



St. Margaret's Messenger

Catholic Daughters of the Americas
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Winter 2023-2024



CDA Motto "Unity and Charity"



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CHURCH HAPPENINGS

Ladies, don't forgotten rummage sale. It is a good chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husband's.

From book : Church chuckles
Tickling Your Holy Funny Bone

CDA 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.



Message from the Vice Regent

Hello Ladies,

Wow! We maybe small in numbers, but have accomplished so much this Fall. October was a whirlwind month, and all the events were a huge success:

Gummi Bears for Habitat
Faith and Family dinner
Quilt raffle
Financial Review
CDA Sunday



Thank you for all your hard work and dedication. The quilt raffle will continue through the holidays, if you need a picture of the quilt please let me know. Let's finish strong with the raffle.

We are in need of volunteers to represent the Catholic Daughter's as Honor Guards at members funerals. It is just a few hour commitment to be present at the funeral and wear a robe . This is an honor our members deserve on their final journey. If you are willing to help out, please let Marie or Dawn know , so we can have a list ready to call. This does not mean you need to do all the funerals. Thank you in advance. Your help is greatly appreciated.

I would like to personally wish you all a Blessed Thanksgiving, and a very Merry Christmas, and a Happy, Healthy New Year. Enjoy your time with family and friends.

God bless

Dawn Barchus



MN State CDA Legislative Update

Hello,

I hope you are doing well. Shown below is a short legislative update you could read at an upcoming Catholic Daughters meeting and/or add to a court newsletter.

The Minnesota State Legislature is adjourned until February 12th, 2024, so it may seem like there's nothing going on, but committee meetings are being held now, so it's still a good time to make your voices heard. The Minnesota Catholic Conference website has information and an easy way to email legislators about pro-life issues, such as baby items tax exemptions, assisted suicide, online child exploitation, and educational choices for children. Go to: www.mncatholic.org/actionalerts to learn more about these issues.

As a reminder, if you contact your state representatives about any of these topics, please do so as an individual citizen and not as part of this organization, as it may jeopardize our non- profit status. Thank you!

Please let me know if you have any questions.

In Unity & Charity,

Brandy Pelzel - State Legislative Chair
Court St. Mary #509
Moorhead, MN



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Court St. Margaret, Eveleth, MN sponsors a pro-life program and we encourage our members to pray for pro-life both individually and as a group.

Recently, one of our former CDA sisters, Genny Spollar, came up with the idea to knit infant hats. She loves to knit and wanted to do something in memory of the daughter of a dear friend who passed away a few years ago. So, she began to knit hats for full term and premature babies. (Keep in mind that all of her time and all of the yarn are donated by her.)

These little hats were in an array of colors and just beautifully made. She made them by the dozens to give away and to promote the "choose life" motto. She was aware of our pro-life program in Court St.

Margaret and wanted her Catholic Daughter sisters to distribute them as part of that program.

About 100 of these precious hats were initially given to the maternity ward at the Fairview Hospital in Hibbing, MN, and were greatly appreciated by them. Several dozen were distributed to OB/GYN doctor's offices in the area. She continued to knit another 400 hats, 200 of each size. We delivered 200 of these to the Epiphany Caring for Life Center in Coon Rapids, MN, and 100 each to Essentia Health Center and St. Luke's Hospitals in Duluth, MN. The Caring for Life Center had several pregnant mothers with multiples at that time and were especially happy to get the "premie" hats.

Genny continues to knit more hats and many of these will be going to the Family Life Center in Hibbing and Virginia, MN. We look forward to continuing with this project as long as possible.

If anyone knows of a pro-life program that would be interested in receiving these hats, please notify one of our CDA members.

Kathy Bastianelli



" How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world."

Anne Frank

" Take the first step in faith. You don't have to see the whole staircase, just take the first step."

Martin Luther King, Jr.

State: www.mncda.com National: www.catholicdaughters.org Local Parish: www.rsjcatholic.org

Spiritual Enhancement

Greetings to all. At the start of our monthly meetings we have been saying prayers to help those affected by war and disasters, we hope that the war ends quickly and that God will help those affected.

We also have been sharing reflections about wisdom from the saints. These are coming from the book by Matthew Kelly "The wisdom of the Saints. A quote from the book explains that these are reflections and encounters of voices of the saints by sharing insights into how to live well, by giving their most inspiring wisdom for growing in virtue and their most powerful advice for stepping into the heart of God.

In October we heard from St Rose Philippine. She had great courage and prayerful determination. She was directly responsible for the Sacred Heart Education in North America. Her word of wisdom is Worry, "there are no difficulties except for those who worry too much about tomorrow."

We continue to pray for an end to abortion as directed from the last convention.

We are also encouraged to keep our seminarians in our prayers, that they continue their journey to become priests. My prayer is that they come to a full understanding of what it is to be a priest and to lead and guide the flock to Christ.



We are also encouraged to pray for our fellow CDA sisters. God bless all. Kate Skerjance

Message from your District Deputy

Dear CDA Sister's:

Another couple months have come and gone. Now we are entering into the holiday season. Thank you to everyone for a successful Financial Review. The new format takes a little more time, but with patience, it will get easier each time.

Please remember to go out to the National website and vote on changes to the ceremonial dress code. The site will be open until January.

I am asking for your prayers, for our sister court in International Falls. They lost a long time member Judy Potter back in June. She was their current Regent. They are going through some major changes, and could use some prayers.

As your District Deputy, if there is anything I can do for you please let me know. I am here for you, and willing to help in any way I can.

We all need to dig deep into our hearts to keep this organization alive. This Spring will be election of new officers. We will need people to step forward and take a leadership role. You are never alone as an officer, there are plenty of people to help you along the way. Please consider stepping up and taking an office.

Finally I would like to wish you all a Blessed Christmas season, full of family, friends, and lots of celebrating. Always remember the reason for the season. Also have a healthy, happy New Year.

God Bless, Dawn Barchus



Catholic Daughter's Faith and Family Dinner

It was 4 pm and the evening began with the Catholic Daughters sitting together for 4 pm Mass. At the Mass conclusion, parishioners made their way down to Resurrection Family Hall with festive autumn tables set with rust and brown placemats and a colorful fall scarecrow scene in a globe. Individual place cards were placed at each setting describing the Catholic Daughters and their mission and services. Father Babu and Father Boland were guests of honor. Father Babu recited grace. The 4" lasagna piece was complimented with an Italian salad and warm garlic bread.

Desserts included an array of fudge, lemon, crunchy, pumpkin and peanut bars. Cannoli's were an added bonus. On the cooler side, one could have a scoop of vanilla ice cream with an option for chocolate, strawberry, and caramel toppings. Chocolate candies, mini m&m's, peanuts, orange and chocolate confetti were an added final touch.

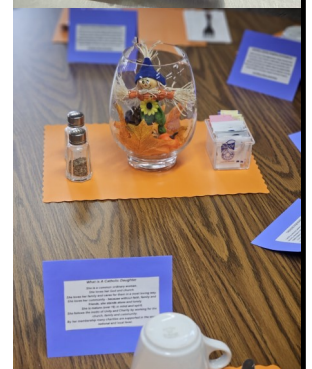
Children were entertained with a sunflower craft stating individual ways to be kind and colorful face painting. The evening ended with bingo games, a lasagna pan auction, and good will dessert boxes.

It was because of the support from both Resurrection and St. Joseph Parishes that the event was such a success. Over 100 attended the festivities.

Luan Gentilini



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Let's Keep Christ in Christmas

Let's keep the Christ in Christmas,
May Christ reign in our hearts;
It's all about the Son of God,
This Gift, God did impart.
When lowly shepherds heard the news,
They went to see the One—
The promised One of glory,
God's precious Son.
The Wise Men, too, saw the star and knew
A King was born that day.
They went to pay Him homage,
That Babe upon the hay.
Let's sing a song of Christmas
Full of joy and cheer.
The hope the earth has longed for
Has come in Christ, most dear.

Mary Ann Jameson

Pilgrims' Prayer

By Kathy Mansfield

The Pilgrims had a feast
On that first Thanksgiving Day;
As They honored God,
Here is what they prayed:
"Thank you for our safety
As we traveled to this land,
Thank you for the food
Given by your hand.

Thank you for the blessings
We know you will bestow,
Thank you for the seeds
You've given us to sow.

Thank you for our families,
Thank you for our friends,
Thank you God above
On Whom we all depend."

That Prayer is not so different
From the ones we say today,
As we remember all the Pilgrims
Who Helped to pave a way.

True Christian Christmas

Christmas isn't showy gifts
Or glittering decoration:
It's honoring our Savior, Jesus Christ
In humble adoration.

It's serving those less fortunate,
Meeting their needs before our own;
It's making sure at Christmas time
That no one is alone.

It's taking what we would have spent
On things that no one needs,
And using it to help someone
With service and good deeds.

Our Savior showed us how to live
With charity, faith and service.
It makes the holidays a joy,
More peaceful, and less nervous.

So let's remember Christmas is
About our Savior's birth;
That's the way to happiness,
The way to peace on earth.

Poem by Joanna Fuchs

Practice Jesus

If we practiced Jesus every way,
It'd be like Christmas every day;
If we, like Him, were meek and mild
And loved each woman, man and child,
If we'd read our Bible, it'd remind us,
So that every single day would find us
More and more in sweet accord
With our sweet Jesus— Master, Lord.
Then every day that we're alive
Would be like December 25.

By Joanna Fuchs

Ham Quiche

Submitted by Brigitte Karpik
From www.recipe-gallery.com

Servings: 8
Prep Time: 5 min
Gluten Free: No



Ingredients:

1 Jones Dairy Farm Ham Steak, cut into strips
1/2 Cup Red Bell Pepper, Cut into strips
1/2 Cup Asparagus, Chopped
1/3 Cup Leek, Sliced
1 Cup Shredded Swiss Cheese
2 TBS Flour
1 unbaked Pie crust fitted into a 9" pie plate
1 3/8 Cup Half & Half or Whipping Cream
4 eggs, Slightly beaten

Directions:

1 Preheat oven to 425 Degrees F.
2 Combine Ham, Pepper, asparagus, leek, cheese and flour: toss lightly.
3 Transfer Ham mixture to prepared pie crust.
4 Gently mix Half & Half and eggs, then pour egg mixture over Ham mixture.
5 Bake 10 minutes at 425F: reduce heat to 325F.
6 Continue baking 20 minutes or until done.

A big thank you to Marie Peterson for keeping one of the tradition of our Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court 1888 active. Presenting gifts of a rosary from the Daughters and a rose from the Knights of Columbus to the parents of newly baptized members of Resurrection church. And a touching message appreciating their choice of life and it's blessings. Her kind and gentle way is a treasure and most appreciated.

Brigitte Karpik



Support Our Seminarians (SOS)

This program continues to be a strong and powerful way to connect with the men who are discerning a priestly vocation, whether it be by personal communication or through prayers offered up for them.

This year we support four seminarians: Benjamin Eichten, Zavior Franck, Isaac Golen and David Ringhand. Please keep these young men in your prayers.

Shelly Kemp



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Gummi Bear Drive 2023

Court St. Margaret of Eveleth had another successful Gummi Bear Drive to support Habitat for Humanity.

We had 8 ladies who participated in our drive which included Resurrection Parish in Eveleth and St. Joseph's Parish in Gilbert. Our other venue was Crossroads in Iron where 2 of our ladies started our campaign in September and returned to finish it in October.

Our parishioners have been very generous and we were blessed to have beautiful autumn weather. Our total collected was \$725. Co-chairs Mary Debevec and Linnea Ryan



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"Things are beautiful if you love them."
Jean Anouilh

"For fast-acting relief, try slowing down."
Lily Tomlin

Message from the Editor

Hi ladies,

Wow what a busy fall it has been, things will quickly slow down when the weather starts cooling down, and that white stuff shows up.

I would like to apologize for the delay with the last newsletter, it came time to print and there was no news. Thank you to those who stepped up and wrote articles about the events going on, it takes everyone's help to get this newsletter out. Due to my husband's busy schedule, the articles need to be turned in early, so he has two weeks to get everything into the computer, can be proofread and corrections made. Due to the strict copyright laws on clip-art it takes a while to come up with pictures to fill spaces, everything has to be referenced as to what resource was used to get the pictures. This all takes time, so we need to have articles by the deadlines, if this newsletter is going to happen. We had glitches with the computer for the last newsletter, so things were delayed.

Thank you again for your help and support.

The next deadline will be February 10th, due to a short month.

We would like to wish you all a Blessed Thanksgiving, a Joyous Christmas, and a Happy health New Year, from our home to yours.

Thanks

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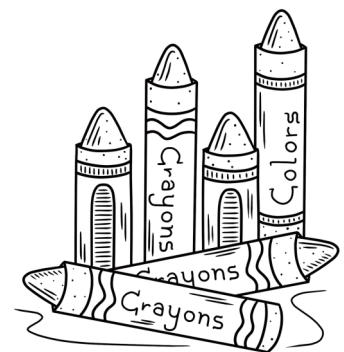


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Act Justly, Love Mercy, & Walk Humbly with Your God ... Micah 6:8

Let's Keep Christ in Christmas

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Happy Birthday!!

November

18 Theresa Lavigne
28 Luan Gentilini

December

3 Kathy Bastianelli
8 Victoria Emmons
13 Sharon Johnson
15 Angela Kemp
16 Eleanor Askew
22 Lynn Olson
24 Linnea Ryan
26 Kate Skerjance
31 Maureen Sader

January

9 Gisela Babich
10 Tina Deloria
18 Georgia Brown-Epp
28 Maria E. Anderson

February

16 Anita McNulty
22 Elaine J Vljajnich

March

29 Tracy Bentley
29 Euphie Bielejeski
30 Brigitte Karpik

Happy CDA Anniversary!!

November

Nancy Palo 1, 1967
Kate Skerjance 16, 2017

December

Victoria Emmons 9, 1995
Tracy Poloceck Bentley 11, 2014
Marie Peterson 16, 2004
Janine Lavigne 18, 2008
Rose Ann Chinn 18, 2008

January

Georgia Brown-Epp 21, 2010
Mary Jane Stanaway 21, 2010
Maureen Sader 24, 2013
Elaine J Vljajnich 31,

February

Deborah Vito 1, 1984
Brigitte Karpik 27, 2020

March

Marjorie Olson 22, 1990

Calendar of Events

November

November 2: All Souls' Day
November 7: Election Day
November 11: Veteran's Day
November 15: Meeting 1PM
Memorial Service for Deceased
Members, Annual Charitable donations
November 23: Thanksgiving

December

December 3: Advent Begins
December 7: Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
December 8: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
December 8: Hanukkah
December 12: Our Lady of Guadalupe
December 13: Meeting and Christmas Party "The Rink"
December 24: Christmas Eve
December 25: Christmas Day
December 31: New Years Eve

Calendar of Events

January

January 1: New Years Day
January 1: Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
January 8: Baptism of the Lord
January 8: End of Christmas Season
January 15: Martin Luther King Jr Day
January 17: Meeting 1PM/Quilt Drawing
Birthright Baby Shower

February

February 14: Ash Wednesday
February 14: St. Valentine's Day
February 19: Presidents Day
February 21: Meeting 1PM
Education Contest deadline

March

Soup Supper
Easter Projects
Nominating Committee Selection
March 10: Daylight Savings Time
March 20: Meeting 1PM
March 17: St. Patrick's Day
March 19: St. Joseph's Day
March 24: Palm Sunday
March 28: Maundy Thursday
March 29: Good Friday
March 30: Holy Saturday
March 31: Easter Sunday

April

April 24: Meeting 1PM

May

May 12: Ascension of Jesus
May 12: Mothers Day
May 15: Meeting 1PM
May 19: Pentecost
June

June 2: Feast of Corpus Christi
June 14: Flag Day
June 16: Fathers Day
June 19: Meeting 1PM
June 18: CDA Instituted in 1903



Sunshine

Please Let Shelly Kemp
know of any illnesses,
passing of members or
members who need

prayers!

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Meetings

Meetings are held at
the Resurrection
Church, Eveleth, in
the lower level
classroom

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