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**COURT COMPTON # 942**  
**Compton, CA**  
*"In Unity & Charity"*

**MAY 2025 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.

**Meetings:**

**When:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month

**Time:** 10:30 a.m.

**Where:** Our Lady of Victory

519 E. Palmer St., Compton, Ca

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**REGENT'S MAY MESSAGE**

My dear Sisters in Christ,



Court Compton really stepped up and showed up at the State Convention. I so proud of everyone who attended. Congratulations to Yvette for being voted 2025-2027 State Secretary and to Alicia for being voted a member of the 2025-2027 Nominating Committee. Also coming in 2<sup>nd</sup> place Newsletter; 3<sup>rd</sup> place Family: Dia de los Muertos Altar Decorations; and Tutorial 3<sup>rd</sup> place in Education Essay at OLV and St. Albert's; 1<sup>st</sup> place: Facebook, and 1<sup>st</sup> place: Website. We have a phenomenal court. You ladies are awesome to work with. You never cease to amaze me with all the hard work you perform for this court.

Lord, thank you for the amazing, strong, beautiful, loving, kind and worthy friends you have placed in my life. Protect them always. Guide their hearts and minds to you always in everything that they face. I'm so grateful for them being a part of my story. In Jesus' name, amen. (Author unknown)

Please remember to post your membership dues. May you all have a blessed and enjoyable Mothers Day.

Bonita Carter, Regent

## **Congratulations to the new 2025-2027 CA State Board.**



State Secretary Yvette Manard, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice State Regent Sheri Kanagawa, State Regent Lorine Bakowsky, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice State Regent Yvonne Connolly, State Treasurer Michelle Eck, State Spiritual Advisor Deacon Tim Myers



Thursday, April 24, 2025 the Opening Mass at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Visalia, CA





Father Wade Menezes of EWTN and author, Deacon Tim, Father Alex, Father Erick at St. Charles Borromeo



2027 Nominating Committee



Kaweah Tour



Picnic in the park, with Joe Silva and Rosa Cadena



Rosa Cadena, Father Erick, Joe Silva and Maria Santos-Silva

**COURT NEWS**

Bonita Carter, Regent

[www.compton942.org](http://www.compton942.org)

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

**CDA MEETING**

When: Sunday, May 4, 2025

Where: OLV Cafeteria

519 E. Palmer St., Compton, CA 90221

Time: 10:30 AM

**CDA ROSARY**

When: Wednesday, May 21, 2025

Where: Zoom

Meeting ID: 876 6739 7098 Passcode: 290013

Time: 7:00 pm

Leader: Patty Gutierrez

**Intention: FOR WORKING CONDITIONS**

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfillment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

**YOU ARE INVITED TO CELEBRATE CT. CATHERINE #1378 80<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

When: Sunday, May 4, 2025

Where: Nativity Church Mass

1447 Engracia Ave.

Torrance, CA 90501

Time: 9:00 am Mass

Reception: Nativity Church Annex

1415 Engracia Ave.

Torrance, CA 90501

Time: 11:00 am Reception

Cost: \$35.00 per person

RSVP: Jasmin Salvador at 213-618-2626

Zeny Mitu at 310-483-6101

**SAVE THE DATE: 2,000 HAIL MARYS**

When: Saturday, May 24, 2025

Where: Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church - ANNEX

519 E. Palmer St.

Compton, CA

Time: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Contact: Patty Gutierrez at 323-719-3118 (Call or Text)

**VIEJAS CASINO**

When: Saturday, June 7th – Viejas Bus Trip

Leave from: OLV Parking Lot

Time: 7:00 AM

Cost: \$35.00



## STATE NEWS

Maria Santos-Silva, State Regent

[www.Californiacatholicdaughters.org](http://www.Californiacatholicdaughters.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**

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Spiritual Advisor Deacon Tim

State Regent Lorine Bakowsky

1<sup>st</sup> Vice State Regent Sheri Kanagawa

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice State Yvonne Connolly

State Secretary Yvette Manard

State Treasurer Michelle Eck

### **State Chairmen**

Education: Maria Arechiga

Family: Laura McQuoid

Leadership: Ismael Muniz-Heiden

Legislation: Maureen Laubacher

Quality of Life: Mary Beasley

Spiritual Enhancement: Capria Woodson-Tabor

Youth/JCDA:

### **2025 CDA Women of The Year**

Northern: Rosemarie Githens – Court Our Lady of Wisdom #2392

Central: Monica Herrera – Court St. John #2526

Southern: Deb Burley – Court Our Lady of the Angels #2599

### **2025 CDA CA STATE SCHOLARSHIP WINNER**



## NATIONAL NEWS

Susan Moné, National Regent

[www.catholicdaughters.org](http://www.catholicdaughters.org)

Susan's theme: **A Beacon of Hope, A Light in the Darkness**

### 12 DAYTS FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PAUL GREECE

**Led by: National Regent Susan Moné and National Chaplain Fr. Erick Villa**

When: October 17 – 28, 2025

Cost: \$5,600 all-inclusive except lunches

\$100 early bird special – book by December 31, 2024

50% due – May 17, 2025

Full balance due – July 17, 2025

Land price only: \$4,600

Single occupancy - \$1,100

Enrollment fee: \$800 (payable on booking)

Email contact: [booking@Lpjp.org](mailto:booking@Lpjp.org)

Mail contact: L.P. Pilgrimages

P.O. Box 2015, Lawrenceville, GA 30046

Phone contact: 1-833-944-8242

### CDA MEMBERSHIP DRIVE CONTEST

This is the Quarterly Membership Drive Contest from:

April 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025

The first: April 1, 2025 through June 30, 2025

The second: July 1, 2025 through September 30, 2025

The third: October 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025

Prizes will be awarded to the top three Local Courts with the most increased members, in the event of a tie, a drawing will take place.

**First Place Prize -- \$100.00**

**Second Place Prize -- \$75.00**

**Third Place Prize -- \$50.00**

## SAVE THE DATE

### CDA NATIONAL CONVENTION

**When: July 15-18, 2026**

**Where: Hyatt Regency in Coralville, Iowa**

## MEMBERSHIP



Do you know ladies who might want to join 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**

**Amparo Marez @ 310-594-9897**

**Yvette Manard @ 562-400-8079**

## MAY

*Happy Birthday*

- 7 Marnee Melendez
- 8 Joan Braun
- 18 Rosa Cadena
- 18 Maria Flores
- 24 Lovie Leslie
- 25 Sandra Koch

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

none



**The new dues amount is now \$40.00 for 2025. Please bring it to the meeting or you can mail payments to Rosa.**

Please mail your dues to:

Financial Secretary  
Rosa Cadena  
3002 Clarendon Ave.  
Huntington Park, CA 90255  
323-819-9374

## MAY CALENDAR

- 1 National Day of Prayer
- 3-5 One Million Rosaries for the Unborn
- 4 Ct. Compton #942 Meeting
- 11 Mother's Day
- 18 JCDA Meeting
- 21 Ct. Compton #942 Rosary - Zoom
- 24 2000 Hail Mary's
- 26 Memorial Day

## PRAYING THE ROSARY



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

### #1 Ct. Compton #942 Rosary

When: 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

### 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

### 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.

### SYMPATHY POPE FRANCIS

### PRAYERS – Karen Jones

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*)

Joan Braun and family (*Edwards & Paul's*)

Janet Castaneda and family (*Kathy*)

Bonita Carter

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

Doris Wilson and family

Nyah Wilson (*Doris's granddaughter*)

Charles R. Jones (*Doris Wilson's brother*)

Cynthia Carpenter

Terron Walton – Mama Dee's grandson

Suzette Martinez (Yvette's sister)

Pedro Gutierrez – Patty's father

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

Deacon Alberto Reyes

Linda Wilson-Davis

Vanessa Simms Green (Bonita's sister)

### UNITY PRAYER

My Adorable Jesus.

May Our Feet Journey Together.

May Our Hands Gather in Unity.

May Our Hearts Beat in Unison.

May Our Souls Be in Harmony.

May Our Thoughts Be as One.

May Our Ears Listen to the Silence together.

May Our Glances Profoundly Penetrate Each Other.

May Our Lips Pray Together to Gain Mercy From the Eternal Father.



This was from Past State Regent Gloria Maria Mayol, and I wanted to share since this is the month of Mary.

*What do you see when you look at the picture of Our Lady of Perpetual Help? What is she and the baby Jesus telling us? What do those symbols mean? For those of you who did not know, here's the explanation.*

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help**  
**Nuestra Senora del Perpetuo Socorro**  
**(A Byzantine icon)**

Christ sees the vision of two angels showing Him the instruments of the Passion; the Christ Child has run to His Mother, almost losing, in His haste, one of the tiny sandals. Mary holds Him in Her arms reassuringly, lovingly. But notice Her eyes. They look not at Jesus, but at us. Is this not a touch of genius? How better express Our Lady's plea to us to avoid sin and love Her Son?

Christ's little Hands, too, are pressed into Mary's as a reminder to us that, just as on earth, He placed Himself entirely in Her hands for protection, so now in Heaven, He has given into Her hands all graces, to distribute to those who ask Her.

This is the principle message of the picture. However, it is replete with other symbols. Here are some of them:

**Star** on Our Lady's veil. She is the Star of the Sea...who brought the light of Christ to the darkened world...the star that leads us to the safe port of Heaven.

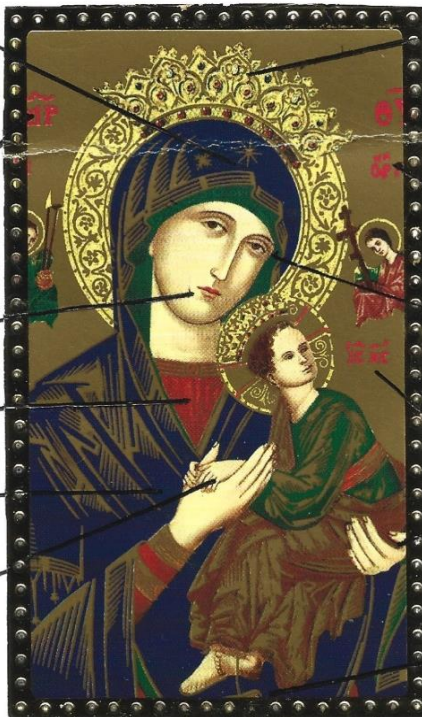
**Greek Initial** for "St. Michael the Archangel." He is depicted holding the lance and gall-sop of Christ's Passion.

**Mary's Mouth** is small for silent recollection. She speaks little.

**Red Tunic**, the color worn by virgins at the time of Christ.

**Dark Blue Mantel**, the color worn by mothers in Palestine. Mary is both Virgin and Mother.

**Christ's Hands**, turned palms down into His Mother's, indicate that the Graces of Redemption are in Her keeping.



**Golden Crown**, placed on the original picture by order of the Holy See in 1867. It is a token of the many miracles wrought by Our Lady invoked under the title of "Perpetual Help."

**Greek Initial** for "St. Gabriel the Archangel." He holds the Cross and the nails.

**Mary's Eyes** are large for all our troubles. They are turned toward us always.

**Greek Initials** for "Jesus Christ."

**Mary's Left Hand** supporting Christ possessively. She is His Mother. It is a comforting hand for everyone who calls on Her.

**Falling Sandal**. Perhaps, the symbol of a soul clinging to Christ by one last thread – devotion to Mary.

**The Entire Background** is golden, symbolic of Heaven, where Jesus and Mary are now enthroned. The gold also shines through the clothing, showing the heavenly joy they can bring to tired human hearts.

*Hope this explanation has helped bring a clearer message from Our Lady of Perpetual Help to each and everyone of us.*



## 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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**Circle of Love winner: 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Education (Tutorials)**



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**3<sup>rd</sup> Place Youth/JCDA (Three Kings Day)**

### CIRCLE OF LOVE AWARD WINNERS: 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Newsletter and



**1<sup>st</sup> Place State Award Winners: Local Court Website and Local Court Facebook**