CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS
COURT COMPTON # 942
Compton, CA

"Unity & Charity"
September 2026 Newsletter

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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

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Court website: www.compton942.org
State website: www.californiacatholicdaughters.org
National website: www.catholicdaughters.org

MEETING TIMES

CDA MEETINGS
When: 2nd Sunday of the month
Where: OLV Annex or Cafeteria, 519 E. Palmer St., Compton, CA
Time: 10:30 am

JCDA MEETINGS
3rd Sunday of the month
Where: OLV Annex or Cafeteria, 519 E. Palmer St., Compton, CA
Time: 10:30 am

CDA ROSARY
When: 3RD Wednesday of Month
Where: Zoom
Time: 7:00 pm

CONGRATULATIONS: 2026-2028 NATIONAL OFFICERS



REGENT'S SEPTEMBER MESSAGE

Dear Sisters in Unity,

I trust this message finds you well.

While our daily responsibilities often demand that we prioritize the care of our homes and families, it is equally essential that we allocate time for our own well-being and renewal. I encourage each of you to take intentional moments to rest, whether by enjoying a peaceful walk or dedicating a day to relaxation and self-care.

May you continue to find strength and reassurance in trusting God's plan for your lives.

With my best wishes,

Your sister in Christ and Regent, Alicia Jeter

Sincerly
Maria A Jeter

COURT NEWS
Maria Alicia Jeter, Regent
www.compton942.org

ARCHDIOCESE COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (ACCW) ROSARY
When: Every Tuesday and Thursday nights
Where: 1-425-436-6200 Passcode 410510# (this is a free call)
Time: 8:00 PM (Pacific Time)

COURT COMPTON MEETING
When: September 13, 2026
Where: OLV Cafeteria
519 E. Palmer St., Compton, CA 90221
Time: 10:30 am

CDA ROSARY - SEPTEMBER
When: Wednesday, September 16, 2026
Where: New Zoom number - Meeting ID: 831 1828 9171 Passcode: 631507
Time: 7:00 pm
Leader: Alice Avery
Intention: **FOR THE CARE OF WATER**
Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

JCDA COURT MOTHER LUPITA MEETING
When: September 20, 2026
Where: OLV Annex
519 E. Palmer St., Compton, CA 90221
Time: 10:30 am

OUR LADY OF VICTORY RAFFLE TICKETS:

If you would like to support the church and purchase a book of tickets, please contact either Essie Preston @ 310-502-4875 cell or 562-404-7935 home or Yvette Manard @ 562-400-8079

STATE NEWS
Lorine Bakowsky, State Regent
www.Californiacatholicdaughters.org
Lorine's theme: "Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established. Proverbs 16:3

CA STATE REGENT OFFICE HOURS

When: 1st Thursday of each month (only exception is in January, office hours are Jan 8, 2026)
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Where: Zoom
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89702138529?pwd=NhOuZI10TM7BQ3X0INsLaW0uEUKIFP.1
Meeting ID: 897 0213 8529 Passcode: 629254

SAVE THE DATE: UNDERSTOOD & CONNECTED: WOMEN'S RETREAT
Emotional Connection Through The Blessed Mother's Support

When: Saturday, October 24, 2026
Where: Our Lady of Grace
5011 White Oak Ave.
Encino, CA
Time: 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Tickets: $15.00
*Free for non-CDA Women (18-40)
Contact: Debra Burley @ 818-219-8512
Hi.CDA.L.A.Info@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE:
2027 CALIFORNIA STATE CONVENTION
SACRAMENTO, CA

READ THE STATE RELEASES:

Release #73 – New 2nd Vice State Regent Appointment, Christine Stone
Release #72 – CDA National 2026-2028 New Officers
Release #71 – Resignation of Laura McQuoid, 2nd Vice State Regent
Release #70 – Appointment of 2nd Vice Regent
Release #69 – Appointment of Youth Circle of Love Chair
Release #68 - Resignation of 2nd Vice Regent
Release #67 – Formal Invitation Honoring Essie Walker
Release #66 – Officer's Training for 2026-2028 Term – District Deputy Responsibility
Release #65 – New District Deputies Assignments
Release #64 – Prayers Requested for State Chaplain and Myers Family

NATIONAL NEWS
Essie Walker, National Regent
www.catholicdaughters.org
Essie's theme: Serving Others Together in Peace, Joy, Unity & Charity

CONGRATULATORY MASS AND CELEBRAION BANQUET
MASS:
When: Saturday, September 12, 2026
Where: Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral
718 Nazareth Street, Raleigh, North Carolina 27606
Time: 5:00 PM Vigil Mass
BANQUET:
When: Saturday, September 12, 2026
Where: DoubleTree by Hilton Raleigh Durham Airport at RTP
4810 Page Creek Lane, Durham, North Carolina 27703
Time: 6:30 PM Banquet with No Host Bar
Reservations required, Meal reservation form attached
HOTEL:
When: September 11-12, 2026
Where: Doubletree by Hilton RDU at Research Triangle Park
4810 Page Creek Lane, Durham, North Carolina 27703
Phone: 1-800-445-8667 – reference block name (CDA – Essie Walker) or Group Code (EWC)
Online: https://group.doubletree.com/vpifvcq
Room Rate: $129.00 plus tax per night
Contact: Brenda Spizzo @ bspizzo@gmail.com or 919-491-0703 with questions

SAVE THE DATE: CDA MARCH FOR LIFE
When: Thursday – Sunday, January 21 – 24, 2027
Where: Washington, DC
Vigil Mass: Basilica of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception: Thursday, Jan. 21, 2027
National March Walk: Friday, January 22, 2027.
CDA host Hotel books fast, make reservations ahead of time:

Catholic Daughters Host Hotel:
Hampton Inn by Hilton
Washington – Downtown Convention Center
901 6th Street NW, Washington, DC 20001-2646
202-842-2500

WIN A GIRL'S TRIP TO CDA NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS
Trip includes: 4 Days & 3 Nights Stay at Grand Old Lady (Dorm style) in NYC for winner & 4 Guests
Total value of $6250.00: includes stay at the Grand Old Lady value of $1500.00)
= Broadway tickets for winner & 4 guests (value $1000.00)
= Travel vouchers for winner & 4 guests (value $2500.00)
= Food vouchers for winner & 4 guests (value $1250.00)
Due by: December 31, 2026
Winner drawn: January 22, 2027 at the March for Life in DC
Limit to 1200 entries
Donation: $50.00 per entry (checks or money orders only; no cash)

Payable: Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Mail to: Karin Dudash
1705 Tyler St., Altus, OK 73521
Dates: Trip must be taken by June 1, 2027
Guests must arrive on Thursday and leave on Sunday
Click and complete the entry form: New York Trip Entry 2026.pdf

SAVE THE DATE: 10 DAY ITALY PILGRIMAGE
When: November 8 – 17, 2027
Where: 10 Day Italy Pilgrimage
Cost: $5,990 Double occupancy price
$1,000 single occupancy supplement
Land only price: $5,100
Availability: 43 open
Contact: L.P. Pilgrimages
P.O. Box 2015, Lawrenceville, GA 30046

booking@Lpjp.org
Group departure airport: JFK -- if depart from an airport other than the default airport, when selecting your departure
airport during the booking process, the total price will be recalculated based on your selection)

Your pilgrimage includes:

- RT airfare from New York (JFK) to Rome (FCO) and return from Milan (MIL) to JFK
- Land transportation by deluxe private motor coach
- All taxes, fuel surcharges, and tips included
- Daily Hotel Breakfast & Dinners at local restaurants
- Entrance fees to all sites as per itinerary
- Daily Holy Mass
- Professional Catholic English-speaking guide throughout the pilgrimage
- Porterage service (one suitcase per pilgrim)

Check out the newest video about CDA: **https://catholicdaughters.org/videos**
Click on the link below to view the JCDA Retreat Video:
#loveyourselfie Retreat Video - Catholic Daughters of the Americas - New York, NY

SAVE THE DATE: 62ND BIENNIAL NATIONAL CONVENTION
JULY 26-30, 2028
SHERATON GREENSBORO AT FOUR SEASONS

MEMBERS PAGE

MEMBERSHIP

Do you know ladies who might want to joint our Court. We need new members with new ideas and new talents and willing to share their talents and gifts with us. Please invite someone to come sit at one of our meetings and their blessings will be many. For more information, please contact our membership chairmen:
Amparo Marez @ 310-594-9897
Yvette Manard @ 562-400-8079
Alicia Jeter @ 310-667-2395

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2	Elena August
9	Patty Gutierrez
18	Vanessa Chavarin
20	Alice Avery

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

7 Labor Day
8 Nativity of Mary
13 CDA Meeting
16 CDA Rosary
20 JCDA Meeting

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARYS

11	Carole Gilmore	21 years
11	Patty Gutierrez	10 years
8	Alicia Jeter	7 years
8	Amparo Marez	7 years
8	Maribel Lara	7 years
10	Rosa Cadena	3 years

DUES

The dues are $40.00 for the year. If you want to start paying your 2027 dues now, you may submit it to Francis. Please bring your money to our meeting or Please mail it to Francis at the below address:

Financial Secretary
Francisca Marez
11217 Barnwall St. #123
Norwalk, CA 90650
310-766-6876

SYMPATHY

La Verne Russeau's nephew

SEPTEMBER SAINTS CORNER

3	Saint Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor
5	Saint Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa)
8	The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary *Feast*
12	The Most Holy Name of Mary or Saturday memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary
14	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross *Feast*
15	Our Lady of Sorrows
16	Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs
17	Saint Robert Bellarmine, Bishop, Doctor or Saint Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin, Doctor
19	Saint Januarius, Bishop, Martyr or Saturday memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary
21	Saint Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist *Feast*
23	Saint Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), Priest
26	Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs or Saturday memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary
28	Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr or Saints Laurence Ruiz and his Companions, Martyrs
29	Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael
30	Saint Jerome

PRAYER CORNER

THE MEMORARE

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly to you, O Virgin of virgins, my mother. To you I come; before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful.

O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy, hear and answer me.

Amen

THE BEATITUDES

Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are those who mourn,
for they shall be comforted.
Blessed are the meek,
For they shall possess the earth.
Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for justice,
For they shall be satisfied.
Blessed are the merciful,
For they shall obtain mercy.
Blessed are the clean of heart,
For they shall see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers,
For they shall be called children of God.
Blessed are they who suffer persecution for justice's sake,
For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are you when men reproach you, and persecute you, and speaking falsely, say all manner of evil against you, for My sake.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

THE SALVE REGINA

Hail holy Queen, mother of mercy
Our life, our sweetness and our hope.
To You we do cry, poor banished children of Eve.
To you do we send up our sighs; mourning and weeping this valley of tears.
Turn then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy toward us, and after this exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus.

ANIMA CHRISTI

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
O good Jesus, hear me.
Within Thy wounds hide me.
Suffer me not to be separated from Thee.
From the malignant enemy, defend me.
In the hour of my death, call me.
And bid me come to Thee.
That with Thy sants I may praise Thee.
Forever and ever.

Amen

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the Sick, we turn to You in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with Your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden.

Dear God, we place our worries in Your hands. We place our sick under Your care and humbly ask that You restore Your servant to health again.

Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge Your holy will and know that whatsoever You do, You do for the love of us.

Amen

PRAYING THE ROSARY

Praying for ourselves, our families, our church, and for world peace.

#1 Ct. Compton #942 Rosary
When: 3rd Wednesday of the month
Time: 7:00 pm
Where: ZOOM
Meeting Id: 971 925 5126
Passcode: 825419

#2 ACCW ROSARY
Every Tuesday and Thursday
8:00 p.m. PST
Call in: 1-425-436-6200
410510#

#3 OUR LADY OF FATIMA
Every Sunday
7:45 p.m. PST
Call in: 1-425-436-6200
410510#

PRAYERS – Karen Jones

"Ask and it will be given to you, seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.

For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened." Matthew 7:7,8

MEMBERS:
Alice Avery and her family *(Jacob, Ontario, Frances, Danielle) Friend (Linda)*
Joan Braun and family *(Edwards & Paul's)*
Janet Castaneda and family *(Kathy)*
Bonita Carter
Elisapeta Fido
Maria Flores
Louise Harris
Carole Gilmore and husband *(Rodney)*
Sandra Koch
Amparo Marez and daughter
Doris Wilson and family
Nyah Wilson *(Doris's granddaughter))*
Terron Walton – Mama Dee's grandson
Suzette Martinez (Yvette's sister)
Pedro Gutierrez – Patty's father
CA Past State Regent Mary Beasley
CA Past State Regent Melody Ciaravino
CA Past State Regent Mary Bernard
Barbara Welch
Father Domingo
Father Stan Bosch
Deacon Alberto Reyes
Father Roberto Mena
Linda Wilson-Davis
Vanessa Simms Green (Bonita's sister)
Steve Bell – Dee's husband
Pat Smith – Bonita's cousin
Fr. Victor Ramos (priest at Sacred Heart)
Denise Gonzalez (sec. at Sacred Heart)
Eleanor Heithoff (Jo Bryant's granddaughter)
Shirley Creighton
Yvonne Connolly

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

MINISTERIO SAN JOSE YOUTH GROUP CALLED TO LIVE WITH FAITH, PURPOSE & JOY
When: Every Thursday
Where: Our Lady of Victory Church
School Cafeteria
519 E. Palmer St.
Compton, CA 90221
Time: 7:00 pm
Bring a friend and be part of our Youth Family

NOVENA AND ROSARY IN HONOR OF ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA
When: Novena and Rosary start daily: Aug. 27, 2026 – Sept. 4, 2026 @ 5:45 pm in church
Saturday: 5:00 pm in the library
Sunday: after 2:00 pm Holy Mass in the church
What: SOLEMN MASS @ 5:30 pm
When: Saturday, September 5, 2026
Where: St. Emydius Catholic Church
10900 California Ave.
Lynwood, CA 90262
Celebrant: Most Reverend Marc V. Trudeau

BLUE ARMY OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA PILGRIM STATUE VISIT
Sponsored by Legion of Mary, CDA Court Our Lady of Victory #1344 & Bible Study
When: August 29, 2026 thru September 5, 2026
Where: Saint James Catholic Church
415 Vincent Street
Redondo Beach, CA
Times: Sat. 8/29 = 2:00 pm – Procession of Our Lady of Fatima Pilgrim Statue
2:30 pm – Rosary
3:00 pm – Blue Army of Our Lady of Fatima discussion & Q&A
4:00 pm – Confession
Sun. 8/30 = 10:00 am Mass with Bishop Marc Trudeau
Blue Army onsite after each Mass
3:00 pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet
Mon. 8/31 = 8:00 am – Daily Mass with Rosary following
1st Fri. 9/4 = 12:00 pm – Daily Mass with Rosary following
Confession Tues after 8:00 am & Wed 12 pm Mass
Adoration Wednesday morning and Friday evening
1st Sat. 9/5 = 8:00 am – Daily Mass with Rosary following
First Saturday Devotion

JERICHO ADORATION
When: September 6-13, 2026 (starts after 11:00 am mass)
Where: St. Albert the Great Catholic Church
804 E. Compton Blvd.
Rancho Dominguez, CA 90220
Time: 8:00 am – 9:00 am English

OUR MOTHER, MANY PEOPLES MASS
When: Saturday, September 5, 2026
Where: Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels
555 W. Temple St.
Los Angeles, CA
Time: 9:30 am – Multilingual Rosary
10:00 am – Mass with Archbishop Jose H. Gomez

SAINT PETER CLAVER DAY
When: Sunday, September 6, 2026
Where: Church of the Transfiguration
2515 W. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90008
Time: 9:30 am – Processional
10:00 am Celebration of the Eucharist
11:30 am Luncheon and Fellowship
Celebrant: Archbishop Jose H. Gomez, Los Angeles, Archbishop Shelton J. Fabre, Louisville,
Bishop Matthew G.Elshoff, OFM Cap, Bishop Brian A. Nunes

VIRTUS' KEEPING THE PROMISE ALIVE (RECERTIFICATION ONLY)
When: Wednesday, September 9, 2026
Where: St. Philip Neri Catholic Church
4311 Olanda St.
Lynwood, CA 90262
Time: 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm (English Session)

ADORE HIM HE IS HERE – HOLLYWOOD EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION AND HOLY HOUR
Join LA Catholics in walking with Jesus
When: Wednesday. September 9, 2026
Where: Blessed Sacrament Church
6657 W. Sunset Blvd.
Hollywood, CA 90028
Time: 6:00 pm – Doors open
6:30 pm Gathering music
7:00 pm – Program
7:30 pm – Eucharistic procession through Hollywood
8:00 pm – Silent Eucharistic Adoration Holy Hour
Celebrant: Archbishop Jose Gomez, Archdiocese of Los Angeles
Fr. Paul Sustayta, Pastor, Blessed Sacrament, Hollywood
Dn. Steve Greco, Executive Producer, Adore Him, He Is Here

MARIACHI NIGHT CELEBRANDO CENA-BAILE (DINNER-DANCE)
When: Friday, September 11, 2026
Where: St. Philip Neri Catholic Church
4311 Olanda Street
Lynwood, CA 90262
Time: Cena (Dinner): 6:00 pm-7:00 pm; Musica y Baile (Music & Dance): 6:00 pm-11:00 pm
Cost: $40.00 per person

COURT OUR LADY OF VICTORY #1344 ANNUAL TEA PARTY
When: Saturday. September 19, 2026
Where: St. James School; O'Gorman Center
4625 Garnet St.
Torrance, CA
Time: 12:00 pm
Donation: $25.00
Contact: Lisa Malgeri at lisa_malgeri@yahoo.com

THE BEATIFICATION OF VENERABLE ARCHBISHOP FULTON J. SHEEN
You can watch the beatification of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen online through live streams and television broadcasts on September 24, 2026.
Event Details
- Date: Thursday, September 24, 2026
- Time: 2:00 PM Central Time (Mass processional begins at 1:30 PM)
- Location: The Dome at America's Center in St. Louis, Missouri

How to View Remotely
- Livestream: The event will be broadcast live online and on Catholic television networks like EWTN for global participation.

(The times for viewing: 12:00 PDT, 1:00 MDT, 2:00 CDT, 3:00 EDT)

Prayers to three of our Auxiliary Bishops as they travel on this Historic Pilgrimage to celebrate this event.

COUNTRY WESTERN FAIR
Family Fun – Entertainment – Food Vendors – Drone Show Finale
When: Friday, September 25, 2026
Where: Dominguez Park
21330 S. Santa Fe Ave., Carson, CA 90810
Time: 5:00 pm
Price: Free
More information. Call 310-549-3962

ST. EMYDIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH 27TH UNITY FESTIVAL 2026
When: September 25, 26, 27, 2026
Where: St. Emydius Catholic Church
10900 California Ave.
Lynwood, CA 90262
310-637-7095
www.saintemydius.org

SAVE THE DATE: 2ND ANNUAL GALA GRACE MASQUERADE BALL
When: Saturday, November 14, 2026
Where: St. Philomena Parish Hall
21900 Main St.
Carson, CA 90745
Time: Doors open at 5:00 pm
Cost: $150.00 per ticket
Contact: www.stphilomenaparish.org
310-835-7161

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE NATIONAL CONVENTION

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2026-2028 NATIONAL OFFICERS & CHAPLAIN



Pastor Rev. Emmanuel Ukaegbu-Onuoha



2026-2028 NATIONAL OFFICERS

National Regent Essie Walker
National Regent-Elect Connie Dronette
First Vice National Regent Nancy Bambenek
Second Vice National Regent Brenda Anderson
National Secretary-Treasurer Rita Carlson



2026-2028 NATIONAL DIRECTORS

Martha Karin Dudash, OK
Rosie Duran, NM
Rosie Stockwell, TX
Maria Santos Silva, CA
Barbara Wiechmann, SD
Missing: Jennifer Pachecho, MA
Bonnie Fox – NC
Suzanne Torrey – IA
Barb Ward – CO

2026-2028 NATIONAL NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Helene Shepherd, Chairman
Julie Marlow
Debbie Johnson
Priscilla Bustos
Patricia Foley
Irene Duda
Barbara Carpenter
First alternate – Michelle Russo
Second alternate – Joann Arivisu

CA STATE DINNER
JULY 23, 2026
AT THE HOLIDAY INN, CORALVILLE, IOWA

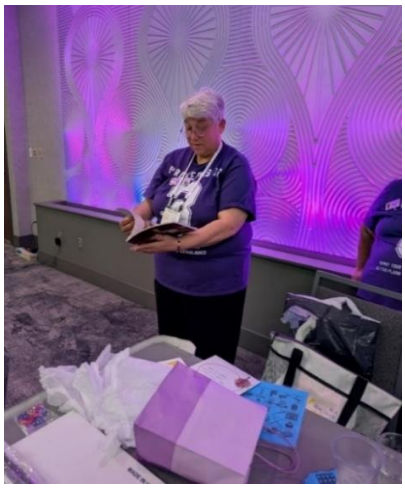
An night for all the CA members and our guests from four other states who joined with the CA members in attendance. Court Compton members, Linda, Alicia and Karen with Clara from St. John Chrysostom.





A group photo of the members from CA and the 4 other states who joined in the fun.







(Left photo): Yvette, presented the So. CA Women of the Year award to Jennifer Campbell, Ct. Good Shepherd 1930.

(Center photo): State Regent Lorine Bakowsky received Spiritual Bouquets from many Courts and a picture album from Mary, Queen of the World #2400.

(Right photo): Fr. Erik Villa was our baseball bingo monitor!

CIRCLE OF LOVE

A circle is a curved line with every point equal distance from the point of the center and bound together by the common interest. The seven-point program of the CIRCLE OF LOVE is bound together by the common interest – LOVE.

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The 2026 - 2028 National Education Contest theme:
"Blessed are the peacemakers," Matthew 5:9
or
"Building Peace Together in Unity"

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National Chairman: Rosie Stockwell

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State Chairman: Maureen Laubacher ~ maurlaub22@aol.com
National Chairman: Kathleen Grange
Info on legislature measures in CA https://cacatholic.org/action-alerts/

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National Chairman: Karin Dudash
Yvette Griego

Thank you to Courts Compton #942 and St. John Chrysostom #2658 for submitting the attached Resolution. This resolution was passed at the 2026 61st National Convention in Coralville, Iowa.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Catholic Church relies on priests and religious workers from throughout the world to serve the many needs of the church, organizations and programs.

WHEREAS, There is a large number of Catholic priests and religious brothers and sisters who are foreign-born who lawfully reside in the United States and are a vital and integral part of the communities they serve.

WHEREAS, These foreign-born religious workers are now being denied permanent status in the United States and are being forced to leave the communities and abandon their ministries.

WHEREAS, We as Catholic Daughters are called to action to address and correct this injustice along with our religious leaders.

RESOLVED, The California Courts of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, ask that God grant wisdom and guidance to our legislators to protect and to remedy this unjust deportation of our foreign-born priests, chaplains, deacons, sisters and other religious workers.

We pledge to take legislative action and pray for the immediate resolution so that the faithful men and women who serve through the Religious Worker Visa Program can continue their service to the Church and Catholic Community.

We offer daily prayers:

One Hail Mary for all clergy and religious workers

One Hail Mary to touch our hearts to act

One Hail Mary to turn us toward acceptance of all people

Submitted by: CDA Ct. Compton #942
Resolution Passed: January 11, 2026
Regents Signature:

Bonita Carter
carter_bonnie@yahoo.com

Ct. St. John Chrysostom ~~#2012~~ #2658
January 10, 2026

Clara Harris
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