

# Council of Catholic Women Spiritual Fellowship for Women of All Generations St. Mary Catholic Church, Rockledge, Florida November, 2020

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Pray for us

# A Message from Our President, Karen Aguilo Seara

The month of November is a reminder of all we are thankful for with a faith and understanding that all good things come from almighty God. I love writing down all I am grateful for, as it is always surprising to see how long that list truly is. Even in the most difficult moments He is with us and offers us the grace we need to face difficult times. So, as we are all preparing for the Thanksgiving Holiday, although it may be different from years past, I hope we are filled with abundant gratitude for all the Lord is offering us.

Our CCW meeting this month will be held on Wed. Nov. 18th at 6:30 pm with Fr Juan as our guest speaker. Once again it will be held in the Parish Hall with the option of attending via Zoom. Please rsvp to either hiddenpinestables@yahoo.com or text my cell at (321) 698-3972 if you are attending in the PH, to be sure we have space to socially distance in a safe manner. Please wear a mask for the safety of everyone. I will keep my computer close by during the meeting to maintain the ability to admit women throughout the evening. I will also have a cohost, so if you tried to get in last meeting and were not able to, I think we have sorted that out. Thank you again for your patience.

# **Upcoming Events**

November 18, 6:30 pm CCW Meeting, live or ZOOM

Speaker: Fr. Juan

November 19, 7 pm Adoration and Holy Hour: intention for Vocations

January 16, 2021 St. Augustine Right to Life March (save the date)

#### A Bit of Mirth

Four weeks before Christmas last year, Fr. Blake visited St. Mary Kindergarten Class. He was there to teach them about the Advent Wreath. After explaining Advent as a time of preparation for the birth of Baby Jesus, he showed them the 3 purple candles and then asked, "Does anyone know what the pink candle stands for."

Little Sara's hand went up. "Were they expecting a Girl?"

The following 5 Council Roles remain unfilled. Prayerfully consider one in which you might serve:

Treasurer; Corresponding Secretary; Parliamentarian; Leadership Commission Chair; Legislative Advocacy Commission Chair

Call Karen at 321-698-3972 for more information.



# Two New Burrowshire Podcasts

In these new episode of "The Burrowshire Podcast," Fr. Blake and Brandon Vogt discuss:

### 017 The Art of Leisure

In this episode, Fr. Blake and Brandon discuss how different cultures have understood leisure, how our modern culture has prioritized work over leisure, and some specific ways we can practice authentic leisure.

# 018 The Priesthood

In this episode, Fr. Blake and Brandon discuss the origin of the priesthood, why it exists, and its significance today. They also discuss how laypeople can help priests become better priests and what qualities define a great priest.

# Spiritual Commission Linda Helfeldt, Chairman

# Service Commission, Jeanne Rousseau, Chairman



Our <u>Lady of</u> <u>Good Counsel</u> <u>Novena</u> <u>November</u> (Month 4)

Mary, our Mother, you have always been concerned with the affairs of the world and of each person throughout history. Our Lady of Good Counsel, today, I ask for your intercession for a world in need of your guidance and for counsel in my own life.

For our nation, our state and our city: that all newly elected officials and those in public authority be given wisdom to govern by gospel principles.

That people of every nationality, faith and color come together to live in peace respecting the God-given dignity of each one.

For protection of everyone from the wiles and snares of the evil one.

For an increase in love, trust, and devotion to your Immaculate Heart that leads us to Jesus, pray for us. Blessed Mary, Star of the Sea, guide us now as you have guided pilgrims in years past. Be our constant beacon, a blazing light in this dark night, and lead us home to dwell with your Son forever and ever

-Amen

Please continue to pray for the students and staff of St. Mary Catholic School

## Religious Life

# Joan Bergin

We have arranged for a holy hour in the main sanctuary for Thursday, November 19 at 7 pm for the intention of vocations. In these challenging times, we need good and holy priests more than ever. It is our intention to have a holy hour monthly for this intention, and we will publish dates for you when they are firm.

Thank you for continued prayers for our seminarians. We still have a need for individuals or families to "adopt" one of these young men to support & encourage. St. Mary School children are making Thanksgiving cards for the seminarians.

The CCW is collecting money to give Christmas gifts to our priests and deacon. You can bring cash or check to our next CCW mtg or drop it by the church office ( place it in an envelope addressed to CCW with a memo indicating it is for Christmas gifts) Thank you.

If anyone is interested in offering any financial support to Lexi Buckner as she moves to Spain for her postulancy please mail checks, made out to her, to the address below. Lexi has shared with us that she needs financial support for new hearing aids and monthly expenses she is still responsible for over the next few years.

The Home of the Mother
2403 Atlantic Blvd
Jacksonville FL 32207
Attn: Alexandrea Buckner
Home of the Servant Sisters

#### Devereux

## Pat Cartrette

Good news...Monthly Mass for Devereux will continue in January.

Please continue to pray for the staff and students of Devereux. Due to COVID and current restrictions our presence on campus is not allowed.

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**Devereux (continued from Col. 2)** 

However, we do want to help in some small way with their needs. We will continue collecting plain black and white composition books (without spirals), school supplies (loose leaf paper, construction paper, washable markers) and books for their library.

We have also been asked to donating recreational sports items, such as soccer balls, footballs, basketballs, volleyballs and fishing equipment including poles. Since we do not have a designated drop off area, Pat Cartrette will accept any donation after morning Mass or Saturday evening Vigil Mass. If you have any questions, please call Pat Cartrette at (321)446-5559.

# Dignity of Life Susan Murphy

Our Council organized a fundraiser to the support of the JMJ Pregnancy Center. Their mission is to assist families make the decision for life. In so many ways they



walk with moms and dads who need support and this Catholic agency provides it.

With very little notice the St. Mary family, opened their hearts and their purses to donate \$1,450 in this single weekend campaign.

So we thank God for the generosity of the St. Mary Community and ask that we continue our prayer for the dignity and sanctity of life from conception to natural death