both are from Peru they have developed a special friendship over the past few years. I was very grateful for Giancarlo's



enthusiasm as he went around introducing himself and explaining his connection to the Catholic Daughters. Through his encouragement we sold out of our Fudge. We are very grateful for his help and enthusiasm.

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."

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Court Oregon #118

*Meetings are held the third Thursday of the month. Mass is offered for all CDA members at 12:15
Followed by a potluck lunch & meeting at 1:00 pm at 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

Family of CDA members

*Sarah – Granddaughter of Ernestine O'Brien
Darren – Husband of Cathy Kirby and son-n-law of Anna Marie Blume
George - Husband of Christie Beltran
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. Vlanzy, 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.*



*Heavenly Father, help us to follow you through our daily actions, even unto your death at Calvary. It is through life's sorrow, failures and pain as well as life's happiness, successes and well-being that lead us closer to you. May we always be faithful to you and thankful for your ultimate sacrifice for all of us.
Amen.*

Court Officers

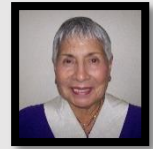
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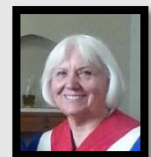
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Newsletter Editor: Julia Kelso

A Message from Our Court Chaplain

Rev. Ron Nelson,



Dear CDA members,

Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving are still penitential practices that are dear to our Christian tradition, and Lent is a time of spiritual training. We might think of it as our spiritual boot camp. Lent is a time to prepare for Easter, or better to prepare ourselves to better experience the power of God at Easter. These spiritual practices of self-denial are an important part of our Christian heritage. Even our Lord, Jesus, fasted to prepare for his mission. The question that might come to our mind is, what good does depriving ourselves of God's good gifts do for us? Fasting helps us to overcome sin. One of God's first prohibitions was not to eat of the fruit of the knowledge of good and evil (Gen. 2:16-17). True fasting is not so much about giving something up, but about making room to receive what God has to give: "Man shall not live on bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God." (Mt. 4:4). Fasting is used to bridle sin, especially sins of the flesh. Fasting teaches us not to live for ourselves but the one who gave us life. St. Augustine says that it helps us to avoid sin and increase intimacy for God. And it makes us more empathetic to our brothers and sisters who are hungry.

Almsgiving represents a specific way to assist those in need and, at the same time, it is an exercise in self-denial to free us from attachment to worldly attachments. We are not created for ourselves but for God and for our brothers and sisters. We are connected. Our alms also represent, in a sense, ourselves. It is a gift of our selves. Lastly, we can look at the Lenten practice of prayer, which is enhanced by these other two Lenten practices. If you find that your prayer seems dry or useless, almsgiving and fasting can bring new life to your prayer. Our prayer is not just about me and God, but prayer is for the whole Church – this is most evident in liturgical prayer.

To conclude, these three practices: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, are tried and true parts of our tradition, so I encourage you this Lenten season to make use of these practices. Our ultimate goal is to participate in God's divine life, just as the branches share in the same life as the vine. These practices can help you more deeply connect with Jesus who is the Divine vine. Stretch your hearts and drink deeply of what the Lord has in store for you.

In Christ, *Fr. Ronald Nelson*

Seminarians for Court Oregon #118

Tristan Dillon, Salt Lake City,
Mt. Angel, College 4
Isaac Allwin, Tucson,
Mt. Angel, College 3
Dalton Rogers, Fresno,
Mt. Angel, Pre-Theo. 2
Anthony Hoangphan, Portland,
Mt. Angel, Pre-Theo 1
Joshua Nehnevaj, Seattle,
Mt. Angel, Pre-Theo. 1
Bonaventure Okoro, Fresno,
Mt. Angel, Theo. 1

Keep the Seminarians in your prayers and send them a prayer request or some encouraging words.

Mail may be sent to:

**Mount Angel Abbey
1 Abbey Dr.
St. Benedict, Or 97373**



Seminarian Chair—Oguilvia Skelton

The Seminarian Benefit Dinner will be March 4th at the Eugene Hilton. What a wonderful response from our members in showing their support of the Seminarian's. There will be **three** tables of CDA members and spouses attending this Benefit! We look forward to meeting with some of our adopted Seminarians and visiting with many others.

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

Stacy Lee Vinolus – Membership
Jane Myrand & Pat Halvorsen
Refreshment

Family

Pat Halvorsen – First Way

Court Parliamentarian

Tess Cersovski

Webmaster

Miriam Cersovski

Birthdays

March

- 6 – Laura Cox *
- 20 – Cecelia Hann
- 22 – Rosy Makyadath *
- 27 – Martha Lynch *
- 31 – Kay Gillette *
(Past Regent)
- 31 – Oguilvia Skelton *
(Past Regent)

April

- 2 – Jackie Cabalka*
- 4 – Christie Beltran*
- 8 – Anna Marie Blume*
- 10 – Rosa Gonzalez*
- 13 – Juanita Thorstad*
- 14 – Donna Schatz*
- 14 – Stacy Lee Vinolus*
- 18 – Corrine Palmer
- 25 – Eileen Laudani*
- 27 – Anna Seeley*
- 30 – Donna Slonecker



BROWN BAG LUNCH

March 15, 2018
12:15 mass
1:00 Brown Bag Lunch
1:30 Meeting to Start

This being Lent what better time to simplify and do with a little less. Coffee and tea will be available.

First Way – Chair Pat Halvorsen

Our court will be collecting baby shower items at the April and May meeting. New and Gently used baby items may be brought to a Court meeting. Other ideas: baby wash, diapers, diaper wipes, blankets, towels, wash clothes and just about anything related to what a baby might need. First Way also collects items for toddlers as well.



LOCAL COURT NEWS

RADA Cutlery – Chair Barbara Gunn and we welcome a new Co-Chair Susan Freeman.



Rada Cutlery can be ordered anytime of the year. How? Our Court has a link that will take you directly to OUR Courts RADA Cutlery site. How do you tell others about this link to Rada Cutlery? One very simple way is to direct anyone to our Courts website www.cdacourtoregon118.com on the home page they click on the RADA link. You will be directed to the RADA INTERNET FUNDRAISING site. There at the top of the page you will see the following:



Your purchases will support the fundraiser for Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Oregon #118

An order can be placed and our Court will receive approx. 40% of the website sales. We will continue to have catalogues available for members to take and share with family and friends and we will continue to take orders the “old fashioned” way.

To place orders, get a catalogue or answer questions call: Barbara Gunn 541-686-6690

SPRING TIME Bake Sale

Sunday March 18, 2018

Ladies we will have our “Spring Time” Bake Sale at St. Mary Parish Hall following all morning masses. Please have your goodies to the hall as early as 7:30 am.

Or your goodies can be dropped off on Saturday at some other locations:

**Jane Myrand 2813 Taito phone 541-607-2908
Or Ogulvia Skelton 677 Alva Park Dr.
541-689-4030**

EVENING MEETING

April 19th

Time 5:30-7:30 pm

At St. Mary Parish Hall.

Our hope is that all mom’s and women working outside the home will make time to attend this evening of prayer and the regular monthly meeting. Lite snacks provided.

Circle of Love ~ Quality of Life

Take a stand against Sexual Exploitation - Human Trafficking Vigil

The monthly vigil is held on the first Sunday of the month. The vigil is 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.

Dates for the first Sunday of the month.

2018

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

UPCOMING MARCH AGENDA ITEMS

1. Nominating and electing three members to be on the Nominating Committee.
2. Voting: Donations to State and National Projects and Charities, Fudge Sale donation,

Carmelite Benefit Dinner

May 1, 2018 to be held at O'Hara Catholic School

Tickets are \$25.00

Tickets can be purchased from our member Heather Meenaghan. Heather will bring tickets to our monthly meetings or you can contact St. Mary parish office.

Mark your calendar

May 4th next "Cookie Day". This is always a wonderful experience. The beautiful drive to the Abbey and a great opportunity to meet our Courts Adopted Seminarians!

May 17th meeting has been **changed to May 10th**. Election of new officers will take place at this meeting.

June Installation Mass to be announced.

August It's not too early to think about the August picnic! Would you like to host the picnic at your home, backyard? A Saturday Picnic would be nice so more of the working members can attend.

Valentine Salad Luncheon And Fudge Sale



Masses to be offered for deceased Member

Peggy Staalberg

Thursday, April 5, 2018 at 12:15
And Sunday, May 20, 2018 at
11:00 am.

Mass to be at St. Mary Parish
1062 Charnelton St. Eugene

*May the souls of the faithfully
departed rest in peace.*

Amen



State News

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

September 7-9, 2018

State Conference and Workshop

The Conference and Workshop is meant for all CDA members. Come join other CDA sisters from different parts of our state for a fun time of fellowship, prayer and an opportunity to learn more about CDA. The hosting court is: **Court Columbia #151, Astoria**

We will be staying at the Comfort Suites Inn (503) 325-2000. Room rates are \$169 per night. Be sure to mention you are with Catholic Daughters of the Americas.

Ladies who are planning to attend this year's State Conference:

Julia Kelso, Oguilvia Skelton, Tess Cersovski and Pat Halvorsen.

There is still time for you to decide if you would like to attend this event.

State Penney Drive is for the Benedictine Sisters at Mt. Angel.

Loose change and bills are collected at every meeting. If you are unable to attend a meeting and want to make a donation for the

Benedictine Sisters please send your check, with "Benedictine Sisters" on the memo line, to the Financial Secretary:

Pat Halvorsen 1560 Acorn Park,
Eugene, Or 97402

These funds will be taken to the State Conference in September with a combined donation from all the Oregon CDA courts.

Vocation Prayer

Great and Glorious Creator, Thank You for the challenges of life. Give us Your Holy Spirit to strengthen us to meet these challenges.

Raise up in our Church women and men of courage and commitment to live out the gospel in religious vocation and to make a difference in our world.

Give them listening and generous hearts to hear when you call; to answer, "Here I am."

We pray in Jesus' name. Amen

Benedictine Sisters Queen of Angels Monastery

National News

National Convention 2018

Sioux Falls, SD July 18 – 22, 2018

Delegates and Alternates were nominated and voted on at the Feb 15th meeting. The two Delegates that will be voting on your behalf are Julia Kelso, Regent and Tess Cersovski, Recording Secretary. The Alternates are Oguilvia Skelton-Vice Regent, Corrine Clifford, Rosa M. Gonzalez and Juana Guilliams.

If you are considering going to the Convention and have not yet told the Regent, please do so soon, as reservations for airline tickets and hotel reservations are being to be made.

NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

The National Court will award two \$1,000.00 scholarships to an 8th grader entering 9th grade to a Catholic High School? An Application/Cover sheet can be obtained on the National website.

www.catholicdaughters.org

Ladies,

Please prayerfully consider serving our Court. Many of our members are unable to serve due to age, health issues or health issues of a loved one they are caring for. If you are unable to even consider holding an office I ask you to please pray for those that are able and may be considering holding an office of the Court.

Even if you have never done the duties listed below you will receive the support and training from the current officers. Our State officers are available to help you as well.

Thank you for all the prayers for our Court.

Local Court Officers and Duties (abbreviated list)

Regent

1. Preside at all meetings
2. Prepare agenda for all meetings
3. Countersign all Local Court checks
4. Represent the Court at meetings of the State Court. If possible attend State Convention & Conference
5. Follow Roberts Rules (Note: our Court has the State Parliamentarian as a member)
6. Ensure Financial Reviews are completed every 6 months (schedule meeting with District Deputy)
7. Enforce Local Standing Rules
8. Sign all correspondence of the Local Court unless authority is designated to the Recording Secretary.
9. Work with Newsletter Editor. Making sure all necessary information is covered.
10. Appoint Circle of Love Chair and Special Committee Chairs

Vice Regent

1. Assist Regent when requested
2. Standing Rules Committee Chair
3. Read Correspondence from State and National at Court meetings

Recording Secretary

1. Keep accurate minutes of all meetings
2. Present list of all bill to be paid to Court Treasurer
3. Conduct correspondence of Local Court, except as specified under the duties of the Financial Secretary

Financial Secretary

1. Receive all Monies for the court
2. Issue receipts, post receipts in cash book and post receipts on membership card
3. Count money with Treasurer and issue receipt
4. Reports changes in membership by sending application, renewal and forms to state & national
5. Place orders for supplies.

Treasurer

1. Receive all monies from Financial Secretary only and give receipt to Financial Secretary
2. Pay all bills with approval of Court.
3. Present a Treasurer's Report at the regular meeting
4. Make bank deposits
5. Balance check book
6. Record all transaction in ledger
7. Serve on the Budget Committee

More detailed description of Officer Duties can be found in the "Tools of the Trade" on the National website: www.catholicdaughters.org

ALL ARE WELCOME!



St. Patrick's Dinner Celebration

Saturday Evening,
March 17, 2018

For reservations, call
Paul Noonan, (541) 915-3342,
or Jay Ross,
(541) 653-8125
\$20 per person, \$8
for kids age 10 or
under



Columbus Club
1144 Charnellon St.
Eugene, Oregon
Columbus Club is just
half a block south of
St. Mary Catholic Church

Dinner—a true Irish dinner featuring corned beef and cabbage with all the trimmings. Doors open at 6:00. Dinner served at 7:00. Make your reservation today. Seating is limited. First come, first served. Music and dancing with the very popular Heart Tones ensemble.

**Best
corned beef
and cabbage
in town!**



*Join
in on
the
fun*



Sponsored by Archbishop Ireland Assembly 505 of the Knights of Columbus, Eugene, Oregon



Julia Kelso, Regent
P O Box 8518
Coburg, Or 97408

2018 Calendar of Events

March

4 – Seminary Benefit Dinner Reception 4pm Dinner 5pm Eugene Hilton
8 – CDA officer and chairman meeting 10:00-12:00 at St Mary in the St. Luke room
15- **CDA Monthly meeting** 12:15 mass followed by a **BROWN BAG LUNCH**
& meeting at 1:00. Held at St. Mary Parish hall 1062 Charnelton St. Eugene

18 – CDA Springtime Bake Sale at St. Mary Parish Hall



April

12 - CDA officer and chairman meeting 10:00-12:00 at St Mary in the St. Luke room
19 – CDA monthly mass 12:15 (no afternoon meeting)

19 – CDA EVENING MEETING 5:30-7:30 pm at St. Mary Parish Hall

May

4 – Seminarian Cookie Day at Mt. Angel

10 - **CDA Monthly meeting** 12:15 mass followed by a potluck/meeting at 1:00 held at
St Mary Parish hall 1062 Charnelton St. Eugene. **Please note change to 2nd Thursday**

17 – **CDA mass 12:15 NO meeting**

June

1 - Save the Date O'Hara's 20th Annual Living Saint Projects 12:30-2:30 in Gymnasium

17 – **CDA to make and serve coffee cake at KC Father's Day Breakfast**

21 - **CDA Monthly meeting** 12:15 mass followed by a potluck/meeting at 1:00 held at
St. Mary Parish hall 1062 Charnelton St. Eugene

July

17-22 CDANational Convention in Sioux Falls, South Dakota

August

TBA - CDA Day at the Grotto