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(St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church)
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COVID-19 PRAYER

Although many states are now in the green phase from the stay-at-home orders from when the Covid-19 Pandemic first hit the world back in March, please continue to pray for relief from this affliction. We are looking forward to the days when this will be a sad memory that we have lived through.

Say this prayer from Pope Francis:

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of good health and peace that we have enjoyed for so many years. As we find ourselves in this time of crisis today, we ask for your divine intervention and mercy to be upon each of us.

Come and guide the minds of those working to discover a treatment to the COVID-19 virus. Grant them wisdom, knowledge, and clarity of mind, so that all peoples will be free from the threat of this ailment.

We also pray for the healthcare workers that are standing in the front line of this battle. Father, we thank you for their hearts of service, putting the needs of society before their own, generously responding to the cry of Your people. We ask that You will grant them strength and protection. As they give of themselves in selfless service, may You fill them with your Holy Spirit as they work to be Your healing hands and feet!

Father, we also surrender to You all those who have been afflicted with the virus. Grant them Your healing grace, merciful Father, so that they may recover swiftly and continue to be witnesses of Your love in their lives.

Mother Mary, we ask for your intercession in this great time of need. Cover each of us with your blue mantle of protection, so that we may be preserved in good health to continue to glorify your son, Jesus Christ. We make this prayer through Christ, our Savior and Redeemer. Amen

****Due to Covid-19 Restrictions****

**CDA meetings: 1st Thursday every month: 7:00p.m. meeting
St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church 134 E. Bishop Street, Bellefonte, PA
CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS—www.catholicdaughters.org**



New Members and Updated Addresses for your Directory:



Please note the following information in your CDA Directory. We would like to welcome the newest members of Court Rev. Patrick McArdle #448. We look forward to your participation with the many works of Unity and Charity that the organization strives to provide.

Liz Forstmeier
Nancy Stetler

Mae Galio
Sharon Weisser

Pam Livolsi

Sara Ray

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“May the Soul of the faithfully departed rest in Peace”

Please remember Florence Stringer who passed away on May 12, 2020.

Florence joined Catholic Daughters in October 1977. A \$50 memorial gift was given to St. John’s Catholic Church in her memory.

Come Celebrate our 100th Anniversary



Since our 100th Anniversary Celebration scheduled for April 4, 2020 was cancelled due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, Father George will be celebrating with a Mass on Saturday, August 15, 2020 at 10am.

Please come and join your Catholic Daughter sisters to commemorate our Court #448 Rev. Patrick McArdle’s 100th year if you are able to attend.

The 2020 Lifetime Achievement Award will be presented at the Mass.

When it is safe for us to gather for a special banquet, we will truly honor this momentous occasion in our Court’s history properly.

Membership Dues:



All members are required to pay annual dues of \$20.00. The dues for the period of 1/1/2020 to 1/1/2021 are now being collected.

Only those who are lifetime members (50 years or mor) or who permanently reside in a nursing home do not have to pay dues.

Pam Callahan, Recording Financial Secretary, will be sending notices to those members who have yet to pay their dues for this year since we have not had a meeting since March.

CDA Meeting September 3, 2020
Important Notice

Please note that our September meeting will be held in the church and not the auditorium because of the restrictions of the Covid-19 pandemic from the school.

There will be no social before the meeting and it has been decided that until further notice there will be no social with food at the monthly meetings for the foreseeable future.

When we know it would be safe to resume our socials we will let everyone know.



Membership Committee:

Janet Oesterling has reported that our Court now has more members than any other court in Pennsylvania.



On the last quarterly membership report from National we now have 115 current members.

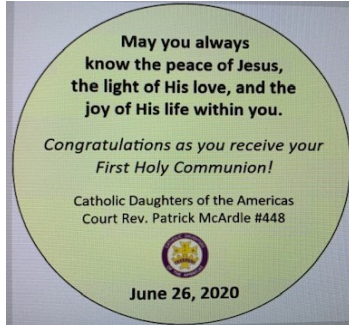
We are truly blessed to have so many wonderful ladies in Catholic Daughters working in Unity and Charity for our organization, our church and our community. Keep up the good work everyone!

Youth & Education:

Outstanding Student Awards given by the Catholic Daughters #448

Samantha Areans-Ennis / Bald Eagle Area HS
Sarah Tobin / Bellefonte Area HS
Hannah Montminy / Penns Valley HS
St. John The Evangelist 5th Grade Class
St. Joseph's Catholic Academy / Due to a change in the contact and late response, non will be given this year at the decision of the school POC.

First Holy Communion gifts of a Mass Book, Holy Communion Pin, Rosary and Scapular was given to each child. In each Mass Book a CDA label from our Court will remind the children that we will be praying for them.



Court #448 Newsletter

As Editor of our Court Newsletter, I would like to invite all members to feel free to send me any ideas you may have to put into our Newsletter.

If there is anything that you think we have been missing that should be a regular "Feature" let me know so that we can include it in upcoming editions of the Newsletter.

I would welcome any advice or suggestions that you can give to me to improve our newsletter.



Submitted by: Karen Pipta

Classroom / CDA 101 –

By Barbara Materna: Court #448 – Committees

Are you thinking about your role in our Court? If so, please consider the myriad of committees that we have available and say a prayer to help you decide what is best for you.

The *Circle of Love* includes:

Quality of Life - we reach out with compassion and support, to be helping hands where there is pain, poverty, sorrow and sickness. We visit members who are homebound or in Nursing Homes. Other examples: Baby Shower Bingo, Gabriel Project, March for Life, etc...

Spiritual Enhancement - we help our members to nourish and develop their relationships with God. Examples: liturgical opportunities (wake services & rosaries for deceased members), charitable ministries (food baskets for Needy families) as well as hosting retreats and selling prayer books.

Legislation – keeping members informed about public issues, addressing the morals and human dimension, while supporting church teaching on human life, human rights, justice and peace.

Leadership - step forward to become an officer in our local court. Come forward to be a leader and share your vision and empower others to share that vision.

Youth & Education – each of us should sponsor, participate in, and/or support at least one youth activity, such as parish youth groups. This includes programs or activities that assist members to learn about CDA, such as this article. We also participate in charitable projects and charities. Other examples: Vacation Bible School, sponsor Education contests & scholarships, Jared Box Project, etc...

Family – we strengthen family relations by interacting with one another in service and work of our family community. Example: prayer groups, etc... (Proverbs 22:6)

Additional court committees to consider are: Ceremonial, Color guard, Banner bearers, Membership, Publicity, Historian, Sunshine, Telephone, Finance/Budget review, Funeral Meals and Newsletter.

For additional information, please check out your copy of our Court directory to see the current list of committee members. Please consider contacting other members who can answer questions you may have about a particular committee. Or, go online to www.catholicdaughters.org.



Spiritual Wilderness Experience Mini Retreat



On March 7, 2020, CDA members were able to experience a moving retreat that had us traveling to three destinations. First we made clay pots to collect our worries. We went to the school hallway and chose one of the stations to sit and reflect on the journey to the cross. We went into the church to spend quiet and quality time with our Spiritual Lord after choosing an engraved necklace with words of encouragement. Finally, using prayer cards we made ourselves notes to remind us to take time for prayer. It was a wonderful and moving three hours. Thank you to our Spiritual Enhancement Committee for organizing such an amazing event.

Installation of New Members

Court Rev. Patrick McArdle #448 welcomed eight of our new members who were able to attend the Installation Mass on Sunday, March 8, 2020 at 10:15am.



From left to right: Sharon Weisser; Nancy Stetler; Sara Ray; Pam Livolsi; Mae Galio; Julia Gardner; Kathy Murray; Barbara Materna; and Janet Oesterling, Ceremonial Coordinator

Court Officers for 2020-2022

- Lucia Stover / Regent
- Karen Pipta / Vice Regent
- Mindy Terpak / Recording Secretary
- Pam Callahan / Recording Financial Secretary
- Barbara Materna / Treasurer

As of this newsletter Barbara Materna has resigned as our Court Treasurer. At our September meeting a vote will be taken for her replacement. We will have nominations from the floor and then vote if there is more than one nominee.

Newly Elected National Officers

- Sherry Nilles / National Regent
- Emily Guilherme / National Regent Elect
- Susan Mone / First Vice National Regent
- Essie Walker / Second Vice National Regent
- Connie Dronette / National Secretary-Treasurer

Congratulations to our new National Officers, may God bless them as they take on leadership of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas.

Priest Appreciation

Even though a Mass was not celebrated for CDA Priest Appreciation, cards and a monetary gift were given to both Father George and Deacon Tom to let them know how much our Catholic Daughter Court appreciates everything that they do for us.

Mission Statement

“Catholic Daughters of the Americas strive 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”