



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

Court Ave Maria #832

59 Church Street, Kings Park, NY 11754

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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***OUR FIRST MEETING IS ON
SEPTEMBER 23rd 2019, In Travis Hall**

Things to remember for the first meeting:

(Detailed explanations below)

- Diapers for baby shower
- \$20 Donations for car seats
- School Supplies for Little Flower CS
- Check for \$15 for Military Bridge Ticket (if attending)
- Lottery Tickets / Raffle Basket Military Bridge

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

Sept. 10: St. Catherine's Nursing Home Tea
Sept. 25: St. Johnland's Nursing Home Tea
Sept 23: CDA Meeting
Oct 20: CDA Sunday Mass
Oct 26: Memorial Mass 11:30 (at St. Joe's)
Luncheon 12:30
Oct 28: CDA Meeting: Baby Shower
Oct. __ Audit: Need 3 volunteers (Date TBD)
Nov. 8: Military Bridge Fundraiser
Nov. 11: Veterans Day Parade
Nov. 18: CDA Meeting
Dec. 7: Christmas Party & Mass

HELP WANTED SECTION

- ****URGENT**** Military Bridge
(Chairperson & Helpers)
- Budget Committee (3 volunteers)

*****Happening Now In Our Court*****
(DETAILS FROM THE ABOVE LIST)

We have already gotten a jump on our very busy upcoming year. We ask each of you to start thinking about Back to School Supplies. The Court will be collecting & distributing items to:

“THE LITTLE FLOWER CHILDREN’S SERVICES”
by Maryann Helldorfer

OUR REGULAR MEETING, SEPTEMBER 23RD:

we will be opening our doors at 6:30 pm.

(please do not come before 6:30pm. There is religious education class going on and we are not permitted in the building before that). Our 6:30 pm time will give everyone enough time to: Sign in, Purchase tickets, WRITE OUT YOUR PRAYER INTENTIONS, Socialize, have refreshments, JOIN CDA MEMBERS IN THE chapel and pray the rosary, all before we have to settle down for our meeting which will start at 7:30pm sharp!

Our CDA Baby Shower: October 28th

Held during our October Meeting;

Please remember to bring a package of Diapers to our September Meeting &/or if you want, you can make a donation towards purchasing an Infant Car Seat. Patricia Boylan and Diana Sommo will be available to take your \$20.00 donation, or whatever amount you wish to donate and put it towards purchasing Car Seats to go to the Life Center. **No amount is too small...** We are also in need of helpers at our Baby Shower. **Anyone wishing to help, please contact: Patricia Boylan (631) 269-3979 or Diana Sommo (631) 724-5320**

MILITARY BRIDGE, NOVEMBER 8TH, 2019

****Please consider stepping up to Chair or to be on this committee****

Tickets will be sold at our September meeting. The cost this year will be \$15.00 per ticket. Ladies, these tickets go very fast. I suggest you plan on purchasing your tickets at our first meeting. We will be advertising this fundraiser to the public after our September meeting and there is a limited amount of tickets to be sold. Don't be left out. ***See attached Flyer.**

We will also be pre-selling 50/50 Raffle Tickets for this Fundraiser. You need not be present to win! We are still in need of helpers for this function. If you are willing to help with Setup, Cleanup, Donate a Raffle Baskets or Hospitality.

Please volunteer to help!

**** it is through our fundraisers that we support our many worthy charities**.**

Drop off completed baskets with a description of contents to: Lisa McDermott: 44 King Street, Kings Park

Court Ave Maria's
Annual Christmas Luncheon Celebration
December 7th, 2019

Tickets for this Celebration will also be sold at our October meeting. Our Ladies will be able to purchase tickets at our October meeting, before they are opened up to our Sister Courts. You will have a chance to purchase these tickets at our November meeting also if there are any left. We only have seating for 150 people.

More information to follow.

THIS IS NOT A FUNDRAISER

♠Did you know you can listen to
Fr. Peter's homilies online? ♠

It is called: Catholicism on the Web

Go to: <http://www.dugandzic.us>

And listen for yourself.



Prayers



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:
Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, Our Bishops and Priests, especially Our Parish Priests, Clergy and Staff.

For continued healing for our members and loved ones.

“Dear Lord, wrap Your arms around our members who are hurting today, and let them feel how much You love them.”

If you know of anyone in need of our support and prayers, please contact any of our board members

Or email prayer requests to:

Pat Ziegler: pziegler@optonline.net

Happy Birthday September & October

9/2 Annette Nicosia 9/22 Patrice Alexander

9/8 *Blessed Mother's Birthday*

9/8 Maura Ruggiero 9/24 Annette Amante

9/9 Joan Dwyer 9/27 Marilyn Parlato

9/13 Bella Pavese 9/29 Adrienne Gatto

9/13 Rose Keating

****In case the next newsletter is late, here is the first week of October Birthdays...**

10/1 Michelle Werner 10/4 Cindy Gonatas

10/3 Theresa White 10/7 Lorraine Weiner

***HAVE YOU GIVEN US YOUR BIRTHDAY?**

If you would like to have your birthday announced too, I need to have it first. If you haven't given it to me yet, please send me an e-mail, text or phone call and I'll Include you in our Birthday Club.

***REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR NAME TAG AT EACH MEETING & SIGN IN (PLEASE PRINT**

CLEARLY). IF YOU DON'T HAVE ONE, PLEASE GO TO THE MEMBERSHIP TABLE AND REQUEST ONE.

***SPEAKERS** are needed for each of the masses the weekend of CDA Sunday, Oct 20th – Sat evening masses on Oct 19th. You will be provided with a script of what to say. If you would like to volunteer for a mass, please contact: Louise Daconta, Regent (631) 261-1516

***RIDES NEEDED?** If you would like to come to a meeting, but are unable to drive for any reason, please contact any board member and your information will be passed on to our ride coordinator. We would all love to see you, and share some time with you. **If you are able to pick some up and give them a ride please contact us also!**

***HAVE YOU MOVED OR CHANGED YOUR PHONE #?** Please contact Cindy Gonatas, recording secretary ASAP!

National: National Regent, Olga Samaniego's theme for her 2-year term is:
“SPEAK LORD, FOR YOUR SERVANT IS LISTENING.”

State: NYS Regent, Dr. Heather Rave
“Let Your Light Shine”

NYS Legislation:

Taken from the newspaper: CATHOLIC NEW YORK 8/29/19 The chairmen of three U.S. bishops' committees Aug. 21, 2019 welcomed a proposed rule from the U.S. Department of Labor aimed at clarifying religious protections that may be invoked by federal contractors, including faith-based organizations.

"Faith-based groups should have the opportunity to compete on a level playing field as they seek to partner with the federal government to provide critical social services," the bishops said in a statement.

"These proposed rules protect religious liberty, a core constitutional right, by clarifying existing religious exemptions consistent with federal law and recent Supreme Court precedent." This proposed rule helps ensure the civil rights of religious employers are protected; & clarify that religious organizations may make employment decisions "consistent with their sincerely held religious tenets and beliefs without fear of sanction by the federal government."

However, the Labor Department said the proposal "also reaffirms employers' obligations not to discriminate on the basis of race, sex, or other protected bases and does not exempt or excuse a contractor from complying with any other requirements."

A recent decisions from the high court: Masterpiece Cakeshop v. Colorado Civil Rights Commission, In the Masterpiece case, the court ruled in favor of a Colorado baker who refused to bake a wedding cake for a same-sex couple because of a religious objection.



Get Involved with Committee help.

Ave Maria Visitors

Contact Mary Herbert 631 269-1118
5-6 ladies needed for phone calling members that are sick, home bound etc.

Nursing Home Teas

Contact: Pat Ziegler 631 724-0413
Peggie Moss 631-724-0178
Ladies interested in joining other CDA members already servings, socializing and bringing happiness to those in St Catherine's & St Johnland's Nursing homes. (Only 4 times a year) You will receive more pleasure than you could ever imagine by doing this.

Adopt A Family

Contact: Joanne Leonardi (631) 379-1585
Several ladies needed (do it with a friend – or meet a new one) to shop for our Adopt-A-Family. You will be given a list of items and ideas. You can do it once, twice, or as many times you want. Who doesn't love shopping?

Spreading the Word:

There are still members in our Court that do not have access to e-mail. It is very unfortunate because many of these ladies are unable to use their special talents of being Prayer Warriors for us when needed. When Prayer Requests go out to our Membership, only people with e-mail are able to receive them. If you would be willing to help us by **Spreading the Word** to these ladies, we will give you a list of phone #'s to call and relay our messages. If we get enough ladies that are willing to do this for us, each person will only have a few people to call, and not only spread our news but perhaps meet a new member they never met before and be able to add another person in their collection of Friends.... If you happen to be one of those ladies that doesn't receive e-mail and would like to be informed, please contact Louise Daconta to be put on our **List of ladies to Call**.
God Bless you All for being so generous with your time, talent, and Love...

Movie "Unplanned": The DVD donated to our Court by member, Joanne Leonardi. If you wish to borrow it, please sign it out and return it when done.

Hospitality starts at 6:30 pm

Upcoming events.

Sept. 10th Tea at St. Catherine Nursing home

Sept. 25th Tea at St. Johnland Nursing home

Sept. 7th **Scholarship Luncheon;**

Saturday, 12 noon at St Patrick's Church,
280 East Main Street, Smithtown, NY

Sept. 23rd

Sept. 23rd **CDA Meeting** in Travis Hall 7:30 pm.

Hospitality starts at **6:30 pm**. Have some coffee and desert and get a chance to say "Hello" to all your old friends and make some new ones too before our meeting starts.

6:45 Rosary in upstairs chapel

Oct. 28th **CDA Meeting and Baby Shower** in Travis Hall **7:30pm**

Rosary 6:45 pm in upstairs chapel

Hospitality starts at **6:30 pm**.

Oct. Audit TBD 3-4 volunteers needed (*get involved, check it out*)

Oct 20th **CDA Sunday** – 10:30 or 12:00 pm
Mass. To Be Announced

Oct 26th **Annual Memorial Mass** and Luncheon
our Court is Hosting

Oct. 28th **CDA Meeting** in Travis Hall 7:30pm
Rosary 6:45 pm in upstairs chapel
Hospitality starts at **6:30 pm**.

Nov 8th Military Bridge Travis Hall 6:00pm

Nov 11 **CDA Meeting** in Travis Hall 7:30pm
Rosary, 6:45 pm in upstairs chapel
Hospitality starts at **6:30 pm**.

Dec 1st Hospitality for Family Mass

Dec 7th Christmas Luncheon

Jan 27th **CDA Meeting** in Travis Hall 7:30pm
Rosary, 6:45 pm in upstairs chapel
Hospitality starts at **6:30 pm**

Feb 24th **CDA Meeting** in Travis Hall 7:30pm
Rosary, 6:45 pm in upstairs chapel
Hospitality starts at **6:30 pm**

Mar 23rd **CDA Meeting** in Travis Hall 7:30pm
Rosary, 6:45 pm in upstairs chapel
Hospitality starts at **6:30 pm**

Apr 20th **CDA Meeting** in Travis Hall 7:30pm
Rosary, 6:45 pm in upstairs chapel

May 27th **WEDNESDAY CDA Meeting** in Travis Hall 7:30pm

Rosary, 6:45 pm in upstairs chapel

Hospitality starts at **6:30 pm**

June 15th **CDA Installation Mass of New Board and Reception of New Members in Church 7:00PM followed by CDA Hospitality and Meeting**