



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS
Court Ave Maria #832
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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.

June 2019

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THE EMPIRE STATE
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Our Chaplain's Corner

It is with a heavy sentimental heart that we bid farewell to our Chaplain, Fr. Seán Gann. How do we begin to express our feelings, and appreciation to an amazing human being...Our Chaplain...Our Spiritual Leader, and our true Friend for the past 11 years?

Have you ever thought of the words that appropriately describe The Church? Or sat down to ponder the descriptions that effectively capture the essence of what The Church should feel and sound like? A few words come to mind...

- THE CHURCH IS DYNAMIC. It is full of energy and actions that inspire our faith and beliefs.
- THE CHURCH IS INVITING. It allows us all to enrich our souls with the power of God and draws our participation to serve Our Lord with love and righteousness.
- THE CHURCH IS INTERACTIVE. It joins us into the community and encourages our relationships along with fellowships that strengthen us as a whole.
- THE CHURCH IS RELEVANT. It guides us to be in tune with the issues and events happening in our world. It provides an environment of teaching and understanding, that is pertinent to our day-to-day lives.



FR. SEÁN, YOU HAVE CAPTURED AND INSTILLED THESE WORDS, FEELINGS, AND BELIEFS INTO ALL OF US...

As Catholic Daughters, we all feel that we have been absolutely blessed to have you in our lives over these past eleven years... But for many of us, that seems like an understatement of the true blessing, that you really are.

Please know, as we send you off to your new assignment with sincerely grateful, thankful and spiritually enriched hearts...all due to you, we are wishing you all the best in your new Parish, St. Patrick's Church, in Bay Shore.

We're sure your new Parishioners will quickly realize just how lucky they are to have gained such an amazing Leader....because sadly, we sure know what it feels like to lose one.

May God forever bless you, with Faith, Peace and Love. You will be dearly missed. Please always remember us in your Prayers, as we will always keep you in ours.

*God Bless You, Fr. Seán,
And Please Remember,
Our Prayers Are With You, Always...*
❤️ Love, ❤️

*All the Members of
Court Ave Maria #832*

OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON Monday, June 17th 2019

Remember this will be our Reception of New Members Mass for both CDA and JCDA Members. Remember to wear your Sash and your name tag. Officers, please wear your Robes. All new members and those processing in will arrive at 6:30pm. you will meet in the rear of the Church to line up for our procession. All other members must be in the Church by 6:45pm seated on the Blessed Mother's side. We will process in at 7:00pm sharp. Fr. Sean will celebrate this Mass with us. Family members and friends are also invited. After Mass, we will all go back to Travis Hall for Hospitality, Socialization and a very short meeting.



Prayers



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Pope Francis, Our Good Bishops and Priests, especially Fr. Seán, Fr. Francis, Fr. Thomas, all our Clergy and Staff, Our Military, the many people suffering with the pains of loneliness, isolation and being ignored. The innocent born and unborn children who will suffer under the recent bill passed by the Assembly of NYS.



For continued healing of our CDA Members:

Joann Bergin, Pam DeFord, Margaret Ann DeMarzo, Mary Jane Dipaoli, Ann Dwyer, Maureen Egan, Annmarie Galante, Laura Gallagher, Pat Magnan, Margaret Moran, Ivy Murphy, Marie Pacinello Bella Pavese, Valerie Terraciano, Toni Valentine, and Diane Yacenda.



For continued healing of our CDA Member's Husbands: Tony Geraci, Tom McCabe, Jim Pane, and Jim Perillo.



For the Soul of Phil McKeon, beloved husband of our dear sister, Marge McKeon who was called home to the Lord on May 14, 2019. Please keep Marge and her family in your prayers.

- Member, Anna Pankovcin, is in St. Catherine's rehab due to a fall. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers. She would love company. She is in rm#110.
- Member, Mary Jane Dipaoli, is in need of our prayers as she is now undergoing Chemo. Please keep Mary Jane in your prayers.
- Member & Recording Secretary Cindy Gonatas has asked for prayers for her 13-year-old cousin Danielle who is going to St. Francis for a very serious surgery.
- Member, Michele Stein's son, is still in need of our prayers to help guide him through this difficult time.
- Member Barbara Stirnweis' daughter Donna, is still in need of our prayers.
- Member Mary Kollath's daughter is suffering with severe health issues. She is returning home to be able to get proper health care. Allison is a Charter member of our JCDA and was Mary's inspiration to join CDA. Please keep Allison and Mary's family in your prayers.
- Member, Jessica Maue's nephew Randy, is in need of our prayers. He has stage 4 small cell lung cancer as a direct result of smoking. Please keep Randy and his family in your prayers. Please pray for all those who still smoke to find the strength to quit...
- Member Carolyn Flynn's brother In-law Bill is still in need of our prayers for a speedy recovery and prayers of thanksgiving for the skillful surgeon's ability to prevent a massive coronary failure from happening.
- Member, Eileen Allnach's brother in law, Clint, only 54 years old, was diagnosed with AML and is in need of our prayers.
- Anne Shanahan, friend to many, wishing her a complete and speedy recovery.
- Special intentions for a very dear man who is suffering with the effects of a cruel illness. 🙏
- Member, Elaine Roth fell on Ascension Thursday. Blaming the slippery soles of her shoes she fell on her face. Bloody lip, scratched nose and severely bruised/or fractured right wrist. Prayers for healing are greatly appreciated.
- Member, Laura Jean Motherway is asking for prayers for her mom, Grace Iannuzzi who has suffered a series of strokes and has a weakened

heart. The family is asking for prayers, for strength and the grace to accept God's will for her.

- For all our CDA friends and family members suffering and struggling with difficulties and are in need of our prayers.

"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

Pat Ziegler; pziegler@optonline.net
for email prayer requests

♥ Prayers of Thanksgiving & Good News ♥

- Prayers of Thanksgiving to Fr. Sean the occasion of his 25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood.
- Congratulations to Deacon John E. Trodden on the 25th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Diaconate.
- Congratulations to Member Angela Perillo, on the Marriage of her son, Matthew to Tiffany Sanders on May 18, 2019.
- Congratulations to Member, Colleen Grady-Scarlett and her husband Roy Scarlett on the celebration of the convalidation of their marriage vows in the Sacrament of Marriage at St. Joseph's Church on Saturday May 18, 2019. May God continue to strengthen their commitment.
- Congratulations to Mary Hackett on the birth of her fourteenth (14th) Great Grandchild. Mary's grandson, Thomas and Danielle, gave birth to Adalynn Liane on May 12, 2019.
- Congratulations again to Mary Hackett on the birth of her fifteenth (15th) Great Grandchild. Andrew was born on May 29, 2019 to Mary's granddaughter, Catherine & Israel Herrera. Andrew weighed in at 6 lbs - 3oz.
- Congratulations to our Past Regent, Marguerite Forde, in being elected as New York State Secretary
- Congratulations to our CDA Local Education Award Winners:

Patrick Mullarkey	1st	place	Division I	Essay
Brian Estrada	1st	place	Division I	Art
Sara Sette.	2nd	place	Division I	Art
Robert Estrada	3rd	place	Division I	Art
- Congratulations to our CDA Court Ave Maria #832 Ann Carey Memorial Scholarship Winner:
Isabelle Normandin
Granddaughter of Member Eva Normandin
- Congratulations to our CDA Court Ave Maria #832 College Scholarship Winner:
Jackson Capoldo
Grandson of Past Regent, Maryann Helldorfer

♥ Prayers of Appreciation ♥

- Past Regent, Maryann Helldorfer is happy to report her grandson, Daniel is now free of all the cancerous tumors. She wants to thank all the ladies for their prayers. He is in a very good mind. She said "Daniel sends his Love and thanks to everyone."
- Member & Recording Secretary, Cindy Gonatas wants us to know her cousin, Danielle, did great with her surgery (thanks to all our ladies praying so hard). She is home recovering and resting. My cousins was very impressed with our prayer chain and said, "they really appreciated it". Thank you Everyone for your love and support. It was greatly appreciated.
Love, Cindy
- Thank you to our CDA members, Vice Regent, Louise Daconta; Secretary, Cindy Gonatas; Treasurer, Mary McGee; Past Regent, Marguerite Forde; & Carol Schubert, who traveled to Albany, to represent our court at the 2019 NYS Convention. And Thank you God for allowing them all to safely return home to us.
- Thank you to Carol McGuire and Margaret Ann DeMarzo for all their help during the 25th Anniversary of Fr. Seán and Deacon John's Party. Their hospitality talents truly excelled.
 - Thank you to all our CDA member who so graciously stepped up and helped at our **ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC**.

POCKET LADIES

Helen Bradish, Joyce Holochuck, & Val Terracciano

MOBILE RAFFLE LADIES

Carolyn Flynn, Jessica Maue, & Diane Yacenda

KEEPERS OF THE GATE

JoAnn Bergin, Carol Cravotta, Laura De La Rosa, Carolyn Flynn, Marguerite Forde, Maria Frontario, Denise Giglio, Mary Hackett, Barbara Harnett, Maryann Helldorfer, Joy Martinsen, Carol McGuire, Fran Pipolo, Colleen Grady-Scarlett, Diana Sommo, Veronica Vivolo, Barbara Walker, Michelle Werner

&

The Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Thank you to the many CDA Ladies who came out to support The Kings Park, Memorial Day Parade. On Monday May 27th. 2019. It was attended by about 36 of our Members wearing their sashes, waving our flags and proudly honoring our deceased Veterans by marching and representing the Catholic Daughters of the Americas.



On that note...A Very special Thank You goes out to our member Jasmine Choi.



After marching in the parade, nine (9) of our Members carpooled to The Stony Brook Veterans Nursing Home. While we were there, Jasmine presented beautiful Memorial Day Cards with a special Veterans Prayer, composed by her for each of the one hundred Catholic Veteran Residents. (see page 7) We also handed out handmade stars to each Veteran as we did a "Meet & Greet" with each one as they entered into the Multi-purpose room for some Memorial Day Entertainment. The smiles on the resident's faces was the most rewarding gift any of us has ever received. Thank you again to Jasmine Choi for organizing and making this wonderful experience happen. All of our members are always invited to join us. Please always check your Newsletters for upcoming events such as this...



Left to Right: Peggy Moss, Joyce Holochuck, Dottie Pilock, Joan Smith, Cindy Gonatas, Pat Ziegler, Jasmine Choi, Denise Giglio, Lauren Krikorian



June

6/1 Helen Geant	6/18 Joan Smith
6/1 Michelle Stein	6/21 Tien Kusdriyati
6/2 Maria DeDonato	6/21 Marilyn Menzies
6/2 Barbara Walker	6/24 Marianne Dayton
6/5 Laura Gallagher	6/26 Betty Byrne
6/9 Margie Connick	6/29 Margaret DeMarzo
6/10 Joan Dolan	

Happy Birthday



7/2 Annemarie Cervo	7/15 Marie Pace
7/2 Virginia Hogan	7/16 Carol Liguori
7/5 Maureen Mealie	7/18 Josephine LoRusso
7/8 Maria Misso	7/25 Evelyn Fay
7/12 Colleen Grady	7/25 Mary Steele
7/13 Maryann Helldorfer	7/29 Josette Villano
7/14 Patricia Fives	7/30 Theresa DiChiara
7/15 Angela Roca	7/30 Marge McKeon
7/15 Gloria Legrottaglie	7/31 Mary McGrath

Suffolk County Scholarship Luncheon,

Sat., September 7, 2019 12:00 noon – 4:00pm
St. Patrick R.C. Church, Canning Hall, 280 E. Main St., Smithtown. **\$20.00 per person.** Last chance to Sign-up for reservations and meal selections will be at our June meeting. Please join us, don't miss out on this for a great time, and for a good cause.

Cost: \$20.00 per person. Your Check should be made payable to: **Court Ave Maria #832**
Reservation Deadline June 18th

SCSC Raffles are on sale for only \$1.00 each 6 for \$5.00 at our meetings. Winner will be drawn at our Scholarship Luncheon September 7th 2019 (**see above**)

CDA Memorial Mass & Luncheon,

Saturday, October 26, 2019 Mass will be celebrated at St Joseph's at 11:30am. All Catholic Daughters of the Rockville Centre Diocese who passed away in the 12 months prior to the Mass will be honored. All CDA Members are invited to attend. For those wishing to join us, Lunch will be served immediately after the Mass at The Indian Hills Country Club in Northport. The cost of the luncheon is \$42.00. Reservations are now available. Your Check should be made payable to: Court Ave Maria #832. For further information, please see Marguerite Forde or Pat Ziegler at our next meeting or contact Marguerite at 631 265-6088.

ACTIVITIES IN OUR PARISH:

The Catholic Daughters sponsor the First Saturday's Novena to the Immaculate heart of Mary on the first Saturday of each month immediately after the 8:45 AM Mass.

FATHER SEÁN'S FAREWELL MASS AND RECEPTION:

JUNE 9, 2019 ~ 12:00 NOON
PARISH RECEPTION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING ON
CHURCH GROUNDS.

LOCAL COURT HAPPENINGS:

For Your Information

- ***St Anthony's Church**, in East Northport will be presenting **MATTHEW KELLY VIDEO PRESENTATIONS:** in the Lower Church Alcove.
PART 1 – TWO SESSIONS LEFT:
Choice of Morning or Evening.
Thursday June 6, 2019. 10AM or 7:30 PM
Thursday June 13, 2019. 10AM or 7:30 PM
- **Court St. Gerard, #1920 is hosting their annual Fashion Show on Friday, June 14th at 7:00 PM** at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church in Centereach. Food, Fun, Fashions, Raffles, Gift Baskets! Fashions by White House Black Market and catering by Café Amici (dinner, coffee, dessert). Cost is **\$34 per person. Red, White and Blue attire is suggested for Flag Day.** For tickets, contact Marguerite Forde 631 265-6088.
- **Our Lady of Victory, Court #375 100th Anniversary Party.** On Saturday, **June 15th, 2019** 11AM Mass at St. Patrick's Church, Huntington, NY Reception immediately following Mass. You will be their honored Guest! Contact Denise 631 499-0144 if you wish to go.

Healing Mass: June 19th @ 7:30 PM
St. Bernard Church
3100 Hempstead Tpke.
Levittown, NY

If you or someone you know is dealing with sickness or in need of extra prayers for healing, CDA Court St. Pius X #1690, is sponsoring a Healing Mass on Wednesday, June 19th at 7:30 pm at St Bernard Church. It will be a gentle Mass with a special emphasis on healing – whether physical, spiritual, emotional, etc. All are welcome to attend.

- **Summer Spree** Past Regents Chapter
CDA Court St. Pius X #1690, Levittown will be hosting this years Summer Spree Luncheon. The goal of this Summer Spree is to raise money for the various charities that are supported by the Past Regents Chapter .

This year they will gather on:

Saturday, August 10th @ 12 to 4pm

Domeico's Italian Restaurant
3270A Hempstead Turnpike
Levittown, NY 11756

There will be a social hour followed by a three course sit down luncheon. Tickets will be available at our May and June Meetings. Cost \$35.00 per person.
Deadline to purchase tickets is June 18, 2019.

If anyone has good news that they wish to share with the rest of us or wants to write an article to be published in our Newsletter, please contact Me or any member of our Board. We will make every effort to share it with our members!

National:

Bishops Launch Human Life Action as Grassroots Pro-Life Organization

Shortly after the *Roe v. Wade* decision legalizing abortion, the United States Catholic bishops established the National Committee for a Human Life Amendment as their official, national pro-life grassroots organization. Now known as Human Life Action (HLA), the purpose of the group is to build the Catholic pro-life community, and to engage in local and national civic action on the full range of life issues.

"A good starting point for pro-life activities is the concept of 'faithful citizenship,' said Brian Duggan, Human Life Action executive director. "Faithful citizenship recognizes our dual heritage as Catholics and citizens. We have rights and duties, both in participating in the civic order and in keeping our faith."

Duggan said building the pro-life community is an important part of the job. "We need community to sustain civic action," he said. A great example of building community is their recent work to publicize the movie *Unplanned* in both the Catholic and pro-life communities nationwide. Duggan said, "We devoted a lot of attention to publicizing the movie, *Unplanned*. That movie brought pro-life people together. HLA and the Catholic Daughters have become better acquainted through that connection. It benefits the whole pro-life movement."

The HLA website is a treasure trove of pro-life information on everything from Assisted Suicide to the United Nations Population Fund. Dozens of topics are explained in a quick synopsis, with links to many supporting documents that verify the Catholic church's positions on these important issues. To learn more, contact Human Life Action by calling or emailing Brian Duggan at 240-478- 0794, or bduggan@nchla.org or visiting the website humanlifeaction.org

By Margaret Sitte, National Legislative Chair
Approved: Olga Samaniego, National Regent

State:

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY
ELECTED NEW YORK STATE SECRETARY,
MARGUERITE FORDE.**

CONGRATULATIONS TO COURT AVE MARIA



**FOR WINNING 1ST PLACE
Category 2, Division 2
IN THE NEW YORK STATE
NEWSLETTER CONTEST**

CDA Legislation:

**United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
Bishops oppose Equality Act; Reaffirm authentic
human dignity**

Three bishops who chair major committees of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) have publicly opposed the Equality Act, which was introduced in Congress last March. The act would add the new terms "sexual orientation" and "gender identity" to the definition of "sex" in federal civil rights laws. If passed, the act would have far-reaching implications on health care, schools, athletics, free speech, religious liberty, personal privacy, parental rights, charitable services, and women and girls' legal protections.

Bishop Frank J. Dewane of Venice, Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz, of Louisville, and Bishop James D. Conley of Lincoln, wrote the letter. In referring to those who identify as 'LGBT,' the bishops wrote, "each and every person should be treated with dignity and respect. Part of that dignity, as Pope Benedict stated, is every person's right to gainful and decent employment free of unjust discrimination. Also included is each person's right to services that address their needs for health and safety."

"Rather than offering meaningful protections for individuals, however, the Equality Act would impose sweeping regulations to the detriment of society as a whole." The act already has 240 co-sponsors, more than enough to pass in the US House.

Please contact your Congressional delegation, urging House members to oppose H.R. 5 and Senate members to oppose S. 788.



I am a Catholic Daughter

Inspirational Thought



*As Children bring their broken toys
with tears for us to mend.
I brought my broken dreams to God,
because he was my friend.
But then, instead of leaving Him
in peace to work alone,
I hung around and tried to help,
with ways that were my own.
At last, I snatched them back and cried,
"How can you be so slow?"
"My Child" He said, "What could I do?
You never did let go."*

Truth In Humor

Keeper of the House

*Many will be shocked to find,
When the Day of Judgment nears,
That there's a Special place in heaven,
Set aside for Volunteers.*

*Furnished with big recliners,
Satin couches and foot-stools,
Where there's no committee chairmen,
No group leaders or carpools.*

*No meetings and no raffle sales:
There will be nothing there to staple,
Not one thing to fold, stuff or mail,
Which needs a pre-printed label.*

*Calling Post calls will be outlawed,
But a finger snap will bring,
Cool drinks and gourmet dinners,
And rare treats fit for a king.*

*You ask who'll serve these privileged few
And work for all they're worth?
Why, all those who reaped the benefits,
And not once VOLUNTEERED on earth.*

Upcoming events:

June 5: First Wednesday, Movie of the Month will begin at 1:00 pm in the Centennial room with the showing of: **Nine Lives:** A stuffy businessman finds himself trapped inside the body of his family's cat. [90 minutes] [Comedy]

June 9th Priest Appreciation Day
Fr. Sean's Farewell Mass & Reception

June 11th St. Catherine's Nursing Home Tea

June 15th Kings Park Day (help needed)

June 17th End of Year Mass and Reception of all New CDA & JCDA Members in Church. Regular meeting and hospitality to follow in Travis Hall. (see page 2 of Newsletter)

June 18th St. Johnland's Nursing Home Tea

June 22nd Ordination to the Priesthood "Father Alexander Turpin" at St. Agnes Cathedral in Rockville Centre.

June 26th Moving out day for Fr. Sean

June 26th Moving in day for Fr. Peter Dugandzic (more info to follow in Summer Newsletter)

July – August: Fr. Alexander Turpin will be ministering to our Parish. Family. (more info to follow in Summer Newsletter)

**TBA: Committee Chair Meeting
Budget & Standing Rules Meetings
Crafting for Christmas for Veterans....**

Aug 10 Summer Spree 12 – 4. (see page 5 in Newsletter)

JASMINE'S VETERAN'S POEM For Memorial Day (see page 4)

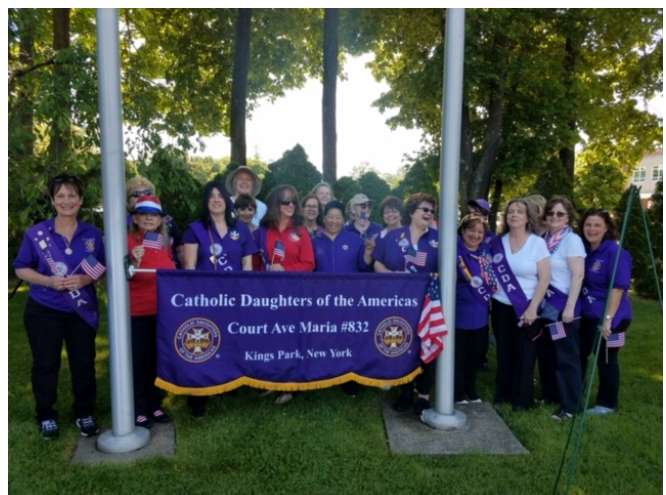
A HERO LIKE YOU
AN INDISPENSABLE CAUSE...
Sincerely,
Catholic Daughters of the Americas
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To Our Proud Veterans,

Embracing the spirit of life, you did not strike in confusion, the unknown or uncertainty. You bore a strong mind. You carried on enduring the sacrifices of peace. The mind and body of our Veterans to face negative and fearless circumstances, endows our fate and actions unto faith in God. You coped with it as understood. Without it affecting one's integrity, consume fear, or make one morally vulnerable. You as a Veteran are true to your code. Valiant, honest and determined to fight and protect our freedoms and our country's virtues, you have adorned such a suit of armor. The citizens of our proud nation are indebted to you and salute you. In memory of your remembered comrades, you are in our thoughts and prayers. Always remember, after attaining peace and victory,

God waits for a Veteran's prayer....

Kings Park 2019 Memorial Day Parade



St. Joseph's Parish Picnic

2019 May Crowning



I just want to thank each and every one of you for making this past year of being your Regent, such a wonderful experience... Just think, we get to do this all over again next year! Wishing you all a wonderful Summer. With All My Love,

Denise