

# 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: 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 JANUARY MESSAGE Happy New Year! Welcoming in 2024 with Unity & Charity



As we welcome in our 99th year as Sisters in Christ, let us so with joy and gladness. I am excited about the upcoming year as we plan for our 99th and

100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations. This remarkable accomplishment could not be achieved without your faithful service and prayers. Truly blessed! .

Thank you to our members that contributed and made our holiday food gift baskets at 4 parishes such a huge success. We were able to provide 26 at Our Lady of Victory, Sacred Heart, St. Albert and St. Lawrence boxes filled with food (donation from Aldi's grant) and a \$25.00 grocery gift card.

Let us join, on January 14th to pray the rosary at 8:30 am at OLV, followed by mass and our 1st meeting of the year. We have a full agenda as we prepare for the New Year and our National Convention in New Orleans. You do not want to miss this remarkable gathering of CDA women.

"The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace." Numbers 6:24-26

God bless you and your family,

Yvette Manard, Regent



A BIG THANK YOU TO ALDI'S FOR THEIR GENEROUS DONATION OF \$500.00 TO HELP PROVIDE FOOD ITEMS TO 26 FAMILIES AT FOUR PARISHES.





### **HOLIDAY FOOD DONATION 2023**



### **OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Holiday gift boxes filled with Aldi's food items purchased from the Aldi's grant and grocery cards donated by CDA members distributed to 6 families in the parish.





### SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

Holiday gift boxes filled with Aldi's food items purchased from the Aldi's grant and grocery cards donated by CDA members distributed to 5 families in the parish.

Pictured with CDA members and Father Ramos.



### ST. LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

Holiday gift boxes filled with Aldi's food items purchased from the Aldi's grant and grocery cards donated by CDA members distributed to 5 families in the parish.

### ST. ALBERT CATHOLIC CHURCH

Holiday gift boxes filled with Aldi's food items purchased from the Aldi's grant and grocery cards donated by CDA members distributed to 5 families in the parish.





LaVerne Russeau, Holiday Adopt Families Chairperson Yvette Manard, Regent securing the \$500.00 Aldi's grant CDA Court Compton #942 members for grocery store gift cards, JCDA Court Mother Lupita for beautifully wrapping the boxes. A special thank you to members who took the time to participate in welcoming the families and giving them our donation.

**Blessings!** 

### **COURT COMPTON #942 CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Our Christmas Party on December 10, 2023 at the Black Angus in Lakewood, Ca Fun was held by all in attendance.







### COURT COMPTON #942 100<sup>TH</sup> 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.

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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
			(\$1.659.70)	16 (8B & 8C on hold)
42 CABINS	On hold			

### Final Deadline MARCH 16, 2024

\*Note: All money (commission) earned from this booking will go into our CDA  $100^{TH}$  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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### AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLIC CENTER FOR EVANGELIZATION (AACCFE) DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. PRAYER BREAKFAST

When: Saturday, January 13, 2024

Where: Proud Bird Restaurant

11022 Aviation Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90048

Time: 8:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

Cost: \$50.00

Information: Contact Marcella or Raymond Cooper @ 213-984-7937 (OLV Reps for AACCFE)

#### **CDA MEETING**

When: Sunday, January 14, 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: 889 4091 2709

Passcode: 324168

### CDA ROSARY (3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of Month)

When: Wednesday, January 17, 2024

Where: ZOOM

Meeting ID: 841 4310 3344

Passcode: 816819 Demetries Walton Bell

Leader: Demetries Walton Bell

Intention: FOR THE GIFT OF DIVERSITY IN THE CHURCH

During the month of January, Pope Francis has asked the faithful to pray for the gift of diversity in the Church. He emphasized recognizing "the gift of different charisms

within the Christian community."

### ONE LIFE LA WALK FOR LIFE

When: January 20, 2024
Where: LA State Historic Park

1245 N. Spring St., Los Angeles, CA 90012

Time: 11:00 A.M. – 6:30 P.M.

Information: www.onelifela.org

JCDA MEETING

When: Sunday, January 21, 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

SAVE THE DATE: AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH 2024 Theme: AFRICAN AMERICANS AND THE ARTS

When: February 4: 9:00 am Mass: Introduction by Dr. Preston

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

Next meetings:

February 11: CDA meeting in the Annex @ 10:30 am February 18: JCDA meeting in the Annex @ 10:30 am

### **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: WALK FOR LIFE

Vigil Mass = When: Thursday, January 18, 2024

Where: Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

March for Life Walk = When: Friday, January 19, 2024

Legislative Talk @ 9:00 a.m. = When: Saturday, January 20, 2024

Where: Homewood Suites

**Accommodations: Homewood Suites** 

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:

1<sup>st</sup> place = \$200

 $2^{nd}$  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<sup>st</sup> place = \$500

2<sup>nd</sup> place = \$350

3<sup>rd</sup> place = \$200

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

Email: WisconsinCDA@aol.com

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

For just \$50 you can help the 1903 Society and possibly win a fun trip to CDA Headquarters ("The Grand Old Lady") in the "Big Apple!" Click on the flyer below for downloadable Entry Form.

Girl's Trip to the Grand Old Lady in NYC Click on the flyer below for a link to download and fill out your Entry Form and submit it. Maybe we will "see you in the Big Apple!" - Catholic Daughters of the Americas - New York, NY



### 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 to follow

### JANUARY CALENDAR EVENTS

- 1 Feast of Mary, Mother of God
- 1 New Year's Day
- 6 Epiphany
- 13 Martin Luther King Prayer Breakfast
- 14 Ct. Compton #942 Mass & Meeting
- 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- 17 Ct. Compton #942 Rosary
- 21 JCDA Mass & Meeting
- 19 March for Life
- 20 LA One Life Walk



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. 151<sup>st</sup> St. Compton, CA 90220 310-293-0448



### **JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

- 9 Jacqueline Dunn
- 22 Dee Walton Bell
- 23 Janet Castaneda



### **JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES**

12 La Verne Russeau 4 years

14 Francisca Marez 6 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 Id: 841 4310 3344#

Passcode: 816819#

### #2

### **ACCW ROSARY**

Every Tuesday and Thursday 8:00 p.m. PST

Call in: 1-425-436-6200

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### #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

### 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



### 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 15<sup>th</sup>

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

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

Sharing this letter from Melody Paulsen is a CDA Sister-Court St Anne in Beaumont, also a member of the Order of Malta. Christ is the reason for the season, and sometimes we can forget the other side of the world is not at peace, as we are. Please ask our Court members to donate if their hearts are impacted with the plea to help the Holy Family Hospital, which sits a few feet from the birthplace of Jesus.

A Bridge to Hope An Update on Holy Family Hospital, Bethlehem By Ambassador Michele B. Bowe, GCM

Bethlehem is the heart of Christmas. Not that of the North Pole and elves, but the authentic Christian celebration of the birth of the Christ Child. Each December, Manger Square hosts a life-size nativity scene, illuminated by stars and a three-story Christmas tree. Liturgical choirs perform most nights, and the Christmas market draws visitors—Christian and Muslim alike— from all over the region and around the world.

This year is different. Bethlehem is locked down behind the Israeli separation wall and many additional manned checkpoints. Most of the workforce has no salaries or work because of the closure and the absence of pilgrimages. While the war is over 40 miles away, Bethlehem suffers not from fighting or bombing, but from the halted economy. In response, providing meals for the children demands precedence over exchanging gifts and treats.

This year in Bethlehem, there will be no Christmas tree, choirs, lights, or decorations. The 100 plus year-old traditional Christmas parade composed of marching bands and bagpipers from the parish scout troops will now be a more solemn religious procession. The Patriarch of Jerusalem will leave on foot from Jerusalem to Bethlehem. As always, thousands will line the way in anticipation of the birth of the Christ Child. He will make his traditional entry through a special gate in the separation wall and make his ceremonial walk along the path taken by the Magi. The Procession will end at the Church of the Nativity. After midnight Mass the Figurine of the Baby Jesus will be placed in the manger where he will remain throughout the days of Christmas. This year Christmas will be very much like that first Christmas 2000 years ago. No gifts, no celebrations, no fireworks, or festivities— just a babe born on a deep winter night under a bright star.

The families of Bethlehem will celebrate Christmas with Mass, prayer and sacrifice as requested by the Patriarchs. Christmas will be somber, reflecting on the recent events in Israel, Gaza, and the West Bank.

But Christmas will not be without hope. Just as Mary and Joseph found shelter in the manger, the Holy Family Hospital, 1,500 footsteps from the birthplace of Christ, will provide refuge to mothers delivering their babies without regard to financial need or religious creed. Each and every baby born in this nighttime of war will remind us that babies are a sign from God of his unconditional love for us all. What could be more hopeful than a newborn baby?

Just as the Church is the center of community life, Holy Family Hospital is the heartbeat of Bethlehem. The Hospital lights stay on all night long every day of the year. The halls are warm and welcoming even in the piercing cold of the darkest nights. The midwives, nurses and doctors stand ready to care for the most complicated deliveries and the mothers know to expect the very best care delivered without regard to need or creed.

Some mothers, because of travel restrictions due to the war 40 miles away, are not able to reach the Hospital to deliver their babies as travel is dangerous at night. They will deliver at home, without medical care. Sana recently delivered her baby at home because she could not reach the Hospital. In the morning Sana and her husband took the baby to the Hospital. The baby was cold and infected because homes in Bethlehem do not have central heating and they were not prepared for a home delivery. Both Sana and her baby were admitted for follow-up care.

As the war wages on in Gaza, the shutdown of Bethlehem continues to mean very few have salaries and the small savings people were able to amass after Covid are quickly disappearing. Our Hospital is one of the very few employers continuing to pay full wages on time. Our construction project is a bright spot of hope as the work continues, employing a great variety of tradesmen. We were even able to add a few new employees to the site. Despite the closures, we are finding supplies and making steady progress.

Fewer families can contribute to their care as a medical bill competes with a bag of groceries. Our contracts with the UN and the government of Palestine normally cover a fraction of the cost of some deliveries and NICU care for refugees and state employees. In normal times, this helps cash flow. Today these funds have all but dried up. Holy Family Hospital Foundation is redoubling efforts to meet this funding gap to maintain full salaries and full services until the resumption of peace.

For over thirty years, the Order of Malta has committed to improving lives in the greater Bethlehem region. Babies we delivered are grown up and working for the church, for the universities, for the government and for our very own Holy Family Hospital. A new generation of doctors and nurses who drew their first breaths at our Hospital are now working in service to the mothers and babies of Bethlehem.

The circle of life and the circle of hope are deeply intertwined in Bethlehem. Over 70% of the population was born at Holy Family Hospital. Today we are the largest employer and trainer of medical professionals. Our Hospital is a touchstone of the community and a veritable factory of hope.

A donation to Holy Family Hospital is an investment in hope. It is a vote for the future of Bethlehem, the place where the Christ Child drew his first breath just 1,500 footsteps from Holy Family Hospital. Thank you for being part of the bridge which will carry the people of Bethlehem over the war and to the far side of peace. Thank you for your prayers and thank you for your gifts of hope.

Please join us in continuing to pray for peace. Our weekly Rosary for Peace time will change from 7:00 PM on Thursday evenings to 7:00 PM on Tuesday evenings after Dec. 31. See below for the new link and the passcode is 123.

LEGISLATION: Essie Preston State Chairman: Patty Lepe National Chairman: Margaret Sitte

**DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!!** 



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

### 10 Success Tips That All Leaders Should Consider

- 1) Focus
- 2) Learn from others
- 3) Keep things simple
- 4) Be reliable
- 5) Respect others
- 6) Work hard
- 7) Recruit the best people
- 8) Communicate with clarity
- 9) Build teams
- 10)Accept mistakes

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Saw this on the Los Angeles Archdiocese Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) Facebook page and wanted to share my CDA Sisters (Thank you Elizabeth Fan).

