

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS COURT COMPTON #942

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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.

Meetings:

When: 2nd Sunday of the month Time: 10:30 a.m. Where: Our Lady of Victory 519 E. Palmer St., Compton, Ca

www.compton942.org

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REGENT FEBRUARY MESSAGE

Dear Members,



February is a meaningful, solemn and beautiful month for our faith as are looking forward to the gathering of the faithful for Ash Wednesday on February 14th. This special day marks the beginning of our Lenten journey. Have you given thought of how you will spend the 40- day season in prayer and service? Remember, we are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent,

but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully.

CONGRATULATIONS COURT COMPTON# 942!

It is hard to believe, but this month our Court will commemorate 99 years of service to our Blessed Mother, our Church and the community. We are part of a very small number of California CDA Courts have been a fully



functional for such a long time. In fact, our State CDA is celebrating its 100th year in April.

I remember when I joined our Court that I was so impressed with the longevity and history of our Court. It is indeed rare that a charitable service organization are fully functional with no service interruptions for such a long period. It is a true testimonial to our strong members who continue to be committed to our faith and dedicated to service of our church, community and each other.

Let us take a moment to congratulate each other on our proud history and spread the word about CDA Court Compton \$942!

God Bless, Yvette Manard

If you want to join in on the Daily Lenten Prayer Service on National CDA Facebook Page

To begin on Ash Wednesday, February 14th at 1:30 pm CST

Daily Prayer Time

11:30 am PST

12:30 pm MST

1:30 pm CST

2:30 pm EST

The Prayer Service will use the Magnificat 2024 Lenten Companion. \$5.00 includes shipping. Click on the image below to order from the CDA store

Search Results (catholicdaughters.org)

STATE NEWS

Maria Santos-Silva, State Regent www.catholicdaughterscalifornia.org

Maria's Theme: "In the same way, your light must shine so that it can be Seen by others; this will enable them to observe your good works and give praise to Your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:16

SAVE THE DATE: 2024 STATE RETREAT

When: May 24 – 26, 2024

Where: St. Anthony Retreat Center, 43816 Sierra Dr., Three Rivers, CA

More information will be coming out the end of February 2024.



COURT COMPTON #942 100TH ANNIVERSARY CRUISE FUNDRAISER* Carnival Firenze

JOIN YOUR CDA SISTERS FOR A FUN TIME OF FRIENDSHIP AND FUN! MAY 30 – JUNE 4, 2024 (BOOKING #Z8J7D4)



Day	Port of Call	Arrival Time	Depart Time
Thu	Los Angeles (Long Beach)		04:00 PM
Fri	FUN DAY AT SEA		
Sat	Cabo San Lucas	10:00 AM	06:00 PM
Sun	FUN DAY AT SEA		
Mon	Ensenada	08:00 AM	05:00 PM
Tue	Los Angeles (Long Beach)	08:00 AM	

Please contact Yvonne when ready to book your cabin and make your \$300 deposit.

CABIN	RATE PP	TAX	TOTAL COST	NOTES
INTERIOR	\$383.00 PP	\$246.65 PP	\$647.85 PP	DECK 6 & 7
			(\$1,295.70)	2- 4C Cabins on hold
BALCONY	\$583.00 PP	\$246.65 PP	\$829.85 PP	DECK 6 & 7
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42 CABINS	On hold			

Final Deadline MARCH 16, 2024

*Note: All money (commission) earned from this booking will go into our CDA 100[™] Anniversary fund. Great Christmas Gift!



YVONNE IRALDO, NEXION TRAVEL ADVISOR 310) 678-9389 (YMIRALDO@YAHOO.COM)



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COURT NEWS

Yvette Manard, Regent www.compton942.org

Yvette's theme: "Stand firm and in your faith, Let all that you do be done in love. "
(1 Corinthians 16:13-14)

ACCW's ROSARY

When: Tuesdays and Thursdays

Time: 8:00 p.m. ACCW invites everyone to join the Rosary

Where: Call-in number: 1-425-436-6200

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CDA MEETING - NOTE THE DATE CHANGE!!

When: Sunday, February 4, 2024 -- ZOOM

Time: 11:00 A.M. Meeting Id: 889 4091 2709

Passcode: 324168

AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLIC CENTER FOR EVANGELIZATION presents the 22nd ANNUAL BLACK HISTORY MASS

Theme "Walk Together Children:

When: Saturday, February 10, 2024 Where: Our Lady of the Angels Cathedral

555 W. Temple Street

Los Angeles, CA

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Celebrant: Most Reverend Jose H. Gomez

The Keeper of the Flame Award will be presented by Archbishop Jose Gomez to participating Parish Honorees who have Kept the Flame of Evangelization burning in their individual Parishes.

COURT ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM'S CASINO BUS TRIP

When: Saturday, February 10, 2024

Where: Viejas Casino
Leave from: Front Parking Lot

St. John Chrysostom 546 E. Florence Ave., Inglewood, CA 90301

Time: Check-in @ 7 a.m.

Depart: 7:30 a.m.

Cost: \$26 per person

Contact: Madelynn @ 310-672-9278

Emily @ 310-897-8995

JCDA MEETING

When: Sunday, February 18, 2024

Where: OLV Annex

519 E. Palmer Street Compton, CA 90221

Time: 10:30 A.M.

If unable to attend, join us on ZOOM:

Meeting ID: 8674 5247 1733

Passcode: 980167

CDA ROSARY (3rd Wednesday of Month)

When: Wednesday, February 21, 2024

Where: ZOOM

Meeting ID: 841 4310 3344

Passcode: 816819

Leader: Amparo Marez

Intention: FOR THE TERMINALLY ILL

February's prayer intention is that the sick, "who are in the final stages of life, and their families receive the necessary medical and human care and accompaniment."

AFRICAN AMERICAN MASS and SPEAKER

When: February 25: 9:00 am Mass and Speaker, Potluck after Mass in Annex

Where: Our Lady of Victory Time: 9:00 a.m. Mass

NATIONAL NEWS

Emily Guilherme, National Regent

www.catholicdaughters.org

Emily's theme: "Faith as small as a Mustard Seed can move Mountains" Matthew 17:20

SAVE THE DATE: JCDA DAY

When: February 18, 2024

SAVE THE DATE: JCDA SWEET RETREAT

When: Sunday, June 9 – Wednesday, June 12, 2024

Where: Embassy Suites by Hilton

1000 Woodward Place NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Registration: \$199.00 per attendee

Registration fee includes 2 dinners, 2 lunches and breakfasts

Room Rate: \$149.00 plus tax

2 queen beds plus sofa sleeper

SAVE THE DATE: 2024 60TH BIENNIAL NATIONAL CONVENTION

When: August 14-18, 2024
Where: Riverside Hilton

Two Povdras Street, New Orleans, LA 70130

To make reservations: Online

Step 1: Go to: https://book.passkey.com/e/50691838

Step 2: Select your arrival/departure dates

Step 3: Select room type

Step 4: Enter name and payment information

To make reservations: Telephone:

Step 1: Call 1-800-HILTONS

Step 2: Once have live agent, request Hilton New Orleans Riverside, Two

Poydras St, New Orleans, LA

Step 3: Identify you are with a Group (Catholic Daughters of the Americas 2024," the code is ACD)

Discounted Group Room Rate:

\$155.00 USD - per person, per night, plus 16.20% tax & \$3.00 occupancy fee

CDA NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP CONTEST RUNS FROM AUGUST 2022 - JUNE 2024:

It is that time again, time for recruiting new members! All on track for Courts to host membership drives, socials, fun nights, spiritual events, any event that spreads the word and attracts more passengers that could help us establish more CDA train stops with new court members! Climb aboard the CDA membership Train! Invite other women to experience the spiritual benefits and joys of being a Catholic Daughter!

Prize for local courts gaining the most members:

1st place = \$200

2nd place = \$150

 3^{rd} place = \$100

Category 1: 1-75 members Category 2: 75-150 members Category 3: 151+ members

Prize for State Courts instituting most new courts:

 1^{st} place = \$500

 2^{nd} place = \$350

 3^{rd} place = \$200

Contact: National Membership Chair M. Susan Hicks @ 608-851-9137

Email:WisconsinCDA@aol.com

"A GIRL'S TRIP TO THE GRAND OLD LADY IN NEW YORK CITY" FUNDRAISER

The winner was drawn during the recent Walk for Life in Washington, DC.

The winner is:

Terry Schoolcraft

Peacham, VT

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWEST CAMPUS COURT:

OUR LADY OF WISDOM SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

WALK FOR LIFE: Some of the ladies who came to Washington, DC for the Walk for Life



ST. FAUSTINA AWARDS

At the National Convention will be the time to present the St. Faustina Membership Awards. These awards are presented to women who have been instrumental to women who have been instrumental in increasing membership in each state. Please send the names of one or two women in your state who have been helping the state grow in membership. Nominees will receive their St. Faustina Awards at the National Convention.

Please email your sate's nominees to:

M. Susan Hicks, National Membership Chairman by May 1st.

Her email address: WisconsinCDA@aol.com



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.

EDUCATION: Carole Gilmore & Yvette Manard State Chairman: Cheryl Vitali National Chairman: Darlene Moritz

We look forward to picking up the essays from Our Lady of Victory and St. Albert Catholic School. Essay are due January 15th

Theme: "God's love and kindness will shine upon us like the sun that rises in the sky."

Luke 1:78

or How does my love shine for others?

FAMILY: Karen Jones State Chairman: Laura McQuoid National Chairman: Connie Dronette

Some websites recommended by our National Chairman for further resources:

- Catholicmom.com (Moms)
- YouCat.org (Catechism of the Catholic Church For teens)
- 10minuteswithJesus.org (For teens)
- Catholiccentral.com (For middle & high schoolers)
- Catholicsprouts.com (Podcast for young children)
- Formed.com (Something for everyone in the family)
- Holy Heroes (Sunday Mass prep for children)
- Catholicallyear.com (Kenra Tierney For parents)
- Catholicicing.com (For parents)
- · Elizabethclareblog.com

SPIRITUAL ENHANCEMENT: Carole Gilmore State Chairman: Wynsdey Adams National Chairman: Brenda West

This is from Brother Philip

HEAVENLY FATHER, thank you for your LOVING KINDNESS, PROTECTION, and SUSTENANCE throughout 2023. Thank YOU for Your FAITHFULNESS because it is only by YOUR MERCY that we have come this FAR. Lord, I am CONFIDENT that the same way you BROUGHT us this FAR, YOU will HOLD our HAND and CROSS us OVER into 2024,through JESUS CHRIST our Lord.

Amen Brother Philip

YOUTH/JCDA Chairman: Maribel Lara State Chairman: Maribel Torres-Lara National Chairman: Yvette Griego

OUR FIRST JCDA PHOTO CHALLENGE WINNER

St. Teresa of Calcutta 409 Perham, Minnesota

A \$100 gift card will be mailed to the lucky court to use as they choose to celebrate!!

LEADERSHIP: Jacqueline Dunn State Chairman: Ismaela Muniz-Heiden National Chairman: Brenda Anderson

LEGISLATION: Essie Preston State Chairman: Patty Lepe National Chairman: Margaret Sitte DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!!

QUALITY OF LIFE: Linda Wilson-Davis State Chairman: Andrea Rodriguez-Ochoa National Chairman: Nancy Bambenek

A Culture of Hospitality
An Update on Holy Family Hospital, Bethlehem
By Ambassador Michele B. Bowe, GCM
(this is a follow-up from Linda's January report)

The Latin, Orthodox and Armenian Christmases and then Epiphany were welcome diversions these past few weeks. I was in Bethlehem for the Epiphany and participated in the processions and festivities. The Custos of the Holy Land, over fifty priests, and the Three Kings processed to the Manger bringing Frankincense and Myrrh to share with the faithful. The procession concluded after bringing the Christ Child back into the upper-level Church of the Nativity for veneration before placing him in his usual spot at the altar of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Afterwards, we had a special opportunity to venerate relics of the wood of the Manger at the high altar. It was

beautiful and festive to be in the Church with the bountiful garlands, lights and Christmas trees. The organ was particularly sweet accompanying the local choirs.

It was good to celebrate the full twelve days of Christmas. The carols were even more beautiful, strange though it may seem, set against the backdrop of roaring fighter jets, conflict, and fear. No one knows when the war will end and when normalcy will return to Bethlehem. But the carols sing of hope and goodwill toward all, making them particularly compelling this year.

More babies than usual are in guarded condition in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). It seems the whole population of Bethlehem is in guarded condition because of the current political and economic situation. The checkpoints remain closed, workers cannot go to Jerusalem and pilgrimages are a dream of the distant future. Food shortages and raging inflation, coupled with the almost complete lack of salaries (other than for employees of our Hospital) are causing great anxiety.

The NICU has been running full. Full to over full, that is. The 18 beds we are licensed to operate are simply not enough to handle current demand. We often have 21 or 22 newborns in need of our specialized care. If we turn them away when we are full, they likely will not survive. Holy Family Hospital is the only medical center in the region that can deliver and care for sick and premature babies often weighing as little as one pound and at as few as 25 weeks gestation. The staff at Holy Family Hospital always make room for another baby as this not only makes possible lifesaving medical care, but also serves as a form of hospitality. Palestinians are known for the welcomes they freely offer; they delight in making their tables longer, stretching the stew or finding a bed for a stranger. The staff of our Hospital pride themselves on extending care for a baby in need even though they are stretched, overworked and tired from having to deal with the current situation every day.

Each tiny life saved is a big win at Holy Family Hospital. Each child born is cause for celebration.

An empty incubator or two remain at the ready in the NICU. They wait, all set up to receive a baby in distress at any moment, 24 hours a day, all year long. Sometimes the staff knows a mother is laboring with a baby who will need NICU care. They check her condition every 15 minutes, and a neonatologist attends the delivery to swoop in and begin the lifesaving care. These babies have the best outcomes. The mothers who show up at the door in an ambulance already delivered or a baby transferred from the nearby government hospital do not fare as well. It is always preferable to have the mother labor and deliver in our hospital so we can be fully prepared to care for the vulnerable mother and her baby.

Last week when I was at the Hospital, the NICU was full, as usual. The difference I noted was that almost all the babies were premature and mostly born before 30 weeks. I also noted that two-thirds of them were born with infections. The neonatologists cannot be sure why so many babies are born with infections, but it is likely because of the poor nutritional status of the mothers and the elevated anxiety they must manage. These babies will have extended NICU stays, perhaps as long as several months. Their care will be highly specialized and extremely costly.

It is hard to comprehend that Bethlehem is now a town with few salaries, growing inflation and a disproportionate number of brand-new babies needing intensive care. Families are once again worrying about forgoing medical care to buy groceries. In the case of sick and premature babies, this care is not a luxury but a lifesaving necessity. We are blessed to have the Neediest Baby Fund, inaugurated in 2015, to cover the medical needs of the tiniest and most vulnerable babies. Mothers and fathers benefiting from this fund can maintain their dignity knowing they will not incur debt or need to borrow from family to order to bring their babies home at the end of a long hospitalization. Unlike the other hospitals, we do not require full payment to release a mother and her baby.

Despite the fear and anxiety prevalent outside the Hospital, the atmosphere within the Hospital remains cheerful. After all, what could be more hopeful than a fresh newborn baby? The Hospital staff manage to leave their worries at the door to focus on providing the best possible care for the women and children of Bethlehem. The Hospital has operated for a century and a half, serving the people of Bethlehem. It has weathered multiple wars and *intifadas* and is still standing strong.

It saddens me to share that our Mobile Medical Clinic has not been able to serve the Bedouin communities or the isolated villages around Bethlehem since the war began. The area south of Bethlehem, where many of our patients live, is not safe because of settler-instigated violence and the introduction of additional checkpoints. Ambulances and mobile clinics have not been exempted from the impacts of hostilities and we cannot subject our staff to possible harm. Luckily, most of the patients we once saw through the Mobile Clinic have been finding ways to come to the Hospital for deliveries, often through back roads and goat paths.

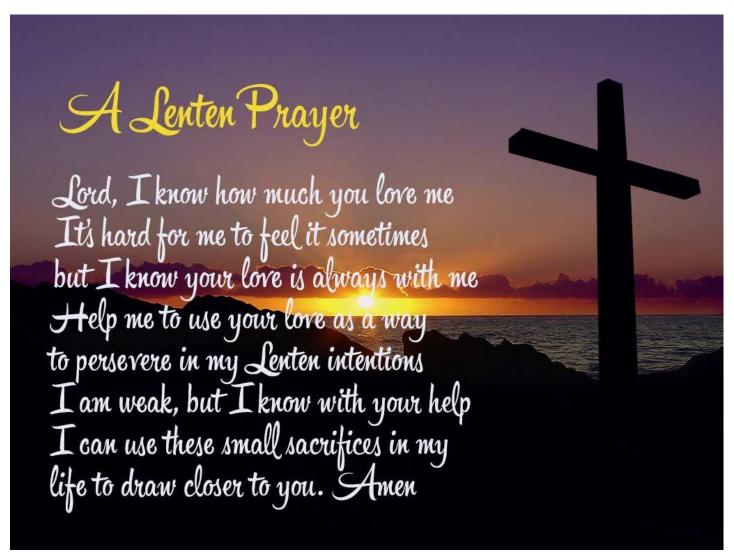
A bright spot on the Bethlehem skyline is the new and more impressive silhouette of our Hospital. Despite the challenges resulting from the current hostilities, our construction project is moving forward nicely. Workers are

more plentiful with the closure of checkpoints, and they are grateful for the opportunity to work on such an important touchstone of the community. Most of them were born at the Hospital, as were their children. Work is mostly focused on the interior now, concentrating on the finishes. We are now preparing to begin Phase II, in which we will repurpose the old operating theaters. I was happy to witness the installation of the anti-microbial wall coverings in the new operating theaters. That is a welcome sign of progress.

The strength of Holy Family Hospital is not derived from the solid stone on stone construction of the building. It instead flows from the generations of dedicated and caring Palestinian staff members determined to care for the people of Bethlehem and to build a more solid future for the children to come. **Our Hospital draws its strength from the stories of care, hope and opportunity in which it plays a part every day, and will continue to play in the days, weeks, and years yet to come.** As donors, friends, and stewards of the Hospital, we all contribute in vital ways to these stories, offering hope and investing in the futures of the generations to come in Bethlehem.

Please join us in continuing to pray for peace. Our **NEW** weekly Rosary for Peace time will be at 7:00 PM on Tuesday evenings. The passcode remains the same: passcode is 123.

Tuesday Virtual Rosary



https://www.pinterest.ph/pin/prayers

FEBRUARY CALENDAR EVENTS

- 4 Ct. Compton #942 Meeting ZOOM
- 11 Ct. Compton #942 Mass
- 13 Shrove Tuesday
- 14 Ash Wednesday
- 14 St. Valentine's Day
- 15 Ct. Compton #942 99th Anniversary
- 18 JCDA Day
- 18 Presidents' Day



The new dues amount is now \$40.00 for 2024. Please bring it to the meeting or you can mail payments to Luisa.

Please mail your dues to:

Financial Secretary Luisa Ballesteros 1116 W. 151st St. Compton, CA 90220 310-293-0448



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 4 Shirley Creighton
- 8 Liliana Gonzalez
- 17 Ingrid Humphrey



FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

12 Karen Jones 18 years 25 Doris Wilson 38 years 14 Louise Harris 17 years 28 Sandra Koch 51 years

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:

Joan Braun @ 562-361-0309 Jacqueline Dunn @ 310-433-2740 Amparo Marez @ 310-594-9897

ON-GOING FUNDRAISERS

Jamba Juice: Contact LaVerne Russeau

562-336-9722

RADA Cutlery: Contact Karen Jones

310-344-6803

PRAYER OF POPE FRANCIS FOR THE JUBILEE

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified.

You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this of you, Lord Jesus, through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy; you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever.

PRAYING THE ROSARY



Praying for ourselves, our families, our church, and for world peace. Some different options to join and share in the Rosary:

#1

Ct. Compton #942 Rosary

Every 3rd Wednesday of the month 7:00 p.m.

ZOOM - Meeting Id: 841 4310 3344

Passcode: 816819 Call-in: 1-669-900-9128 Meeting ld: 841 4310 3344#

Passcode: 816819#

#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

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

SYMPATHY

Mrs. Danie B. French - Essie's mom

PRAYERS - Karen Jones

PRAY THE ROSARY! HELP US EDUCATE OUR CHILDREN

Pray about everything. Tell God what you need and thank him for all he has done.

Philippians 4:6 NLT

MEMBERS:

Alice Avery and her family (Jacob, Ontario, Frances, Danielle) Friend (Linda) Daphne Bernestine's family (Lati) Joan Braun and family (Edwards & Paul's)

Janet Castaneda and family (Kathy, Albert)

Gail Carter

Marcella Cooper's husband (Raymond) Elisapeta Fido

Maria Flores and family (Nellie, Polo, Stella)

Louise Harris and husband (Roy Carole Gilmore and husband (Rodney) Sandra Koch

Amparo Marez and daughter Dorothy Moore and son (Michael) Doris Wilson and family (Nyah) Charles R. Jones (Doris Wilson's brother) Cynthia Carpenter

Chaplain Father Gilberto's mother (Yolanda Tapia Pacheco)
CA State Regent Maria Santos-Silva
CA State Regent Mary Beasley
CA Past State Regent Melody Ciaravino
CA Past State Regent Mary Bernard
Barbara Welch
Father Domingo
Father Stan Bosch