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Regent's Reflections Mary Pufall, State Regent

Greetings Dear CDA Sisters!

So happy that summer has finally arrived! The State Board and CDA Sisters from Lismore, Fergus Falls, Mazeppa-Bellechester, Medford and St. Charles are preparing to travel to San Juan, Puerto Rico for the National Convention. Deacon Dan Hannig (Vera) and Deacon Paul Tschann (Monica) will be attending as well. We are excited to reconnect with friends, attend pre-conference workshops, conduct business and have a lot of FUN! Many activities are planned, such as Walk/Run for Life, A Musical Night of Puerto Rican Culture, MN State Night, Puerto Rico Fun Night, Red, White and Blue Friday and the Installation of our New National Officers and National Directors.



We will have much to share with all of you when we return at our Summer and Fall Workshops. Each Court has received the updated Workshop Flyer. Locations are Waseca and Wilmont in August and Eveleth and Perham in September. We hope to distribute the Gummi bears for our Habitat for Humanity project at the workshops. Our next Habitat Build in Minnesota will be in Fergus Falls. I was able to attend the Blessing of the Site in May. It was a beautiful ceremony, and for me, the highlight was meeting the family.

Thank you and congratulations to our new Local Court Officers for 2022-2024! I appreciate the efforts of each Court's nominating committee and each officer who accepted the call. We also need to extend our gratitude and thanks to the officers who served during the pandemic. We were shut down for a while, but in true Catholic Daughter fashion, persevered with flexibility, grace and determination to serve and meet the needs of our parishes and community.

Finally, now is the time to save the date for our 50th Biennial convention April 21-22, 2023 in Detroit Lakes. We will be celebrating a Century of Faith, Hope and Love and are looking forward to seeing all of you there. While we have many memories to share of days past, we look forward to a bright and beautiful future as Catholic Daughters.

Enjoy the rest of our summer and return in the fall energized and refreshed. I can't wait to see what the next year holds for us.



Mary Pufall

Dear Minnesota CDA Members,

Thank you from the **MN State CDA Board**, your local **MN CDA Delegates**, and **National and Past National Board Members** for your support and prayers as we attended the 2022 National CDA Convention in San Juan, Puerto Rico. It truly was an inspirational experience with opportunities to attend Mass together, spend time in adoration, and pray for each other and you, while also participating in business meetings, voting on by-law updates and electing new National officers and directors. Meeting, socializing, and having fun with old and new friends was another highlight of this wonderful experience! We hope you have an opportunity to enjoy a State or National CDA convention too! This year's attendees from Minnesota were (l to r): Carla Brady, Jeanette Richardson, Cathy Nelson, Vera Hannig, Kathy Schumann, Monica Capra, Jeaneen Nelson, Bonnie Hein, Shirley Seyfried, Mary Pufall, Gail Heim, Tina Lewis, Deb Lutmer, Nancy Bambenek, and Ellen Huneke.



2022 State Project Awards

The State Project supports our Seminarians and Women's Religious in Minnesota. A monetary gift was sent to the five Dioceses of MN: Crookston, Duluth, New Ulm, St. Cloud, Winona-Rochester and the Archdiocese of St. Paul/Minneapolis.

The recipients of the Women's Religious Grant are:

Court St. Bernard #866 Lismore for the St. Scholastica Benedictines in Duluth. Funds will be used to support the 55 and Under Benedictine Sisters program. This year they will start a three-year process of collaboration, visioning and future planning.

Court Owatonna #1180 Owatonna for the Poor Clare's in Rochester. Funds will be used to offset the cost of medications.

Court St. Joan of Arc #1291 Marshall for the Sisters of Mary Morningstar in Ghent, MN. Funds will be used to remodel the existing Hermitage for new novitiates as they discern their call to vowed religious life.

Court Sacred Heart #1424 Waseca for the Schoenstatt Sisters of Mary in Sleepy Eye. Funds will be used for walk-in freezer/cooler for their Retreat Center.

Court St. Cabrini #1466 Fergus Falls for the Sisters of St. Francis in Rochester. Funds will be used to provide beverages and snacks in their gathering space, "The Coffee Cup".

Court St. Anne #1840 Medford for the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet in St. Paul. Funds will be used to support the Sisters' St. Mary's Clinic in purchasing a laptop computer for the new Community Health Worker.

WORKSHOPS—All are welcome!

Please note the CHANGE:



MN Catholic Daughters of the Americas
SUMMER WORKSHOP 2022

**'A CENTURY OF
FAITH, HOPE & LOVE'**



*As we live our Faith, we Hope to strengthen our CDA
'sisterhood' and share Love with all we meet!*

For 100 years, Catholic women in Minnesota have been sharing faith, hope, and love with their families and communities as members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas! This year's Summer Workshops are designed to look at some of the ways we have succeeded in fulfilling our CDA Motto of 'Unity and Charity', and to share ways we can continue to strengthen Families, provide Leadership, promote positive Legislation, and grow Spiritually. All Catholic Daughters are invited!

2022 WORKSHOP DETAILS

* Mass times are listed for your convenience and are NOT part of the workshop.

Saturday, August 27 (Mass 5:15 p.m.)* Court Sacred Heart #1424	10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Lunch provided	Church of the Sacred Heart 111 4th St. NW, Waseca
Sunday, August 28 (Mass 8:30 a.m.)* Court Madonna #839	12 Noon-4:00 p.m. Lunch provided	Our Lady of Good Counsel 605 4th Ave., Wilmont
Saturday, September 17 (Mass 4:00 p.m.)* Court St. Margaret #1888	10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Lunch provided	Resurrection Catholic Church 301 Adams Ave., Eveleth
Sunday, September 18 (Mass 10:00 a.m.)* Court St. Rita #409	12:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Lunch provided	Church of St. Henry 234 2nd Ave SW, Perham

Please arrive 30 minutes prior to the workshop for registration!

Complete and send in registration form by **July 20**. Keep a copy for your records.

Send completed form with your Court check payable to **MN CDA** to:

Jeaneen Nelson, State Secretary
2917 Norwood Ave., Slayton, MN 56172

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Father Larry Delaney, State Chaplain



Fr. Larry Delaney,
Pastor

Greetings in the Lord,

The dog days of August are upon us. Growing up on a farm, August memories included: combining grain, lots of sweat, plowing fields, dad's birthday and with some luck a day of back-to-school shopping. On top of that, was celebrating the Feast of the Assumption of Mary. A good break from farm work but also a significant spiritual challenge.

We know that Mary was conceived without the stain of original sin (Immaculate Conception) and then also lived a life without sin as the Mother of our Lord. As Co-Redemptorist, she received the reward of being assumed directly into heaven, body and soul.

Mary, as with all saints, is an example to us of holiness in life. A temptation that we might have while thinking about them is, "I could never do that, I can't be that holy." So we might not even try to live such a holy life since we think it is a goal that is unattainable.

But it isn't unattainable! That is what I meant by saying the celebration of her of her assumption is a significant spiritual challenge. All of us, every one of us, can live the life of a saint. It all begins by doing the little things in life, following in the example of St. Therese of the Little Flower. Day by day, decision by decision, seeking to do the right, the holy thing.

Being a member of the Catholic Daughters of America is an aid for your quest for holiness. There are many "little ways" within the sisterhood that can guide your path to holiness. Here are examples of some ways that you can do this.

Works of Mercy: CDA has always been involved in the works of mercy. Local Courts have their various charities that they support; everything from feeding the hungry through food banks and homeless shelters, to praying for your deceased sisters, to assisting the poor abroad. The same happens at the state level including the ongoing support of Habitat for Humanity.

Support of Family: As Catholic women, you give example to others of how to support your family in faith. You support the beginning of family life through sponsorship of women's pregnancy centers (even more vital in Minnesota now that Roe v. Wade has been turned over). You are catechists in our religious education programs and/or help your parishes with their youth ministry. By gathering and conversing, you guide each other in how to be holier women, mothers, daughters and wives.

Evangelization: Again, a focus this year is for greater membership in CDA. By making the invite to others to join, you are imitating the call that every disciple has: bringing others to Christ. Continue to make those invites especially as we begin a new year.

May all of us, through the intercession of Mary, be enabled to have the courage to follow in her footsteps. We all can be saints, we all can display at least a bit of her holiness.

In Christ,

Fr. Larry Delaney



Family Circle of Love

Hello again all of my state Catholic Daughters sisters. It is my hope that this newsletter finds you all well and finding time to relax and enjoy the beautiful summer months in Minnesota.

Summer is a time when many families and friends get together to enjoy and catch up on what is happening in the lives of our loved ones. Family love, respect and comradery is what family relationships is all about. Therefore, enjoy to your fullest and God bless!

I thought about several issues that I could write about today, but the one that is foremost in my mind is the recent decision by the United States Supreme Court regarding abortion. Several of the court's annual circle of love reports this year focused on pro-life projects that their individual courts worked on. There is a tremendous amount of activity and prayer in our Minnesota CDA courts promoting and defending pro-life. This is wonderful!!!!

Although our good works and prayers resulted in a big win for our pro-life intentions, we must realize that we still have much work to do! As we are all acutely aware of the conflict that is ahead by the strong opposition of pro-abortion supporters, including our president and governor, we need to be ever vigilant. We must continue to support and defend our beliefs in every way that we are able. As Catholics, we should be totally against any form of abortion (the killing of innocent un-born infants) because of any personal convenience, method of birth control, or whatever excuse is given for such extreme and abhorrent behavior. (Abstainer: It is argued that there are some instances where abortion should be permitted such as in cases of rape or life-threatening jeopardy to a mother's life which are truly between the woman and God.)

As Catholic Daughter sisters our prayers and good works remain ahead for us. For those of us who are physically able to join the active pro-life movement and perform the duties that are needed, I strongly recommend that you do so. Get out there and support our cause; save those babies!! For those of us who are no longer able to physically perform those types of duties, I strongly recommend that you write to our governing officials and make known to them our beliefs but above all continue to PRAY!!!! Perhaps we can initiate prayer chains or novenas within our courts or even between and among courts that we can work with, such as sister courts. There are several prayerful projects that can be done and I challenge our Spiritual Enhancement chairs to initiate them.

Pray for Minnesota! I am personally embarrassed and appalled to think that our state is a "destination or sanctuary state" for abortions. Several big businesses/companies have actually announced that they will cover travel expenses for women seeking abortion from states who have out-lawed them. For many, our state is their destination! We must oppose these terrible circumstances however we can!! We have only begun to fight!!!

God bless each and every one!

Kathy Bastianelli, Minnesota State Family Chair

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News



Bishop Andrew Cousins invited Catholic Daughters from the Diocese of Crookston to participate in a Eucharistic Procession in Bemidji June 19th, the feast of Corpus Christi. The procession began our Eucharistic Revival which is part of the National Eucharistic Revival sponsored by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Left: Pictured left to right, front row are District Deputy Lisa Ouderkirk, Moorhead; State Treasurer Vera Hannig, Crookston; Renee Loehr, Moorhead and State Regent Mary Pufall. Second row, State Chaplain Father Larry Delaney, Fertile.

DEDICATION HELD FOR 2021 MINNESOTA CDA HABITAT BUILD!

State News

Congratulations! That's the greeting Minnesota State Regent Mary Pufall, National Director Darlene Moritz, National Director Nancy Bambenek, and Court St. Anne #1840, Medford members Betty Hager, Gail Heim, Lois Nelson, and Cathy Nelson were able to express to the new homeowners of the recently completed Habitat for Humanity Quad home in Northfield MN. What a



Jessica Britany Amber Nin & Terry
HABITAT FOR HUMANITY PARTNER FAMILIES

pleasure it was for us to attend the March 20, 2022 dedication of these homes and to celebrate with



Darlene Moritz presents National CDA Grant



Mary Pufall presents Minnesota CDA Grant

others who have been working toward this goal for nearly nine months! And what an accomplishment! Financial sponsorship for this build was sought by Court St. Anne #1840 Medford, MN from the Minnesota and National Catholic Daughters. A generous grant was approved by each. At the home dedication, State Regent Mary Pufall presented a \$10,000 check from the Minnesota Catholic Daughters and Darlene Moritz, National Director presented a \$10,000 check to Habitat for Humanity from National Catholic Daughters on behalf of National Habitat for Humanity Director, Dawn Fortenberry, who was unable to attend. In addition, the Minnesota State CDA Board presented each homeowner with a wall clock, and Court St. Anne members presented each family with a quilt and a Minnesota CDA Perpetual Calendar.



Brittany with quilt from Court St. Anne #1840



Jessica with clock from Minnesota CDA

Again, we say **Congratulations!** - this time to each and every one of you in Court St. Anne #1840, in other Minnesota courts, and all our CDA sisters around the country! Your prayers, hands-on help, delicious meals, financial support, and commitment all contributed to the success of this Faith Build!



Nancy Bambenek Darlene Moritz Lois Nelson Cathy Nelson Mary Pufall Gail Heim Betty Hager

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTER REPRESENTATIVES
AT THE NORTHFIELD MN HABITAT FOR HUMANITY HOME DEDICATION**

Fergus Falls Area Habitat for Humanity

2022 Site Blessing with CDA group at the lots on Lenore Way



Perpetual Calendars are \$8.00 and make lovely gifts!

Who We Are Books are \$2.00 - are great for new members and as a tool to share MN CDA.



To purchase these contact Mary, Monica, Cathy or Jeaneen if interested.

We will arrange for delivery— bring them along to our Summer Workshops or can mail them to you.

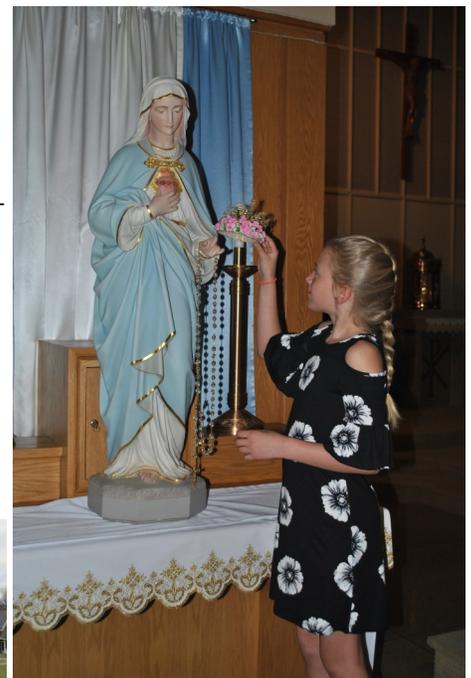


As May is the month of Mary, **Court St. Rita #409, Perham**, honored our Blessed Mother Mary, by carrying a crown of flowers to place on her image. The ceremony on Saturday, May 7, 2022, was held at St. Henry's Catholic Church. Processing into Church carrying the image of our Blessed Mother was Regent Dianne Rohde-Szarke. Carrying the crown for our Blessed Lady was Adaly Pachal, a first communicate from St. Henry's. Following Regent Dianne, were children from our area cluster, followed by the Clergy. Rosary was led by Catholic Daughter member and newly elected Court Treasurer, Rosie Altstadt. All those who participated in the celebration carried a red carnation to place before the Blessed Mother's image. All CDA Members attending the Mass wore sashes to let the parishioners see our dedication to court St. Rita, our church and our Blessed Mother. The Celebrant was Father Jose Kattakara, a missionary from Texas. Chairman for the event was newly elected Vice Regent Janel Altstadt, assisted by Pat Hager.

Pictured left: 1st Communicant Adaly Pachal, a 2nd grader at St. Henry's Area School, and newly elected Court Financial Secretary, of Court St. Rita, Pat Hager.

Court Queen of Peace # 1558 Slayton—Lisa Kremer, from Catholic Charities of Southwest Minnesota spoke to the 6th to 11th grade Faith Formation classes on the topic of Social Justice. The evening meal before the presentation was prepared and served by Catholic Daughter members Joyce Risacher, Bev Schreier, Doris Carda and Rita Lear. CDA youth chairperson is Marcie Cowan.

Pictured right: Court Queen of Peace observed Mary's month with a procession of the members into church and the placing of flowers in front of Mary. Crowning Mary was Jada Jackels, daughter of Lon and Jody Jackels.



Court St. Joan of Arc # 1291 Marshall

On May 4, 2022 the Holy Redeemer School planned the May Crowning with an outdoor Rosary surrounding the outside Mary statue.

The CDA volunteers led the Mystery of the Rosary and each student said the Hail Mary's. This was a beautiful event, very spiritual music sung by a gifted Mom of one of the students and Fr. Tony giving his presentation to all that attended. CDA Volunteers were Jackie Doom, Margaret Roberts, Yvonne Girard, Mary Pat Middleton and Paula Curry. Pictured is the wonderful students from Holy Redeemer School, 3rd Grade Class and their dedicated teachers.



Court Joan of Arc #691 of Blue Earth held a bake sale on the weekend of Saturday May 21 through Sunday May 22. All \$701.00 from the sale was donated to Southern Minnesota Women of Worth.

Pictured left to right; Ruth Kastner-Regent, Lee Mikolai-Treasurer, and Shirl Maher-Trustee of the Daughters.



Left: **Court Winona #191, Winona** - This photo is from the BIRTHRIGHT SHOWER in May 2022, gathering up donations for the mothers in need in the Winona area.

Court St. Rita #409 of Perham donates to Bridge Pantry. Regent Dianne Rohde-Szarke, members of Court St. Rita and Chaplain Deacon Richard Quistorff recently presented John Leikness, executive director of the Bridge Pantry, a check for \$400.00. The money was raised by the members of the court to help support the Bridge Pantry's dedication to the health and well-being of the community.



HOLY HOUR OF THE DIVINE MERCY

Court St. Rita # 409, Perham, sponsored Divine Mercy Holy Hour from 2 to 4 pm on Sunday, April 24th, 2022, at St. Henry's Catholic Church. Deacon Richard Quistorff, Court Chaplin, opened the Holy Hour of Divine Mercy, with the Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Renee Doll read the Meditation Psalm entrusting our prayers to Divine Mercy. The Chaplet was sung by Dr. Jeff Blickenstaff and Carla Bell, accompanied by Isaiah Blickenstaff on the piano. Benediction conducted by Deacon Richard concluded the Divine Mercy Holy Hour. Father Tom Skaja, Parochial Vicar at St. Henry's, was available to hear the long line of confessions. Special indulgences are granted to all who go to confession, receive Holy Communion and attend Mass honoring the Divine Mercy of Jesus. The message received by Saint Faustian was to reiterate the death of Jesus on the Cross, that his passion and death was to be Mercy from the Father to the world. Approximately 100 people were in attendance at the Holy Hour, which was chaired by Court St. Rita member Mary Kerekes. Assisting Mary on her committee was Catholic Daughter members, Rosie Altstadt, Lorie Curtis, Diane Lorentz and Gina Cavanagh.

Sunday, April 24th, 2022, **Court St. Rita #409**, sponsored the devotion to Divine Mercy Sunday at St. Henry's Church. Deacon Richard Quistorff lead the congregation in this service. The afternoon consisted of adoration, scriptural reading by the Catholic Daughters and confessions by Father Tom Skaja. At 3 PM, the Divine Mercy Chaplet was sung by Dr. Jeff Blickenstaff and Karla Bell. Special Blessings are received by those attending Divine Mercy Sunday who are in a state of grace. **JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU.**

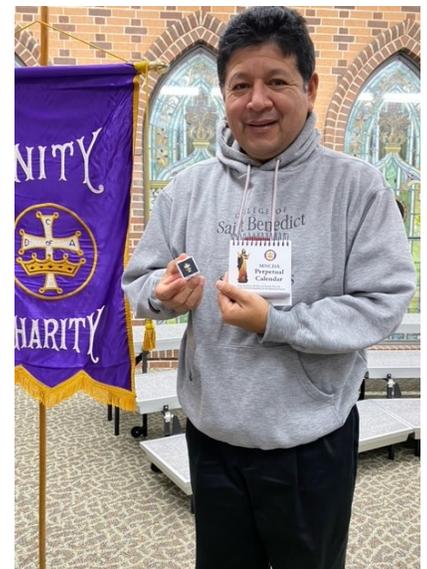
Pictured right: Mary Kerekes, chairman, Divine Mercy Sunday



Court St. Cabrini #1466 in Fergus Falls had a fun and faithful spring despite the uncooperative weather. We were happy to see our friend Fr. Lucho Palomino, National Chaplain for the Catholic Daughters in Peru. He celebrated his 25th anniversary as a priest while visiting our parish. The court hosted a Resurrection Reception following the Easter Vigil Mass for the members of the 3 parishes in our Area Catholic Community. In May, members met at St. Otto's Cemetery before Memorial Day to hold a prayer service for our departed sisters in CDA. Flowers were placed on everyone's grave and we also honored 2 departed priests as well, both of whom were veterans. Our May meeting was a great chance to honor the teachers in our court. In June, we installed our new officers and celebrated with a delicious potluck.



Left: Denise Hendricks placing a flower on the grave of Charter Member, Margaret Gamber for Memorial Day.



Right: Fr. Lucho received his Catholic Daughter Chaplain pin.

Kuddos for the Donation Drives!



Every spring **Court St. Mary #509, Moorhead** donates items for the Dorothy Day House, a men's homeless shelter . This year our members donated about two car loads of supplies (one in March and one in April).

Left: Donations included food, personal care items, towels, blankets, socks, t-shirts, and more (shown in attached picture).



Above: **Court Winona #191** gathers donations for the Catholic Worker house in Winona at the February 2022 meeting.

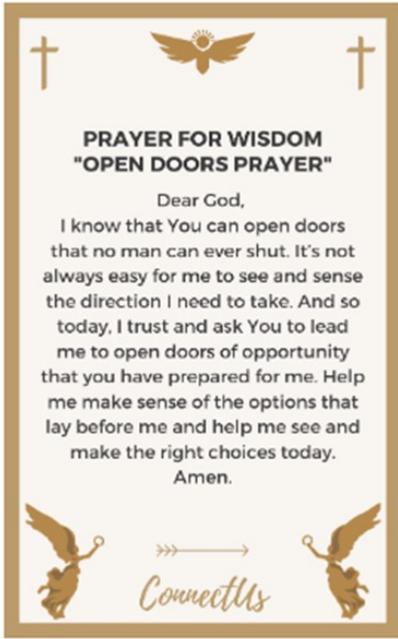


Court St. Joan of Arc # 1291 Marshall MN

On April 25, 2022 our Court worked at the Marshall Pizza Ranch for a fundraiser to help support the New Horizon Crisis Center that is located in Marshall and serve the surrounding counties. This Center goes to schools to give presentations to students to have them aware that help is available with domestic abuse, support with any drug addictions, and are available for assistance for families. Members from the Crisis Center were there to answer any questions. We had CDA volunteers that worked 3 hours to a full house attendance that enjoyed great pizzas! This was an awesome fundraiser of \$465.00 for the Center!



Above: Mary Carstensen, Yvonne Girard, Gin Windey, Terry Hennen, Chris and Roberts (Crisis Center) Joyce Persoon, Louise VanLeeuwe, Diane Doom Front Row: Mary Jane Striegel and 2 fun Pizza Ranch Staff



Dear CDA Sisters,

Congratulations and Thanks to all of the recently elected CDA officers throughout Minnesota! Your willingness to serve as a leader in your court is to be applauded – and the confidence placed in you by your court members is well deserved!

There are always opportunities arising for others to share their talents as well – a few courts are experiencing open officer positions while some District Deputy, State Chair, and State Board positions will be opening up in April 2023. Please consider accepting a CDA leadership position when it becomes available. Your talents are invaluable to our organization! If you need some inspiration as you reflect on your options, pray this “Open Doors Prayer” for the wisdom to recognize God’s will for you in a CDA leadership role!

God’s blessings to you all!

Cathy Nelson, 2nd Vice State Regent

**MIRROR MIRROR ON THE WALL,
THERE’S A LEADER IN US ALL!**

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Courts, **Santa Maria #247-Adrian, St. Bernard #886-Lismore, and Madonna #839-Wilmont**, held a joint installation of officers on June 16th at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Lismore, MN. The new officers will provide leadership for 2022-2024. State Regent Mary Pufall of Moorhead and State Secretary Jeaneen Nelson of Slayton represented the Minnesota State Board. Fr. Richard Colletti celebrated Mass, installed the officers, and bestowed a blessing upon them. District Deputy Lisa Diekmann and Regent Deb Lutmer of Lismore coordinated the ceremony. Fellowship followed in the lower hall and was hosted by Court St. Bernard #886.

Congratulations to all officers and best wishes for success in the next two years!

Court St Mary Peter and Court Plainview On Monday, June 27th, Court St. Mary Peter, Mazeppa-Bellechester, hosted installation of officers for their court and Court Plainview. We were delighted to have Monica Capra, First State Vice Regent and member of Court St. Mary Peter and Cathy Nelson, 2nd State Vice Regent, present with us that night.

Right: Newly installed officers. Front row: Anne Varner, Color Guard, Carol Boyle, Jessica Andring, Barb Haley (proxy for Kris Miller), Debbie Blattner, Jean Klavetter, Linda Kazmierczak, Jeanette Richardson, Donna Bautch, Color Guard Ann Buck. Back Row: Cathy Nelson, District Deputy Monica Thompson, Patrice O'Reilly, Pam Befort and Monica Capra.





Left: **Court St Margaret Mary #605 Intl Falls** installed three new members this year pictured with our past regent Julie Hindman is Mary Wilson and Joeleen Kennedy. Missing is Betty Nemeec. We are very blessed to have them join us.

Below: **Court St. Cabrini #1466 in Fergus Falls** In June, Deacon Dean Pawlowski installed their new officers with the assistance of District Deputy Lisa Ouder Kirk and celebrated with a delicious potluck.



Court St. Cecilia #2025, Red Lake Falls held their installation of officers on Wednesday, June 1, 2022, after the 6:30 pm mass at St. Joseph Church in Red Lake Falls. District Deputy Alana Kuznia conducted the installation. Picture – Front row (L to R): Special

guests, Vera Hannig, State Treasurer; Alana Kuznia, District Deputy; and Mary Pufall, State Regent. Top row (L to R): Gen Knott, Treasurer; Shirley Johnson, Recording Secretary; Bev Pillion, Regent; Melanie La-Crosse, Vice Regent; and Janet Hagl, Financial Secretary. Court members and special guests were invited to a reception following the installation. Court St. Cecilia #2025 has been busy with projects throughout the summer. Besides the installation, court members delivered meals for two weeks in June for our Community Meal Site Meals-on-Wheels Program. In July a breakfast was prepared and served for the community during Summerfest. Our court purchased the program and materials for Vacation Bible School held in August. We also prepared and served a meal for all those attending.



Court Sacred Heart #1424, Waseca, hosted the Installation of Officers/Reception of New Members Mass and Luncheon on June 18 at Sacred Heart Parish, Waseca. This included officers and members from Court St. Anne (Medford), Court Owatonna (Owatonna), and Court Sacred Heart (Waseca). Music was provided by Anne Clayton and Jeannie Feldkamp.

Committee Co-chairs Shirley Skorczewski, Judy Pipke, and Lori Mickelson organized a luncheon of ham and turkey sandwiches, fruit salad, potato salad, and cold beverages which went well on this hot Saturday in June. Members from all 3 courts and their officers attended this luncheon, along with 2nd Vice State Regent Cathy Nelson and our District Deputy Betty Hager.



Left: Pictured with ceremonial carnations are Vice Regent Lori Mickelson, Financial Secretary Patty Masberg, and Regent Pat Foley, from Court Sacred Heart.



Above: Members from Ct Sacred Heart with Court Chaplain Fr. The Hoang.



Court St. Rita # 409, Perham, held Installation of Officers June 7th in St. Henry's Church hall. The presiding officials from Perham were the ritual coordinator, Sherryl Holzer, Court Chaplain Deacon Richard Quistorff and from Detroit Lakes, District Deputy Linda Schons. The newly elected officers installed at the 7:00 PM ceremony for the 2022-2024 term were: Regent: Leanne Stoll, Vice Regent: Janel Altstadt, Recording Secretary Jackie Hager, Treasurer Rosie Altstadt, Financial Secretary Pat Hager. The evening began with a social gathering, followed by a potluck meal. After the supper, the Rosary was lead by Rosie Altstadt for special intentions. Then the monthly June meeting was lead by the newly elected Regent.

Above: Pictured left to right Linda Schons, District Deputy, Rosie Altstadt, Treasurer, Pat Hager, Financial Secretary, Jackie Hager, Recording Secretary, Janel Altstadt, Vice Regent, Leanne Stoll, Regent.



Court St. Margaret Mary # 605, International Falls—On Thursday, February 24, 2022, our Court presented Educational Awards to the students at St. Thomas School after the 8:30 AM Mass. The themes were “With God All Things are Possible” Mt 19:26 and ‘Where is God in my life when I am struggling.’ There were a total thirteen entries in the categories of Art, Poetry, Essay and Photography. Presenting the awards in the back row left to right are CDA Educational Chair Marnie Kostiuk, Regent Julie Hindman, CDA Secretary Sandy Sakry, Principal Fr. Thomas Galarneult. Certificates, monetary gifts, Holy Cards and candy was presented to the first, second and third place winners. Honorable mention and Holy Cards and candy were given to the students who participated in the Catholic Daughter’s Educational Contest. Younger students not eligible to participate in the Educational Contest commented that they would like to take part in the contest. Maybe next year our court can arrange for younger students to have their own Educational Contest.

Education Contest Winners!

Court St. Rita #409, Perham honored the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in their annual education contest.

Chaired by Leanne Stoll and Lisa Hemmelgarn, the themes of the contest were: “With God All Things Are Possible” and “Where is God in my life when I am struggling”. The entries were the competitor’s original ideas based off these themes. Court St. Rita awarded winners a monetary stipend for their entries. Winners are awarded at the local level for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. 1st place original entries are submitted to the state competition with a chance to proceed to national judging.



Picture: First row left to right, regent Dianne Rohde-Szarke, Natalie Boyne, Harper Schmitz, Grace Stoderl, Damian LaFond. Back Row: Nora Murdock, Kaiya Novotny, Alexis Poser, Cassidy Nelson, Ryken Shannon, Tristan Burkman, Isabelle Schultz, Monica Bell.

Court St. Margaret #1888, Eveleth

This spring, April, 2022 marks our 60th year of organization. Many of us have celebrated sisters, mothers, and aunts who have come before us in this very court. They would be happy that we have chosen the same path and have supported our church in any way we can. We celebrated with a dinner meeting at a local restaurant. At this time we congratulate our new slate of officer. We are anxious to get together during the summer with the State Officers at the Summer Workshop. It will be hosted in Eveleth on September 17, 2022.

We will be working together with the members of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Gilbert as we celebrate our Parish Festival. It will take place August 21, 2022. We are working with other organizations and parishioners on this festival to help unite families for an afternoon of fun.

Court St. Rita #409, Perham, Minnesota sponsored the Celebration of Life Mass at St. Henry's Catholic Church on Thursday, February 24, 2022 with Father Tom Skaja As celebrant.

Our Celebration of Life representatives processed in to church to participate in the Celebration of Life Mass.

Mickey Rohde, Narrator, (son of Regent Dianne) read the bio on each recipient. Because the red rose is a symbol of those who believe a life is our most basic right, red roses will be presented to today's recipients.

In recognition of the Sanctity of life before birth, a rose was presented to Mac and Kelli Stoll by McCoy Nagel, son of Matt and Dani Nagel . The Stoll's expect Baby # 3 in July. Mac owns his own construction company and Kelli is a Phy Ed teacher at the Elementary School in Perham.

In recognition of life as an infant, a rose was presented to Levi Thomas Hendricks and his mother, Lisa. Presenting this rose was Aevyn Sallo, daughter of Jill Sallo. Lisa is the St. Henry's Religious Ed coordinator. Andy, Lisa's husband, is an Agronomist and farmer.

Grace Stoderl, daughter of Bill & Mallory Stoderl, extended a rose to Alexis Poser , a sixth grader at St. Henry's school, who is representing our youth. Alexis is the daughter of Aaron and Rachel Poser. We recognize the many difficult choices a youth will need to make in their lives. They need our support from childhood to adulthood.

Representing our young adults, is Molly Pearson, daughter of Dean and Barb Pearson. As our teenagers grow and move on to High School, they broaden their horizons and experience changes. Molly is a Junior at Perham High School. After graduation she plans to pursue a degree in Music and Nursing at the University of Mary in Bismarck, North Dakota. Eli Lindberg, son of Maria Lindberg, presented a rose to his cousin, Molly.

A rose was presented to Jaxson Rohde, who represents our special challenges in life. Jaxson is the son of Mickey and Susan Rohde and the Grandson of Regent Dianne Rohde-Szarke. Jaxson, who is 18 years old, was born with a rare genetic disorder called Williams Syndrome. Jaxson has had several surgeries at the Mayo Clinic which left him with 41 inches of rods and 31 screws in his back. Jaxson is one of the managers of the Perham Basketball team and an avid member of Special Olympics. He even became a State Champ. His rose was presented to him by Jacob Scaper, son of Josh and Rebecca Scaper.

Dot Hofland represented the senior members of our community. Wyatt Guck, son of Jeremy and Kimberly Guck, extended her the red rose. Dot is a widow and a retired homemaker. She is the mother of 4 daughters, an active member of St. Henry's Catholic Church, a Rosary leader at Mass and active in Meals on Wheels for many years. We look to those who are older for wisdom and guidance. We need help in making decisions and appreciate the help our Senior Citizens give us. We appreciate their heritage.

The final rose was presented by Kayia Novotny, daughter of Dan & Amanda Novotny, under the sponsorship of the Catholic Daughters, Court St. Rita. The rose will be placed before the Holy Family as a reminder of our belief and commitment to the Right to Life of all people.

We are to accept life as God's gift in all stages of life and at every turn. God is there to guide us, our precious life is made in His image and likeness. We gathered today to celebrate life and to thank God, our creator, and our parents for the special gift of life.



COURT ST. JOAN OF ARC #1291
CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS
Marshall, Minnesota 56258

May 16, 2022

Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Mary Pufall, State Regent
628 32nd St N
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To Whom It May Concern,

The Catholic Daughters Court St.Joan of Arc 1291 of Marshall awarded 2 scholarships this year in the amount of \$500.00 each for the year 2022. They were awarded to Lauren Zick of Milroy and Brenna Springborg of Marshall. We had excellent applications to choose from, each worthy of a scholarship.

Thank you.

Sincerely,


Lois Novosad, Chairperson
CDA Scholarship Committee



Brenna Springborg

Lauren Zick



Court St. Joan of Arc # 1291 Marshall

This CDA Court created a special Memorial Flag Project this year. The Flag committee met with the Holy Redeemer Cemetery Board for approval to have Memorial Flags at each grave site for the Catholic Daughters that have deceased within our Court. This involved over 200 grave sites, a design was created and approved by the CDA Court, then ordered 500 quality flags that would withstand the south west winds! We had an overwhelming success with donations to cover the cost! Volunteers went out to distribute the CDA Flags on each grave site at our local cemeteries before Memorial Day, then gathered them after the holiday so we are able to use these for many years to come.

May God Bless all our Memories of them.

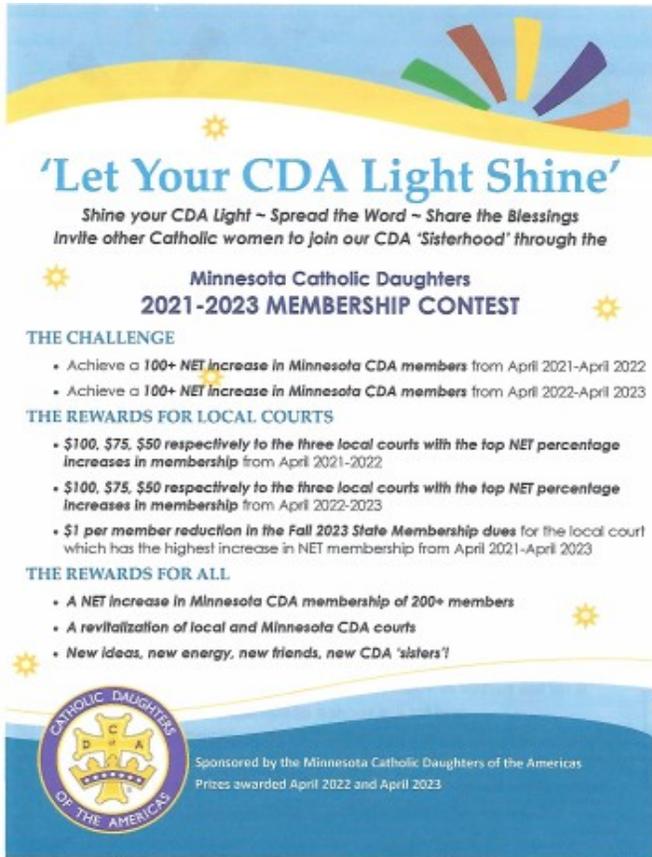
Pictured right:

Sharon Kinker, Margaret Roberts, Pam Pavot, Paula Curry, Diane Doom, Mary Carstensen, and Jackie Doom

Not pictured: Ann John and Kathy Eveslage



Membership



'Let Your CDA Light Shine'
 Shine your CDA Light ~ Spread the Word ~ Share the Blessings
 Invite other Catholic women to join our CDA 'Sisterhood' through the

**Minnesota Catholic Daughters
 2021-2023 MEMBERSHIP CONTEST**

THE CHALLENGE

- Achieve a 100+ NET increase in Minnesota CDA members from April 2021-April 2022
- Achieve a 100+ NET increase in Minnesota CDA members from April 2022-April 2023

THE REWARDS FOR LOCAL COURTS

- \$100, \$75, \$50 respectively to the three local courts with the top NET percentage increases in membership from April 2021-2022
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- \$1 per member reduction in the Fall 2023 State Membership dues for the local court which has the highest increase in NET membership from April 2021-April 2023

THE REWARDS FOR ALL

- A NET increase in Minnesota CDA membership of 200+ members
- A revitalization of local and Minnesota CDA courts
- New ideas, new energy, new friends, new CDA 'sisters'!

Catholic Daughters of the Americas
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 Prizes awarded April 2022 and April 2023



YOU CAN . . .

'Let Your CDA Light Shine'

By Being ...		By Hosting ...
Prayerful	☀	Membership Drives
Faithful	☀	Socials and Fun Nights
Knowledgeable	☀	Spiritual Events
Enthusiastic	☀	Anything that spreads the Light of Christ to others
Welcoming	☀	

MEMBERSHIP PRAYER

Heavenly Father, as we venture into growing our membership, we come before You asking for Your guidance, wisdom and support. Fill us with Your grace, Lord God, as we make contact with others. Remind us that all that we do, all that we accomplish is for the pursuit of truth for the greater glory of your kingdom, and for the service of humanity. Guide our hearts, our words, our actions, to be a shining light for all to see. May the face of Christ shine through. We ask Your Mother, our patroness, by her powerful intercession, to be with us as we witness to others. We ask all these things in Your most Holy name. Amen.

JCDA

Membership in Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas is possible for Catholic girls ages 6 to 18. They can join JCDA in an area where an adult CDA Court is established.

The 'Juniors' were founded in 1926. Their goal is to help girls enrich their lives through service to others in their church, community, and the world.

The JCDA motto is "Be Useful" with the mandate to "love God, serve others, and live nobly."

Their basic goals are:

- ◆ Develop character as a Catholic
- ◆ Learn to work for the good of others
- ◆ Grow spiritually in their Catholic faith
- ◆ Be creative and flexible



Thanks to our four JCDA courts—they are our **FUTURE!**

Let's promote and establish more JCDA courts in Minnesota!

Upcoming Court Anniversaries

JCDA Ct St Kateri Tekakwitha, St. Charles—10 Years—10/16/2012

Court Winona #191, Winona—110 Years—2/2/1913



Court Winona #191 celebrates 109 years as a Court!
 Above: Terri Kersting, Treasurer; Pat Kriesel, member

Oberammergau Pilgrimage

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We still have a few open spots on the pilgrimage to the shrines of Germany and the Oberammergau Passion Play, September 9-17th sponsored by the Catholic Daughters of Minnesota. If you have found that you can possibly join us, we would love to have you. For further information, please contact: Shirley Seyfried at 218-862-3493 (home) or 218-205-6454 (cell), email: shirley.seyfried@gmail.com and I will send you the brochure and application form and will answer any questions you may have.

Peace and God bless,

Shirley

Oberammergau Passion Play & Shrines of Germany
9 Days, September 9-17, 2022 From Minneapolis (MSP)
PRICE \$5,150 ALL INCLUSIVE (EXCEPT LUNCHES) **Early Bird \$4,950**

Thanks ☆



Thanks ☆

THANK YOU CDA MEMBERS

Wow, what a surprise to open my mailbox in May and have so many "birthday cards" from some of you CDA members. I was wondering how you knew. Mystery solved -- I called my Regent Brandy Pelzel of Court St. Mary, Moorhead, and she said that when she was listing the birthdays in the court May's newsletter she discovered that I would be celebrating my 90th birthday and so she contacted State Regent Mary Pufall and they decided to surprise me with a "90th Birthday Card Shower." Thanks Brandy and Mary -- you did surprise me.

As a special "thank you" I am having a year of Masses said at the National Shrine of our Lady of Snows in Belleville, Illinois by the Missionary Oblates for all Catholic Daughter members. (This is a place where the National CDA held officers workshops and I attended some of them.)

Over the past years serving as a MN CDA State Officer and your Editor of the MN-CDA "Go-pher Newsletter" I want to say "THANK YOU" -- you made May 1, 2022 a memorable day for me.

God Bless You All. Rosemary Walz

Note from National: Thanks to your support to our disaster fund, the Catholic Daughters of the Americas has sent a check for \$10,000.00 to help with the devastation in Ukraine. This check was sent through Catholic Extension, one of our charities. Sending the check through Catholic Extension ensures that the money will be used where it is most needed. Any Local courts considering sending a monetary gift to Ukraine, please send your court check to:

Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Attention: Martha
10 West 71st Street
New York, NY 10023

The check must be made to: Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Please include Ukraine in the memo line of the check.
Personal checks will gladly be accepted, also.

Thank you for following our motto "Unity and Charity" and helping those who are suffering!



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- Deadlines to submit articles:
July 10—Nov 10—Feb 10
- Include your name, court, phone and/or email so we can contact you if we need more information.

Welcome New Members!!

Ct. Holy Rosary #1916, Detroit Lakes

Tracy Bohner, Tami Heimark

Ct. Madonna #839, Wilmont

Stacy Behrends

Ct. St. Charles #1791, St. Charles

Tara Miller

Ct. Joan of Arc #691, Blue Earth

Cheryl Kolve

Ct. Winona #191, Winona

Irene Serafin, Geraldine Russell

Ct. Caledonia #555, Caledonia

Lolly Smith, Janet Frank

Ct. Sacred Heart #1424, Waseca

Amy Reger, Connie Ockwig

Ct. St. Mary #509, Moorhead

Cheryl Edwards, Karen Oberg

Blessed Be Their Memory

Ct. St Justin #2020, Mahnomen

Rosella Spaeth

Ct. Winona #191, Winona

Lucretia LaFavor

Ct. St James #1820, St. James

Leona Jacoby

Ct. St. Mary #509, Moorhead

Patty Neuharth, Leonore Murray

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Ct. St. Rita #409, Perham

Joan Schmitz

Ct. Holy Rosary #1916, Detroit Lakes

Mary Schanathorst

Ct. Joan of Arc #1291, Marshall

Carolyn Boerboom, Kate Lavoy

Eternal
rest grant
unto her
Oh Lord,



...and may
perpetual light
shine upon
them.