

# CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

Court St. Pius X #1866

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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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## Current Events.

**Tuesday, April 14, 11am,  
Lets meet With Sister  
Kathleen to see the new  
tabernacle at the** monthly 11 am  
Mass at Horizon House Chapel.  
The dining staff will serve us a  
soup or sandwich lunch after  
Mass. Cost of lunch at Horizon  
House is \$5.00. See more  
information under the Regents  
Message.

ALSO!!

**Tuesday, April 14 at 7 pm  
will be our monthly  
meeting and our Pregnancy  
Supprt Baby Boutique Shower  
to benefit Pregnancy Support  
Services of the Catholic Social  
Services. (this replaced Birthright  
from prior years). Along with the  
usual baby items, diapers size 4 &  
5 and toddler sizes are needed.  
Used items in good condition are  
accepted. Come and join us for our  
short meeting and baby shower  
and social. PLEASE NOTE THE  
CHANGE TO TUESDAY, THIS  
MONTH.**

## April 12, Easter Sunday.

Easter is a day of celebration  
because it represents the  
fulfillment of our faith as  
Christians. St. Paul wrote that,  
unless Christ rose from the dead,  
our faith is in vain (1 Corinthians  
15:17). Through his death, Christ  
saved mankind from bondage to  
sin, and he destroyed the hold  
that death has on all of us; but it  
is his resurrection that gives us  
the promise of new life, both in  
this world and the next.



## Christ has Risen!



Enjoy your Easter Celebration.

## Events in CDA members Parish.

**April 25th, Saturday,**

**The Women Of Holy Family are  
hosting their Spring Fashion  
Show Luncheon.** 11:30-1:30 at the  
Holy Family Parish Hall. The luncheon  
is \$15.00. For more information call  
Betty Libby at 562-4552.

## CDA April Regent Message,

We have a very busy month ahead of us. Catholic Daughters always rise to the occasion and we will have a great time working together. The phone committee will be calling, please respond to their messages as soon as possible. They do a terrific job for our Court. I look forward to seeing everyone at the CSS Baby boutique Shower Tuesday April 14<sup>th</sup> and reception for Sister Kathleen on April 23.

With the completion of the new Chapel at Horizon House, Sr. Kathleen O'Hara will be returning to her community in Albany, NY, after 37 yrs of service to Alaska. She has been a CDA member for many years and we will miss her so much. You may see the Tabernacle that CDA donated in honor of all our members past and present, by attending Mass at Horizon House followed by lunch on Tuesday, April 14. 11:00 am. RSVP to me by April 10 (243-5688)

As you journey through Lent may Jesus lovingly guide you, stay always beside you, and answer each prayer that you say. May He be with you at Easter; and grant you His peace day by day. Happy Easter! *Linda*

## HOLY WEEK, April 5-11,

Check your parish for all services that will be taking place.

## Taking Stock of Our Spiritual Life



**SPRING RAFFLE**

Tickets are now available. They have been mailed out with a return envelope. If you are unable to buy or sale them, they can be returned. Call Arlene at 337-1343 if you need more tickets.

May 13 - Bishop's Attic Dinner. more info later

Financial Revue for committee will meet in April.

Reception of new members at Holy Spirit Center is to be changed to May 30th

**Did you pay your dues?**

Remember your dues are from July to June of each year. They are due in July of each year Thank you to those who have already paid your dues. Some are paid ahead. Check the date on your label **Highlight means it is due.** \$20.00 a year and call Dona Boschee if you have any questions about your dues 646-4626.

**Are you having a Birthday this Month?**

On behalf of all the members, we wish you a very **Happy Birthday.**

April Birthdays that we know of are;

**Edna Rosari  
Marjorie Nyman  
Mary Monaghan**

**Birthday's are a Gift from God! Open your Present.**

Help us update our birthdays. If we missed your birthday, let us know or if you know of someone's birthday also.



HAVE A CUP OF TEA WITH A FRIEND THIS MONTH.... A resident of Horizen House..... Providence extended Care or a neighbor unable to get out... Make a difference.



**What are the twelve reasons why you should be a Catholic Daughter?**

**PRAYER AND MASS CARDS**

**Pray in thanksgiving for all our answered prayers. (prayers are listed on our website during the month and when prayers are requested. see top of our newsletter for our website)**

Duane Hrubes, husband of Barbara (Bobbis) and son of Elsie, who is going for tests and possible surgery.

Joan Alles sister, Cathy Gerasi is suffering with lung cancer. Joan is leaving today, if the planes fly.

Genevive Hoffman, mother of Betty Johnson, passed away in Washington State on March 14th. She celebrated her 100th birthday in January. Prayers and cards may be sent to Betty Johnson, 3163 Linden Dr, Anchorage, AK 99502-3066

**Continue praying for:**

Joann White's great grandnephew Tyler had brain surgery Please keep him and his parents in your prayers.

Leila Nelson's son John Strauss. John has advanced MS Please keep him in your prayers and for Leila, who has health problems also.

Mary Monaghan for her health.

Please remember Pat Nightingale in your prayers for healing of leg infection.

Please remember Sheila Burgh in your prayers who suffers from ongoing pain and discomfort with various health problems. Sheila is one of the first members of Catholic Daughters when it was established in Anchorage.

Kathy Jellich is requesting prayers for her sister, Janice Jusala. Janice has very aggressive cancer

Continue praying for our members who are confined to their homes with illness or injuries.

Pray for our troops for their dedication and protection. And to help bring our troops safely Home.

Pray for our new adopted child in India Seema Vishwanath

Please pray for all the souls of the faithful departed in your prayers. Continue praying for the victims of disasters of the world



**Pro-Life News:**



Remember April 7th is a day to vote. Follow Catholic Bishops ideas on being a good citizen. Practice your right to vote. Keep in mind to observe what the candidates platform is. Call the Right to Life for Pro Life Candidates 276-1912. Observe, Pray about it and vote!!!!

Catholic Daughters is in support of the "One Million Rosaries for the Unborn Babies" in May 2009. It is something to think about. More information on the last page. .

Keep a close eye on and pray for those sponsoring the FOCA bill. Write your representative how you feel as a Christian on this bill.

For Pro-Life Issues  
Ann Curro 349-3772  
pbear1@gci.net



**To my wonderful Catholic Daughter sisters: Thank you all for your thoughtful and generous baby shower gifts for Marky. The jogger-stroller has all the bells & whistles and Mark & I are anxious to use it! Our little girl has brought enormous joy to our lives and we are thrilled to have you share in our happiness. Blessings to all.**



Thanks much! **Susan Truskett**  
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*Thank you to all those who helped with the Chrism Mass. Everyone always has good things to say about the reception that CDA has for this great event of the year. Thank you calling committee, work crew, clean up crew, and those who brought food!!*



NOTE: Bishop's Attic Dinner will

## What is happening at Your Parish.

Our court is represented by members of all parishes in the diocese. If there is any special thing that you think should be noted in our newsletter. Contact Arlene Romer at 337-1343 or arlener@alaska.com



### Two New Members

Sr. Loretta Luecke and Theresa Austin along with Fr. Dan, Our Chaplain and Linda Fleener, our Regent.

## When You Pray:

- Sometimes when you pray, you get what you want.
- sometimes when you pray, you get what you need.
- sometimes when you pray, you just get what you get.
- and sometimes God just helps you hang in there with what you've got!  
author Unknown

## MAY SHE REST IN PEACE:

We just received word that our Honorary Member, Mary Loucher has passed away. Our Prayers are with the family and may she rest in peace.



## NATIONAL NEWS.

during lent lets continue with our prayer for membership.

### MEMORARE FOR MEMBERSHIP-

Evelyn Saxton, National Chairman Spiritual Enhancement Believing that through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, our Patroness, we may obtain assistance in those things for which we ask, let us pray faithfully for the increase in membership of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas that we need to keep our organization vitally alive and growing. For this intention we pray;

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 unto 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.



from the National website- letter from National Regent,

Dear Officers, Chaplains, and Members, When you receive this letter we will be in the early days of the Season of Lent. It is a time for us to reflect on the blessed season of the Crucifixion and Resurrection of Jesus. When I was a child I thought as a child, and I was in the mindset that it was what I gave up for Lent that was important. As I grew older, I was taught that it was not so much what I gave up as much as what I gave during this season. The motto of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas "Unity and Charity" is what our organization is all about especially during the time of Lent. The Spirituality of our order is what will lead us closer to the Lord and his blessed Mother during this time.

Your State Convention should be well on its way. I hope your convention agenda provides time for spiritual, motivational, informational and fun activities. Conventions should be a time to learn, renew friendships, and make new friends. If you are delegate to the state convention, please go to the convention with an open heart and an open mind. May God guide and help you as you plan for this important state event. I wish you all very successful conventions.

### WHOOPDEDOO BARS

(From Linda Fleener, served at board meeting)

- 35 square shortbread cookies \* 1 1/2 cups boiling water
- 1 package (8serving size) or 2 packages (4serving size) Jell-O brand strawberry Flavor Gelatin
- 1/2 cup cold water \* ice cubes \* 2 cups sliced strawberries
- 2 medium bananas, sliced \* 2 cups cold milk
- 2 packages (4-servingsize) JELL-O Vanilla flavor Instant Pudding & Pie Filling
- 1 tub (8 ounces) COOL WHIP\*non-Dairy Whipped Topping, thawed

Line: bottom of 13 x 9 inch pan with cookies.

**Stir:** boiling water into gelatin in large bowl 2 minutes or until completely dissolved. Mix water and ice to make 1 1/2 cups. Add to gelatin, stirring until slightly thickened (consistency of unbeaten egg whites). remove any remaining ice. Sir in strawberries and bananas, Spoon over cookies.

**Refrigerate** about 20 minutes or until set but not firm (should stick to finger when touched and should mound).

**Meanwhile:** pour milk into large bowl. Add pudding mixes. Beat with wire whisk 1 minute. Let stand 5 minutes or until thickened. Gently stir in 2 cups of the whipped topping. Spread over gelatin layer. Spread remaining whipped topping over pudding layer

**Refrigerate** 3 hours or until set. Garnish as desired. Cut into squares, Store leftover dessert in refrigerator. Makes 15 to 18 servings.



..... ***on the Alter of the World.***

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***Sister Kathleen's vision for the Tabernacle at the Horizon House. It will be ready and in place in April.***

Come see the tabernacle at Horizon House Chapel,  
4140 Folker Street.

Mass at 11:00 am Soup or sandwich lunch will be served

Cost for the lunch is \$5.00

Please RSVP to Linda Fleener  
243-5688 or email  
[fleener61@gci.net](mailto:fleener61@gci.net)

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***Words from a letter from Providence Alaska Foundation to the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St. Pius X.***

We needed you and you were there. Thank you for your generosity and confidence in the Providence mission and our work. Gifts from those who know us well are always particularly meaningful.

The tabernacle in the new Chapel at Horizon House will be beautiful. As the heart of the Chapel, it will always inspire and encourage prayer and private devotion. The fact that it was given in honor of all past and present members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, who have done such wonderful work in this diocese, is especially significant. Sister Kathleen is one of your members and the new Chapel is a result of her passion and energy which she used to ensure this project became a reality.

From all of us at Providence, thank you for a generous and meaningful gift, and a permanent tribute to your organization. Susan Ruddy, President.

## Cosmic Eucharist

Jesus asked them, "How many loaves have you?" They said, "Seven, and a few small fish." Then ordering the crowd to sit down on the ground, he took the seven loaves and the fish; and after giving thanks he broke them and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds.

(Matt 15:34 -36)

"The Eucharist is always in some way celebrated *on the Altar of the World*. It unites heaven and earth. It embraces and permeates all creation. The Son of God became man in order to restore all creation, in one supreme act of praise, to the One who made it from nothing. He, the Eternal High Priest who by blood of his Cross entered the eternal sanctuary, thus gives back to the Creator and Father all creation redeemed. He does so through the priestly ministry of the Church, to the glory of the Most Holy Trinity. Truly this is the

*mysterium fidei*

which is accomplished in the Eucharist: the world which came forth from the hands of God the Creator now returns to him redeemed by Christ"

Pope John Paul II, Ecclesia de Eucharistia No. 8

*Lord give me each day the Bread of Life and teach me to bring it to others.*

Readings: Isa 25:6-10 Matt 15:29-37

There will be a going away reception for Sister Kathleen on April 23rd.

5:30 - 8 at Our Lady of Guadalupe. CDA will be helping with the reception.