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This 'n That...

Margaret T. Giordano, State Regent

You are the salt of the earth... You are the light of the world...

—Matthew 5:13-16





I pray that you are all having a safe and blessed summer, and that you are able to keep cool, hydrated and comfortable.

We are all here to do God's Will, but sometimes we need to just listen to Him—in silence, in prayer, in what others say. So, when we are not feeling energetic to do a bunch of things, perhaps it is meant for us to have that time to open our hearts and minds to hear what God is telling us.


During June, we celebrated Flag Day, Father's Day and Priest Appreciation Day, and in July we celebrated the birth of our country. Let us truly honor and pray for all fathers, all priests, and all who serve and lead our country, one nation under God!


By now:


 Hurray! National has received all 2025 Spring Dues from our PA local courts! Most PA State Spring Dues 2025 are paid, but some are still outstanding. I know some courts don't meet in the summer months, but these should have been paid in May and no vote was needed to pay dues. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns regarding this.

 Most Spring 2025 Local Court Financial Reviews have been sent to the National Office, State Secretary Pam Callahan, and me, State Regent Margaret T. Giordano. These, too, were due in May, and I understand that sometimes circumstances come up. I have been in touch with the few that are still needed, so thank you for your co-operation.

 Now you can also access our new state website, www.cda-pa.org, from the CDA national website! Just go to www.catholicdaughters.org, select State Contacts at the top of the page, then select Pennsylvania. At the bottom of the chaplain and officers' information, and how many courts we have, select Pennsylvania State Court Website!

 So far, at least two of our eight Pennsylvania Dioceses have started Seven Sisters Apostolate groups to pray for your bishops and some priests/chaplains. Please inform me as your diocese starts one.

 Special Court Anniversary Celebrations—Thank you to all courts who have informed me of your court celebration date, so I can mark my calendar. As of now, I have three in my calendar; I look forward to celebrating these special events! I attend whenever possible. In the event I cannot make it, I will send another officer in my place. I look forward to hearing from more courts, too!

 Diocesan Meetings and Events—As of now, I have one diocesan event in my calendar and cannot wait to attend. Please notify me of these dates ASAP. I try to be present at least once in two years! If I cannot physically attend, I will be there with you in prayer and spirit! Remember that CDA is all about Spirituality and Service and Unity and Charity. —Email Margaret T. Giordano: margarettgiordano.cdapa@gmail.com

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.

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"Workshop Highlights"

Margaret T. Giordano, State Regent

My Dear Pennsylvania CDA Sisters,

This July, I had the opportunity and pleasure of attending and learning at the CDA State and Territorial Courts Conference in Scottsdale, Arizona. I was at the Franciscan Renewal Center, and when I checked the temperature and weather on my phone, it said I was in "Paradise Valley." Yes, it's hot in Arizona in July, but two years ago, it was 117 degrees, and this year the high temperatures ranged from 89 to 105 degrees. It WAS HOT, but not humid like in PA, and during the day, we were mostly indoors in the air conditioning...I often needed to wear jackets inside!

This workshop, represented by officers from courts all across the USA and Puerto Rico, was so enchanting and stimulating to me. THANK YOU to all the efforts and preparation from the National Board—Regent Susan Moné', the National Officers and Directors, National Office Manager Martha Hamboussi, SHARE/Website Manager Tom Panas, and all participants, asking questions and sharing ideas! We all learn from one another!

One topic, JCDA, echoed my suggestion from the last newsletter that we start at least one JCDA court in each of the eight dioceses in PA! This could eventually be a big help in keeping up membership.

Spirituality was a motivating force in this workshop with Masses, music and song, rosaries and prayer breaks. National Chaplain Eric Villa, and other participating chaplains, not only celebrated Masses with us, but they encouraged us with their thoughtful homilies and prayers.

Our Pennsylvania Court received three Education Contest Awards from National—one 1st place, one 2nd and one 3rd, as well as two Newsletter Contests Awards.

We enjoyed delicious food in the dining room! I especially enjoyed sitting, not only with my PA State Board members and National Director Peggy Guckin (also my wonderful travel partner and roommate), but also with a variety of other National Officers and attendees.

We have so many things to pray for...Each day, I pray for you; please pray for me, too! In Unity and Charity, and God be with you.



Chance Meeting After Mass

After attending Saturday Mass at my parish church, St. Anthony of Padua, in Lancaster, on June 22, I was happily surprised to see two of our CDA ladies from Court St. Martin #418 of the Diocese of Scranton, Judy Poltanis and Linda Malinoski.

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Jubilee Year 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope ends January 6, 2026. If you visit a designated holy site, you can obtain a plenary indulgence by meeting the following conditions within twenty days. Go to confession, receive Holy Communion and pray for the Pope's intention. This could be an Our Father, Hail Mary, Pope Francis' Jubilee Prayer or any other suitable prayer.

A small group of thoughtful people could change the world—Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has. —Margaret Mead



Human Trafficking

Margaret T. Giordano, State Regent

At the PA State Convention in April, Debra Andreas, Regent of Court Immaculate Conception #2454 of the Diocese of Erie, discussed with me the recent article in *SHARE* Magazine about human trafficking and her concerns about how we may be able to help these victims in PA. Debra then wrote an article for our Summer *Angelus*.

On the evening of May 20, I joined the PA Catholic Conference and NJ Catholic Conference on a Zoom presentation of The Dangers of Human Trafficking to learn more about how the Catholic Church fights to end human trafficking, the modern-day slavery.

The next day, I received an email from the Diocese of Harrisburg about Regional Human Trafficking Awareness Events offered in my diocese. I registered to attend the June 9 seminar at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Lancaster. Then I contacted Debra to let her know about the Zoom presentation I had joined and that I had signed up for a seminar. I sent her the information for all the upcoming presentations. Wow! The next day she told me that the best one for her to attend was the same one I was going to and that she had also registered.

Let's pray for all the victims of Human Trafficking—sex and labor trafficking and for an end to this exploitation.

Loving Father,

We seek your divine protection for all who are exploited and enslaved.
For those forced into labor, trafficked into sexual slavery, and denied freedom.

We beseech you to release them from their chains.

Grant them protection, safety, and empowerment.

Restore their dignity and provide them a new beginning.

Show us how we might end exploitation by addressing its causes.

Help us reach out in support of victims and survivors of human trafficking.

Make us instruments of your spirit for their liberation.

For this we pray through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen. (USCCB)

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FINANCIAL REVIEW CHECKLIST

✠ **Financial Reviews** are to be completed twice annually in the months of April and October.

✠ Completed Financial Reviews are to be sent in the months of May and November.

✠ Your District Deputy or Area Supervisor must be present for at least one Financial Review per year.

✠ Use the current Financial Review Form on the National website.

✠ Check the correct boxes for the current review and complete the current years at the top of the page.

✠ Insert your current number of court members at the top of the page.

✠ Write the court meeting day of the month; i.e. 1st Monday or 3rd Sunday.

✠ Include Special State Court Projects. When you send the state dues payment, \$5 goes to Special State Court Projects, so you should have no less than \$5 there!

✠ Write the Financial Review Completion Date on the appropriate line.

✠ If present, the District Deputy or Area Supervisor signs on the appropriate line.

✠ Three members of the Financial Review Committee sign on the appropriate lines.

✠ Make four copies of the completed Financial Review.

✠ Send the original completed form to the CDA National Office in New York.

✠ Send a copy of the completed form to:

✓ State Regent

✓ State Secretary

✓ District Deputy or Area Supervisor

✠ NOTE: National and State will also accept emailed documents.

✠ Keep a court copy for your records and for when doing the next Financial Review.

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State and Territorial Courts Conference



Lisa McCann, 1st Vice State Regent

I was privileged to attend the State and Territorial Courts Conference held from July 17-20 in Scottsdale, Arizona for education, discussions and networking with State Officers from around the country.

The national officers and national directors were well prepared and provided outstanding training for the offices of state and local regents; state and local vice regents; state secretaries; state treasurer and training district deputies.

Scholarships and contest awards were announced which included several Education Contest winners from Pennsylvania and our State newsletter, *The Angelus* as a first-place winner!

Presentations included Bylaws, Family, Membership, Ceremonials and Protocol, Conflict Resolution and other important topics which we, the Pennsylvania state officers, will be able to utilize to train our state's own local court officers.

The location in Scottsdale, the Franciscan Renewal Center, known as "The Casa," is a Catholic retreat center and an ideal place for our training. Although a "little" bit warm in mid-July, we were aflame by the many spiritual sessions, the daybreak rosaries and daily Masses.

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Time to Put on Your Running Shoes!

Susan Moné, National Regent, PA National Supervisor

Greetings to my PA sisters,



It seems like I was just there for your convention and yet it has been four months. It was a wonderful convention, and I was so pleased to be there and get to meet so many of you.

Since the convention, your new state officers have been very busy at work—planning. In July, your officers attended the State and Territorial Courts Conference in Scottsdale. It was nice to have the time

spent with the officers and hear about some of their plans. And the weather co-operated, so that it was a nice week in Arizona.

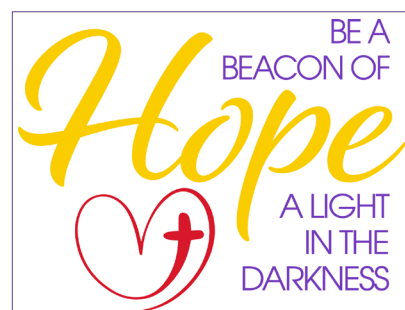
Hopefully, you have had a fun summer wherever it took you, or just relaxing at home. The weather has been a roller coaster all around our country this summer, but I hope that didn't affect your enjoyment with family and friends.

As fall approaches for all of us, it's time to put on your running shoes to get ready to plan your local courts' events and ministries in which you will be serving the Lord, being His hands and feet. Remember that all that you do, you do in the name of the Lord. You may be the only person or persons to show care and compassion to those in most need. Those who feel hopeless, alone, or suffering. See the face of Jesus in the eyes of those you encounter each day. Live the Beatitudes in your ministries and actions in Unity and Charity.

Begin each meeting or event with prayer. Our CDA purpose is Spirituality and Service. Always start with the spirituality and then the Holy Spirit will guide you to the service.

Make plans for those members who are unable to be active in the court with communications by phone, cards/notes, your newsletters, and best of all, visit them, so these ladies who worked hard in the court when they were able to will know they are still a part of the court. When they feel like they can't do anything, some may be able to bake, and they are awesome prayer warriors. Thank you for all you do for CDA and know you are in my daily prayers.

—Email Susan Moné: nationalregent28@gmail.com



State and Territorial Courts Conference in Arizona

Jeanette Kitch, 2nd Vice State Regent



Hello Ladies,

I just came back from a training workshop. We learned about all the officers' positions, bylaws, Robert's Rules, Tools of the Trade, protocol and Parliamentary Procedures. I like going to training because you always learn something new—for instance, where to get the forms, how to fill them out and, most importantly, where you mail them and when to send them in a timely manner. Everything you need to know is on the National website, but going to training you get to talk to others. You get to learn and see how other officers do the same job and ask questions. Remember, no question is dumb; if you don't ask it, someone else will and you will be glad they did. You

get to talk to many officers just like yourself and make new friends. Our three days of training were filled with daily Mass, prayers, confession, training and fun. The food was excellent, the evenings were filled with pool time, games or just visiting with others. There were 135 ladies present, from Alaska to Puerto Rico and all over the US. We had a great time! God Bless.

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Arizona is HOT, HOT, HOT!

Pam Callahan, State Secretary

As some of you may have seen on our Facebook page, I posted some pictures from when Jeanette and I went exploring at the Franciscan Renewal Center in Arizona where we went for the National CDA State and Territorial Officers Workshop. It was so hot outside, 107 degrees to be exact. There was a bit of a breeze, it was a warm breeze, but a breeze nevertheless.



Choir Saturday evening: Susan Mone, Pam Callahan and Connie Dronette

We visited the Labyrinth made of stone, said the Jubilee Pilgrimage prayer, saw a few of the stations of the outdoor Way of the Cross, outdoor gathering spaces and the mediation chapel, sat down, and talked about the Renewal Center and what a peaceful place it was. I really enjoyed the daily Rosary that we joined in to pray every morning before breakfast. My highlight was being able to sing with our National Regent, Susan Mone' and 1st Vice National Regent, Connie Dronette for Saturday evening Mass which made my day! I love to lift my voice in song for the Lord!

Our main purpose in going to Arizona was met and then some. We learned a lot of information during the workshop—it was a spiritual, refreshing and educational event, and we met many other officers from across this great nation. We exchanged phone numbers and ideas that I hope to put to good use in the future. I have already tried to implement some of them with the new private Facebook group, PA Catholic Daughters of the Americas, and our new website www.cda-pa.org. Please check them out and if you have any feedback, please let me know. I will do the best I can to accommodate.

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I'm where I need to be...

Michelle Russo, State Treasurer



When I was re-elected in April as PA State Treasurer, I was looking forward to attending the State and Territorial Courts Conference in Arizona in July. Fast forward to June, my husband's total knee replacement surgery became my priority. Much to my dismay, I had to cancel my travel plans with Peggy Guckin, National Director. In addition, I had to forgo the camaraderie of the Catholic Daughters meetings, Masses, meals and prayers! How I longed to be part of all that and hoped that maybe I could squeeze the trip in; but no such luck.

Instead, I was homebound and became the chief cook, bottle washer, and nurse! Meals for the two of us, two dogs and a cat, water the garden twice a day, wash clothes, take out the trash, sort out the meds, and chauffeuring him to doctor appointments became my routine. Now it's August and he still cannot drive, but he's not using a walker or cane, and has therapy two times a week. Stairs are still tough but he is progressing very well. When this knee is all healed, then it will be time to replace the other knee and a shoulder. As much as I would love to trade this for a Catholic Daughters function, I'm where I need to be... home with my husband of 34 years!

On the horizon, I'm looking forward to my court's Catholic Daughters meetings starting up again in September, an in-person State Board meeting...and another knee surgery for my husband.

Take care ladies, may God continue to bless you and keep you safe.

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Court Chatter

GREENSBURG DIOCESE

*Court Uniontown #505, Uniontown
105th Anniversary*

Court Uniontown #505 celebrated the 105th anniversary of their May 23, 1920 charter with Mass and dinner on July 12, 2025.



Left to right: Nikki L. Meglis, District Deputy; Donna Mehalek, Recording Secretary; JoAnn Coppolino, Vice Regent; Paulminia Rawlings, Regent; Darlene Centofanti, Financial Secretary; Carletta Fronczek, Treasurer; and Father Anthony J. Klimko, Pastor and Administrator

PHILADELPHIA ARCHDIOCESE

*Court St. Ephrem #2230, Bensalem
Caring for Friends – Breakfast Bags*

Court St. Ephrem #2230 packed over 200 Breakfast Bags for Caring for Friends. Bags included items of instant oatmeal, breakfast bars, tea bags, boxes of juice and crackers.



Left to right: Dolly Maronski, Carol Parsons, Nora Shapiro, Peggy Guckin, Kathy MacElroy and Leanne Marie Morrissey-Schneider

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*There are angels near you to guide you and protect you,  
if you would but invoke them. It is not later  
than we think, it is a bigger world than we think.  
—Fulton Sheen*

## PHILADELPHIA ARCHDIOCESE



CDA Philadelphia court members attend minor league baseball game, relaxing, before “putting on shoes” for start of fall meetings

## PITTSBURGH DIOCESE

*Court Bellevue #655, Bellevue  
Education Contest Winners*

Court Bellevue #655 recently presented our court's Education Contest awards to six deserving students at Northside Catholic Academy and eight deserving students at Bishop Canevin High School. The students submitted poetry, essay, art and photography entries. All students who placed receive a certificate and monetary award. All first-place winners have moved on to the State level with their submissions under consideration for the National Contest! (Two of the students from Bishop Canevin, unfortunately, were absent from school when we presented the awards and are not pictured.)





## National News

*Peggy Guckin*

*National Chairman Projects and Charities*

*National Representative for New Jersey*

### Habitat for Humanity Groundbreaking Ceremony

The State of New Jersey and CDA members of NJ support a third build in the state. Their goal is to support a build in each of the five dioceses.

This house will be in Mt. Olive Township, Morris County. The State Regent, Theresa Dieterich and Second Vice State Regent, Philomena Milano, NJ members, National Director, Peggy Guckin, PA State Treasurer, Michelle Russo, and many other supporters attended the ground breaking of this project on July 24th.



On this lot of land, there will be seven single family homes. The houses will have two to four bedrooms, central air and the homes will be accessible and adaptable. The township has received 5,000 applicants for the affordable homes. The homeowner families will be randomly selected from qualified applicants who attend a Program Information meeting and meet state income qualifications.

—Email Peggy Guckin: [mmg721@aol.com](mailto:mmg721@aol.com)

## “Fun D” Winners

### June 9 – June 14, 2025

June 9 - \$30 - Rosemary S., Devils Lake, ND

June 10 - \$30 - Katie R., Florenceville, TX

June 11 - \$30 - Amy M., Coudersport, PA

June 12 - \$30 - Vanessa O., Darrow, LA

June 13 - \$30 - Bradley F. & Boys, Caledonia, MN

June 14 - \$100.00 - \*Patricia K., Tillamock, OR

\*\$100 Father's Day Winner!

## National Charities Disaster Relief Fund

The Catholic Daughters maintain a Disaster Fund to which our members contribute. At the request of the State Regent where a disaster occurs, monetary assistance is forwarded to the bishop of that diocese for distribution. The National Board immediately sends \$5000 to that diocese. In July, a request once again was sent out by our National Regent, Susan Moné, to the court regents for assistance to help Texas with the devastation from the floods. CDA members and courts have always been very generous. Keep in your prayers all those affected by tragic disasters across our country and especially many lost souls and their families, that the Lord will Hold them in the "Palm of His Hands." Send your donations to State Secretary Pam Callahan.

**New Charity—Victory Junction**, as of July 18, 2025, located in North Carolina, for children with serious medical conditions. Free from the confines of disease, illness or disability, children discover that they can just be kids! How does this happen? Victory Junction is a medically safe, yet exhilarating camp, that challenges children who have a serious medical condition to try things they never imagined possible. As they conquer activities like zip lining and archery or experience bowling, fishing or swimming, children build confidence that will shape how they view the rest of their lives.

## There IS Evidence for God...

**The Pennsylvania**

### March for Life 2025

**Monday, September 22, 2025**

**State Capitol, Harrisburg, PA**

**Rally Time: 11:00 a.m.**

**March Time: 12:00 p.m.**

**Event Duration: 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**



Join to support the cause and participate in this important event! Remember, pro-life and pro-death policy is now decided on each state level. We, as Catholic Daughters, need to have our voices heard by our state legislators and representatives. Make plans now to take off work and find a bus going to Harrisburg on September 22, 2025. Gather with your CDA sisters at the top of the rally steps at 11 a.m.

**Help Pregnant Women!** Nearly 350,000 women have been served by Pennsylvania's Pregnancy and Parenting Support Services program. But now, the Governor has canceled the Commonwealth's contract with the award-winning Real Alternatives, which administers the program. Please send a message now to your state lawmaker to restore funding to this critical project!

—PAProLife.org/legislation





| 2025 State Convention Tombola Winners |                        |                                |                       |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Item #                                | Winner's Name          | Item                           | Donated by            |
| 1                                     | Debbie Bonwell         | CDA Lawn Flag                  | Shirley Hall, PSR     |
| 2                                     | Annamaria Trombetta    | Scentsy Candlewarmer, etc      | Ct 448                |
| 3                                     | Gayle Noll             | Chocolate & Bailey's           | Laraine McGinnis, PSR |
| 4                                     | Deb Andreas            | Ave Maria Rosary, Mugs         | Ct 932                |
| 5                                     | Lori Campbell          | \$50 Visa Gift Card            | Ct 2230               |
| 6                                     | Annamaria Trombetta    | CDA Scarf                      | Shirley Hall, PSR     |
| 7                                     | Dolores Croyle         | \$25 Bath & Body GC, Handsoap  | Ct 111                |
| 8                                     | Mary Norgrove          | 2 State Calendars, Wine        | State Officers        |
| 9                                     | Jeanette Kitch         | Blanket, Book, Mary Statue     | Jeanette Kitch, 2VSR  |
| 10                                    | Sandra Trejos          | CDA Shirt, Wallet, Angel Visor | Ct 1651 Members       |
| 11                                    | Annamaria Trombetta    | Adult Easter Basket            | Ct 2454               |
| 12                                    | Mary Dively            | CDA Quilt                      | Ct 1755               |
| 13                                    | Kathe' Sobczak         | Lottery Tickets                | Ct 2625               |
| 14                                    | Angela Basalla         | \$50 Cash                      | Ct 1651               |
| 15                                    | Sue Kelly              | \$50 Cash                      | Ct 1675               |
| 16                                    | Jeanette Kitch         | \$50 Home Depot Gift Card      | Ct 647                |
| 17                                    | Sandra Trejos          | \$50 Kohls Gift Card           | Ct 655                |
| 18                                    | Rosemary Hoge Newinger | \$50 Cash                      | Ct 890                |
| 19                                    | Teresa Bayly           | \$50 Cash, Wine                | State Officers        |
| 20                                    | Sandra Trejos          | \$50 Master Card Gift Card     | Pgh Diocesan Comm     |

## Tombola Winners

*Laraine McGinnis, Chairman*

There were 41 wonderful gifts, as always, and 30 winners (four won 2x, one won 3x and one won 6x). I am grateful to the ladies who stepped up in my absence: Nikki Meglis, Annamaria Trombetta, Mary Dively, Elaine Delozier.

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*Never be afraid to try something new.  
Remember, amateurs built the Ark...  
professionals built the Titanic.*

| 2025 State Convention Tombola Winners |                     |                                                                  |                   |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Item #                                | Winner's Name       | Item                                                             | Donated by        |
| 21                                    | Audrey Aubaugh      | \$50 Talbots Gift Card                                           | Peggy Guckin, PSR |
| 22                                    | Rita Negron Ramirez | Bath & Body                                                      | Ct 722            |
| 23                                    | Pat Phillips        | \$50 Cash                                                        | Ct 716            |
| 24                                    | Mary Ann Morley     | Relaxation Basket                                                | Ct 339            |
| 25                                    | Sarah Mastrull      | \$50 Amazon Gift Card                                            | Ct 860            |
| 26                                    | Karen Kearney       | Holy Family, Books, \$25 Cash                                    | Ct 759            |
| 27                                    | Annamaria Trombetta | Women of Grace, Moments with Mary                                | Ct 2521           |
| 28                                    | Laraine McGinnis    | Garden Basket                                                    | Ct 358            |
| 29                                    | Mary Norgrove       | Summer Time Basket                                               | Ct 2628           |
| 30                                    | Dolly Maronski      | Bucks County Wine                                                | Ct 1097           |
| 31                                    | Kathe' Sobczak      | \$50 Cash, Easter Flowers                                        | Ct 523            |
| 32                                    | Rita Negron Ramirez | \$50 Amazon Gift Card                                            | Ct 2617           |
| 33                                    | Chris Curto         | \$50 Giant Gift Card, Wine                                       | Ct 1336           |
| 34                                    | Annamaria Trombetta | Faith Basket                                                     | Ct 911            |
| 35                                    | Kathleen Rodgers    | Rose Table Runner                                                | Ct 2766           |
| 36                                    | Judy Poltanis       | Lancaster County Goodies: Chocolate, Pretzels, Amish Pot Holders | Ct 1023           |
| 37                                    | Georgine Bogovich   | Crock Pot, Buffet Server                                         | Ct 2222           |
| 38                                    | Margaret Novak      | \$50 Cash                                                        | Ct 998            |
| 39                                    | Lisa McCann         | My Apothecary                                                    | Ct 353            |
| 40                                    | Sue Ronan           | Hand Crafted Wooden Bowl                                         | Ct 66             |
| 41                                    | Annamaria Trombetta | Tupperware                                                       | Ct 418            |

## FALL 2025 REMINDERS

### OCTOBER

National Dues invoices will be sent to your court regent.

State Dues invoices will be sent to local court regents. (Note: This is the first time dues will reflect the increase voted on at the 2025 State Convention.)

Semi-annual Financial Reviews are to be completed. Please make use of my new Financial Review Checklist.

October 19, 2025 is CDA Sunday!

### NOVEMBER

National Dues are due to the National Office. (Remember: No court vote is necessary to pay dues.)

State Dues are due to State Secretary Pam Callihan. (Remember: No court vote is necessary to pay dues.)

Completed Financial Reviews are due to the National Office. Copies are to be sent to the State Regent, State Secretary, District Deputy and/or Area Supervisor. Also keep a court copy for your records and for the Spring Financial Review.

### **May Lottery Winners**

Ann Thome  
Diane Mahoney  
Alan Mongelluzzo  
Susan Hutchins  
Christine A. Surovec  
Jon Kocher  
Chris Shrift  
Buddy Berish  
Nancy Lebano  
Nancy Kilpatrick  
Mae A. Spain  
Tim Caldana  
Camille Jasper  
Mary Jane Davidson  
Mary Selway  
Heather Goldsmith  
Ct. Ave Maria #399  
Tony Mongelluzzo  
Karen Pipta  
Gavin Fox  
Joyce Pequignot  
Judy Kosar  
Virginia S. Rhoa  
Geraldine Dreese  
Heather Goldsmith  
Theresa O'Donnell  
Karen Bergman  
Anna McMaster  
Louise Summerville\*  
Shirley Kuszajewski  
Cheryl Wilkins

\*\$100 Winner

### **May Selling Court**

Roses of Mary #2766  
Sylvia Fox  
PSR Margaret Novak  
Callistus #66  
Rev. Patrick McArdle #448  
IPSR Shirley Hall  
Our Lady of Alleghenies #1755  
Prince Gallitzin #2625  
SR Margaret T. Giordano  
Easton #358  
Mystical Rose #2628  
St. Gerard Majella #2751  
St. Theresa #562  
Rev. Patrick McArdle #448  
Queen of Peace #1023  
Ave Maria #650  
Ave Maria #399  
PSR Margaret Novak  
Rev. Patrick McArdle #448  
Sylvia Fox  
Easton #358  
SO Lisa McCann  
Our Lady of Victory #722  
Rev. Patrick McArdle #448  
Ave Maria #650  
St. Veronica #111  
Mystical Rose #2628  
SR Margaret T. Giordano  
Our Lady of Victory #722  
Conception #35  
SO Lisa McCann

### **June Lottery Winners**

Elizabeth Ames  
Jean Hessler  
Paulminia Rawlings  
Marg Steele  
Elizabeth Fox  
Pauline Coughlin  
Chris Shrift  
Barbara Krug  
Erica Vangor  
Joan Petrovich  
Mary Louise Evans  
Sylvia Fox  
Bob Hild  
Sue Pfeil  
Kathleen Byron  
Lori Serafin  
Kayla Basalla  
Kathleen O'Rourke  
Barb Miller  
Diane Eaise  
Robert Walter\*  
Megan Fonagy-Snyder  
Ralph Rich  
Collette Mc Caffrey  
Msgr. Francis Karwacki  
Susan O'Neil  
Annamaria Trombetta  
Dolores Croyle  
Victoria Gilbert  
Sue Dougherty

\*\$100 Winner

### **June Selling Court**

St. Thomas #1483  
Ave Maria #399  
Uniontown #505  
St. Marys #95  
Sylvia Fox  
Easton #358  
Our Lady of Alleghenies #1755  
St. Marys #95  
St. Gerard Majella #2751  
St. James #1029  
Easton #358  
Sylvia Fox  
St. Ephrem #2230  
St. Ephrem #2230  
Monessen #776  
Blessed Madonna #2521  
St. Rita #523  
Our Lady of Victory #722  
St. Thomas #1483  
Sylvia Fox  
Margaret Giordano  
Westinghouse #759  
Lambing #314  
St. Dominic #2222  
Our Lady of Victory #588  
St. Thomas #1483  
Our Lady of Alleghenies #1755  
Patricia #998  
St. Ephrem #2230  
St. Dominic #2222

### **July Lottery Winners**

Lucille Kaukaras  
Mr George Rumbol  
Barbara Kozar  
Jeannette Lidey  
Dolores Croyle  
William & Jamie Bordell  
Jeannette Lidey  
CarolAnne Ferreira  
Laraine Mc Ginnis  
Virginia Rhoa  
Mary Smereczniak  
John Dombrosky  
Georgiann Anderson  
Theresa Deckard  
Barb Miller  
Maria Pitonyak  
Barbara Byerly  
Sue Kelly  
Sue Ronan  
Dawn Gier  
Dolly Glowacki  
Bryan Fox  
Mary & Mike Marzen  
Hope Murnyack  
Mary Kowalski  
Stacey Daniele\*  
Donna Hoover  
Aaron Sallade  
Deborah Fox  
Sylvia Fox  
Josh Narisetti

\*\$100 Winner

### **July Selling Court**

St. Martin #418  
Sylvia Fox  
St. Theresa #562  
Lambing #314  
Patricia #998  
Easton #358  
Lambing #314  
Queen of Peace #1023  
Washington #1651  
Our Lady of Victory #722  
Monessen #776  
Lisa McCann  
St. Marys #890  
Our Lady of Victory #722  
St. Thomas #1483  
Lambing #314  
Butler #443  
Columbia #2  
St. Rita #523  
St. Leo #356  
Lambing #314  
Sylvia Fox  
Ryan #911  
St. Gerard Majella #2751  
Our Lady of Alleghenies #1755  
Bellevue #655  
Prince Gallitzin #2625  
St. Rita #523  
Sylvia Fox  
Sylvia Fox  
Rev. Patrick McArdle #448

### **Franciscan Renewal Center with New Jersey State Officers**



*Loretta Zinner, New Jersey First State Regent;  
Peggy Guckin, Margaret Giordano,  
Pam Callahan, Jeanette Kitch, Nanci Bachman, Secretary  
and Philomenia Milanov, Second Vice State Regent*



*Peggy Guckin, Margaret Giordano, Pam Callahan,  
Jeanette Kitch and Lisa McCann*



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The Mass is offered at Misericordia Chapel, York, Pennsylvania  
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Proceeds benefit the Pontifical North American College in  
Rome, helping the Seminarians who are studying there.

For: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_

Intention: \_\_\_\_\_

Revised: 12/17/23

**Happy 115th Anniversary!**

**Court Conception #35**

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

**Happy 110th Anniversary!**

**Court Annunciata #260**

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

**Happy 105th Anniversary!**

**Court St. Rita #523**

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

**Happy 4th Anniversary of Ordination!**

**Father Michael Pleva**

Requested by: Regent Amy Brisbin  
Court St. Rita #523

**Happy Birthday!**

**Dana Hummel, Sister-in-Law**

**Bob Sultzbach, Husband**

**Scott Sultzbach, Brother-in-Law**

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

**Margaret T. Giordano**

**Recording Secretary Susan Sharer**

**Chaplain Father Luis Rafael Rodriguez**

**Member Adele Ruszak**

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

**Happy Father's Day!**

**All CDA Fathers**

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano  
CDA PA State Officers

**Priest Appreciation and Happy Father's Day!**

**All PA Bishops, State Chaplain Father Norbert  
and All Court Chaplains**

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers and Members

**State Spiritual Intention Report**

This report shows the many people whom we have included in our Spiritual Intentions in June and July 2025. Donations are forwarded to the National office to benefit the North American Pontifical College in Rome and are much appreciated by the seminarians there. Please consider using our Intention cards in the future. **Send Spiritual Intentions to Margaret Giordano, State Regent. Her address is on the front page of this newsletter. Thank you!**

**In Appreciation/Priest Appreciation**

**Our Seven Priests & Three Deacons  
Who Faithfully Serve the Parishioners  
of St. James Parish in Washington, PA**

Requested by: Court Washington #1651

**Chaplain Father Luis Rafael Rodriguez  
& All Our Parish Priests**

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

**State Chaplain Father Norbert Suresh  
Father Deogratias Rwegasira  
Father Matthew Larlick**

**Father Luis Rafael Rodriguez**  
Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

**Congratulations on 25 Years of Faithful Service**

**Father John Lynam**

**Pastor of St. Rose of Lima, Altoona**

**Father Tom Lewandowski**

**Pastor of St. Matthew, Greene County**

Requested by: Court Washington #1651

**A Safe and Blessed Summer**

**All CDA Sisters, Chaplains, Family & Friends**

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano  
CDA PA State Officers

**A Safe and Successful Workshop!**

**CDA National Board and State  
and Territorial Officers**

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

**Gifts of the Holy Spirit**

**All CDA Officers and Members**

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

**O, Lord, Hear Our Prayers**

**St. Anthony's Prayer Warrior Intentions**

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano





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### **O, Lord, Hear Our Prayers**

#### **All Our Intentions**

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

### **Health & Blessings**

#### **Joyce Eckenrode**

Requested by: Court Joan of Arc #716

### **Complete Recovery**

#### **All Those Having Procedures, Surgeries and Treatments**

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano  
CDA PA State Officers

### **Successful Surgery**

#### **My brother, Tom Giordano**

#### **Dear friend, Celeste Eckman**

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

### **In Memory**

#### **My parents, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Giordano**

#### **My grandparents, Mr. & Mrs. Henry A. Horn**

#### **My sister, Sr. Mary Paul Giordano. DM**

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

#### **Spiritual Advisor Sr. Mary Paul Giordano, DM**

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

#### **All Our Departed Loved Ones and CDA Members**

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

### **Unity and Charity**

#### **All Catholic Daughters of the Americas**

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

### **Welcome!**

#### **New Member Mary Anater**

#### **New Member Lois Walborn**

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

## **Promise Yourself...**

To be strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.

To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet.

To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.

To think only the best, to work only for the best, and expect only the best.

To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.

To forget about the mistakes of the past and to press on to greater achievements of the future.

To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every person you meet a smile.

To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have not time to criticize others.

To be too big to worry and too noble for anger.

To be too strong for fear and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.

## **How to Count...**

Count your blessings instead of your crosses.

Count your gains instead of your losses.

Count your joys instead of your woes.

Count your friends instead of your foes.

Count your smiles instead of your tears.

Count your courage instead of your fears.

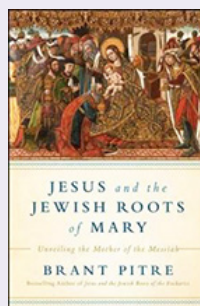
Count your full years instead of your lean.

Count your kind deeds instead of your mean.

Count your health instead of your wealth.

Count on God instead of yourself.

— Author unknown



## **Catholic Daughters of the Americas Virtual Book Club**

All are welcome to join!

Every Monday for 6-8 weeks  
starting Monday, Sept. 15  
7:00 p.m. Eastern Time

**“Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary’  
Unveiling the Mother of the Messiah”  
by Brant Pitre**

For Zoom link or more information:  
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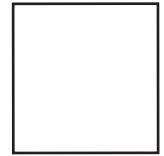
Facilitators: Fr. Erick Villa, Connie Dronette  
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