



*CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS*  
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**\*\*\*HAPPENING SOON IN OUR COURT\*\*\***  
**WE PRAY TO BE RESUMING SOON!**

Even though we are all in our homes and not in our Church during this very trying time, it is hard to believe that Palm Sunday is this Sunday.

Our 2020 Lenten journey is almost finished.

As we head into Holy Week and Easter Sunday, we need to reflect on the things that are really most important in our lives:

Health, Family, Friends, Love, Caring, Faith  
and most of all **Jesus**.

Let's Keep Him present in our lives, especially for the next 2 weeks as we finish out our Lenten journey.





**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

*Pope Francis, Clergy everywhere but most, especially for our Parish Priests, Clergy and Staff, Our Military, the many people suffering with the pains of loneliness, isolation and being ignored.*

*The innocent born and unborn children.*

*Also, let us all pray for all who have been affected by the Covid-19 Virus, for the healthcare workers and the first responders who are constantly putting themselves at risk to protect others.*

*\*\*Many prayers are needed for District Deputy, Louise Ferrara and her sister Joanne, who are hospitalized and being treated for the Coronavirus. Louise's brother in law is also hospitalized in ICU.\*\**

*Also, please keep member, Mary Hackett in your prayers as she recovers from a broken shoulder.*



You made the whole world stop spinning for a while.  
You silenced the noise that we all have created.  
You made us bend our knees again and ask for a miracle.  
You closed Your churches so we will realize how dark our world is without You in it.

You humble the proud and powerful.  
The economy is crashing, businesses are closing.  
We were very proud, we thought that everything we have, everything we possess was the result of our hardwork. We have forgotten that it was always Your grace and mercy that made us who we are.

We're like running in circles looking for some cure to this disease but in fact it takes humility to ask for Your wisdom.

We've been living our lives like we will be here on earth forever, like there's no heaven. Maybe these trials are Your mercy in disguise. Maybe this virus is actually Your way of purifying us, cleansing our soul, bringing us back to YOU. In the past you serenaded us with Hosea's song: "Come back to me with all your heart  
Don't let fear keep us apart Trees do bend though straight and tall So must we to others' call ...Long have I waited for Your coming home to me And living deeply our new lives"  
You have been patiently waiting for us. We're so sorry for ignoring Your voice. For our selfish ways. We all deserve this. We have forgotten You dear Father.

.. We've forgotten that You're God, You only need to say the words and our souls shall be healed. (AUTHOR UNKNOWN)

**The Corona Virus Novena**

Father in Heaven, have mercy on us and on the whole world. We come to you today with our fears and concerns -- You know what's in our hearts. We love You, trust You, we need You. We ask You to be with us. Stay with us.

Help us through these times of uncertainty and sorrow.

We know you are the Divine Physician, the healer of all. And so we ask that you bring your loving and healing presence to all those who are sick and suffering right now. Please comfort them.

Please be with the grieving families of those who have passed away.

Please have mercy on those who have died, may they be with You in heaven.

Please stand at the side of all medical professionals who are putting themselves at risk while they work to bring healing to others.

Lord, we are scared and we are sorrowful.  
Please heal us. Send us your peace and overwhelming presence.

We ask the Fourteen Holy Helpers, those who lived during the time of the plague, to pray for us and all who are at-risk!

Jesus, we thirst for You. You chose to enter this world as a vulnerable baby. Be with the most vulnerable now. Help us to continue to return to You with our whole hearts throughout this ordeal. **Amen**

## Scholarships Available:

The CDA National level is offering scholarships for the following Awards Listed are on the National Level.

**\*Catholic High School** - You must be Catholic, male or female, do not have to have a relative who is a CDA member. This Scholarship is **for 8th graders entering 9th grade in a Catholic High School in the Fall.**

National Court will Award (2) \$1,000 Scholarships

**\*College** - You must be Catholic, a member of JCDA for at least 2 years, entering Freshman year, (does not have to be a Catholic college/university)

**THEME: HOW WILL I BE COMPASSIONATE AND BRING THE SPIRIT OF GOD TO. OTHERS?**

**1st Place \$1,000.00**

**Scholarship Awards Listed Are On The National Level**

**\*Graduate Studies** - Completed Undergraduate studies, citizen of the US, Catholic, female or male, member or relative of current member of CDA, does not have to be a Catholic college/university. **Deadline 4/1/20**

**(3) \$2,500. Scholarships will be awarded!**

**Scholarship Awards Listed Are On The National Level**

**\*ANN CAREY MEMORIAL \$1,000 Scholarship**

For A Career In The Medical Field **Deadline 5/1/20**

**\*KAY MARTELL MEMORIAL**

Scholarship for Nursing **Deadline 4/15/20**

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## 2020 Annual CDA Dues: Are Now Past Due

Please send your payment of \$30.00 to our  
Financial Secretary, Marge Duryea:  
**P.O. Box 116, Kings Park, NY 11754**

Please make your **Check payable to:**

**Court Ave Maria #832 (2020 dues in Memo)**

It is very important for these dues to be paid on time. As explained in our Standing Rules and Budget, we count on this money to be able to meet our National and State financial obligations.



Lynn Thompson  
Mary Kollath  
Mary Beth Amante  
Rita Lipari  
Jean Trojanoski  
Marie Pacinello  
Barbara Matthews  
Edith Spadaccini  
Frances Finnell  
Patricia Steketee  
Eve Normandin  
Betty O'Brien  
Mary Hackett  
Jan Palumbo  
Tracy McElhone-Lee  
Denise Giglio



Congratulations to member Veronica Vivolo on the birth of her first grandchild, Baby Margaret Alyce!

AND

And congratulations to member Maryann Helldorfer on the birth of her newest grandchild, baby girl, Bernadette Frances!

## **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY**

THE PARISH IS STILL ACCEPTING DONATIONS FOR THE FOOD PANTRY. PLEASE CALL THE PARISH CENTER TO SCHEDULE A DROP OFF TIME FOR ANY NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS.

THIS IS A CRITICAL TIME FOR THE NEEDY,  
SO PLEASE REMEMBER THEM WITH YOUR  
GENEROUS DONATIONS.

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### **IMPORTANT REMINDERS:**

**THE LENTEN BIBLE STUDY** online  
is being offered by member, Colleen Grady  
The sessions run approximately 45 minutes  
Call Colleen for more information 516-984-2029

**EUCHARTISTIC ADORATION & PRAYERS  
FOR LIFE** that would usually take place in the  
Church every Monday evening from 7:00-  
8:00PM during Lent. Is live streamed on the  
parish website, as well as FaceBook.  
Please join us in prayer for an end to abortion.

Go to St. Joseph's Webpage:  
<https://stjosephskp.org>

### **MONDAY EVENING LIVESTREAM EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

St. Josephs Is Offering The Stations Of The  
Cross Every Friday Evening, Which Is Also  
Live Streamed On The Parish Website. Please  
Take Part In Both Of These Very Spiritually  
Enriching Activities.

Go to St. Joseph's Webpage:  
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### **SUMMER SPREE:**

The Past Regents Summer spree will be held  
on August 1st at 12:00 at the Mill Pod Country  
Club in Medford. The tickets are \$40 which  
includes a three course lunch, dessert bar and  
house wines.

If you are interested in attending, please  
contact Regent, Louise Daconta 631-261-1516

## **LETTER WRITING CAMPAIGN**

In case you may have missed it, I had sent out a  
suggestion to our Court to write a cheerful note to  
the residents of local nursing homes and Vets  
homes during this pandemic. I am hoping that some  
of you were able to participate because we can all  
use a bit of cheer at this time of fear and anxiety. The  
facilities which agreed to accept our correspondence  
are:

St. Johnland Nursing Center  
395 Sunken Meadow Road  
Kings Park, NY 11754  
Attn: Carolyn Brown, Recreation

Sunrise Assisted Living Smithtown  
30 Route 111  
Smithtown, NY 11787  
Attn: Jocelyn, Activity Coordinator

LI State Veterans Home  
100 Patriots Road  
Stonybrook, NY 11790  
Attn: Therapeutic Rec Dept

<b>Support Our Local Merchants that have supported our CDA fundraisers. Many of them now have Delivery or Curbside Pickup. Please support them in their time of need.</b>	
Anderson's Deli	Louis Anthony Jewelers
Bagel King	Main St Pizza Café
Café Red	Maureen's Kitchen
Carvel	New Nail Station & Spa
Ciro's	Panera Bread
Clayton's Funeral Home	Park Bakery
DiNapoli Pizza	Park Nails
Edelweiss Deli	Prime Wine & Liquor
Gino's of Kings Park	Professors Diner
IHOP- Commack	Short Stop Pizza
Jessica & Kenny Stationery	Simply Greek
Kings Park Barber Shop	St. Johnland Service Station
Kings Park Hardware	Subway Main St
Kings Park Meat Market	Superior Ice Rink
Kings Park Nails	Tien- Manicure
Kings Park Pharmacy	Toyota Cars

**TURN THE PAGE FOR A FEW CHUCKLES**



## **A FEW CHUCKLES .....**

From Fr. Edward Lamp

Rising Star · March 31, 2020

### Laughter is Good for the Soul

What's the difference between COVID-19 and Romeo and Juliet? One's the coronavirus and the other is a Verona crisis.

Why do they call it the novel coronavirus? It's a long story....

Why didn't the sick guy get the joke? It flu over his head.

Why don't chefs find coronavirus jokes funny? They're in bad taste.

I'll tell you a coronavirus joke now, but you'll have to wait two weeks to see if you got it.

Nail salons, hair salons, waxing center and tanning places are closed. It's about to get ugly out there.

Finland just closed its borders. You know what that means. No one will be crossing the finish line.

What do you tell yourself when you wake up late for work and realize you have a fever? Self, I so late.

Did you hear the joke about the germ? Never mind, I don't want to spread it around.

Where do sick boats go to get healthy? The dock!

What did the sick parent make their kids for lunch? Mac and sneeze.

I ran out of toilet paper and had to start using old newspapers. Times are rough.

You know what they're saying about 2020. It went viral faster than anyone thought it would.

What do you call panic-buying of sausage and cheese in Germany? The wurst kase scenario.

Back in my day you would cough to cover up a fart. Now, with COVID-19, you fart to cover up a cough.

If there's a baby boom nine months from now, what will happen in 2033? There will be a whole bunch of quaranteens.

You know what they say: feed a cold, starve a fever, drink a corona.

What should you do if you don't understand a coronavirus joke? Be patient.

If Coronavirus isn't about beer, why do I keep seeing cases of it?

The grocery stores in France look like tornadoes hit them. All that's left is de brie.


Still no toilet paper in the stores. They're wiped out and you're crap out of luck.

So many coronavirus jokes out there, it's a pandemic.



## LET'S TAKE THE JOURNEY TOGETHER


**HOLY WEEK**



### PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION


Palm Sunday is the sixth and last Sunday of Lent and marks the beginning of Holy Week.

This day joins the foretelling of Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem (as the crowd welcomed Him with palm branches) and the proclamation of His Passion in the Gospel reading. Hence, the day is called both "Palm Sunday" and "Passion Sunday".

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### HOLY THURSDAY

#### *Vacant Church*



The church — now without the Eucharist is truly empty. So the tabernacle light which is always lit and signifying Christ's presence — is extinguished, and the tabernacle door is left open, exposing the vacant space inside. The altar is stripped bare of its linens and candles, holy water is removed from the church's fonts and the sacraments are not celebrated until the Easter vigil. Like the first Christians bereft of Jesus and mourning the two days after the crucifixion, the church stands unadorned until the Easter vigil Mass on Saturday night. With the resurrection of Jesus, the church's joy is restored.

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## Sacred Triduum



Holy Thursday  
Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday  
Veneration of the Cross


Holy Saturday  
Easter Vigil


*Catholic Company*

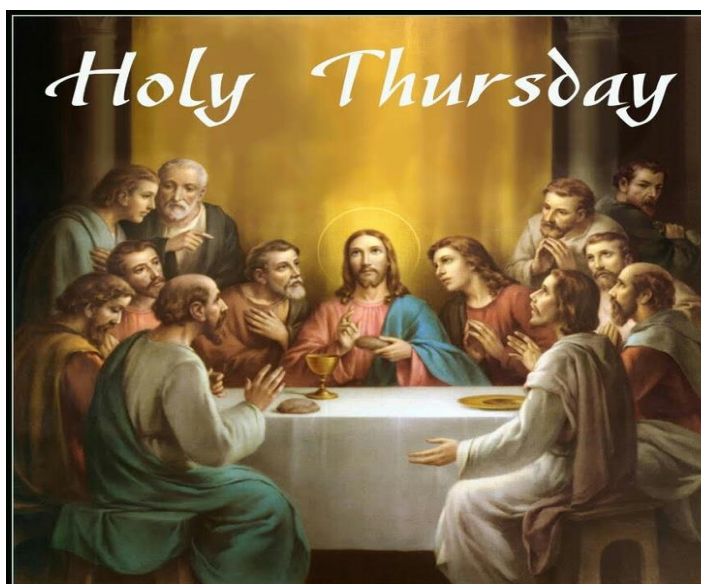
"But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." ~Romans 5:8

That is why Good Friday is referred to as *good*.

### *Good Friday*







### *A prayer* FOR GOOD FRIDAY

God, fill me with gratitude and grace to sit in the stillness that mourns your Son's death, yet celebrates the ultimate triumph of the cross.

As Jesus was ignored, laughed at, and unjustly crucified, let me never take for granted His huge gift of love when He sacrificed His life to take my place. Help remind me that His pain will not have the last word.

And His death is not the end of the story.

Thank you, Jesus, that by your wounds we are healed, and because of your sacrifice we can live free. Thank you that sin and death have been conquered, and help us walk in your hope, truth, and strength forever.

*Amen.*

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## Holy Saturday

*Then Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock. He then rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb . . .*

~Matthew 27:59-60

### LET US PRAY:

Lord Jesus, today we reflect on your complete and total obedience to the Father, even unto death. Help us to be mindful of your deep love for us every day as a sign of our gratitude for our new life through Baptism.



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National Shrine of St. Jude  
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