



# Council of Catholic Women

## Spiritual Fellowship for Women of All Generations

St. Mary Catholic Church, Rockledge, Florida

January, 2021

*Our Lady of Good Counsel, Pray for us*

Upcoming Events	
January 16, 2021	St. Augustine Right to Life March
January 26 8:30 a.m.	Mass for students/staff of Devereux
January 27, 7 p.m.	Talk on Joseph by Sharon Taylor and preparation for Parish Consecration

### A Message from Our President, Karen Aguilo Seara

Happy New Year! We are so blessed to have celebrated Advent and Christmas 2020 at St. Mary's with our church family and led by our amazing priests and deacon. All they did to guide us through this season made it powerful and a journey we are blessed to have been a part of. I hope you all had a great Christmas and New Year celebration.

The CCW Leadership team has been praying for all of you.

As you may have read in the Church bulletin, the Pope has proclaimed this a year of St. Joseph, the Patron of the Universal Church. So it is with gratitude for God's divine providence that we announce that Sharon Taylor is coming to share her devotion to St. Joseph with us this month. Those of you who have heard Sharon speak know how inspiration her personal testimony is...and St. Joseph is a big part of her story.

It is Fr. Juan's desire to offer the parish the opportunity to be consecrated to Jesus through the heart of St. Joseph. So, instead of a meeting on Wednesday, January 27th, there will be a community event in the main sanctuary beginning at 7 p.m. It will include Sharon's reflection on her devotion to St. Joseph as well as an explanation of the Consecration process.

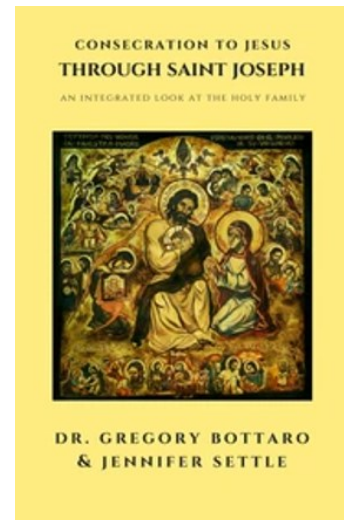
All are welcome so invite family and friends. We most especially desire for the men of our parish be present to listen to Sharon's talk as well as learn about this Consecration.

The Consecration process will begin on Thursday, February 4th with a Holy Hour, Music, and a Reflection by Fr. Blake.

Then we will journey individually or with our families, through the heart of St. Joseph for 44 days guided by the book *Consecration To Jesus Through St. Joseph, An Integrated Look At The Holy Family* by Dr. Gregory Bottaro & Jennifer Settle (books will be available following Sharon's talk)

Our parish wide consecration offering will conclude on March 19th, *The Solemnity of St. Joseph*, when we will be led in the consecration by Fr. Juan.

We wait with hopeful joy for the fruit of our growing devotion to our Lord through the heart of St. Joseph. We ask that you all pray for the men of our parish to have a desire to journey with us and become fervent protectors of our most Blessed Universal Church. May God bless you all with His joy, love, and endless generosity.



### New Burrowshire Podcast

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

[G.K. Chesterton and Pope Benedict XVI](#)

**Spiritual Commission**  
**Linda Helfeldt, Chairman**



Our Lady of  
Good Counsel  
Novena  
December  
(Month 5)

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 the women of St. Mary parish, that we may renew our love with your heart in a spirit of humility and serve your Son in endless devotion*

*...for the intercession of St. Joseph to increase the harvest of laborers to religious vocations and blessings on our priests and clergy*

*...for assistance to those battling difficult life decisions, for renewed hope and trust in your Son*

*...for the staff and children of Devereaux, for good health and joy as they begin this new year, to feel your presence and that of your Son*

*...for counsel in our outreach to women in our parish who may be feeling isolated and in need of support during these trying days*

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

**ENDOW**

A group of 9 women from our parish met recently for 8 weeks at home and online for an ENDOW study of John Paul II's Letter to Women . All agreed it was very fruitful and fun and would like to do another.

If you are interested in small group women's studies for learning more about our faith, sharing spiritually, and developing our sisterhood and feminine genius we will be starting again soon. More info about the studies can be found at

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

Please contact [Karen](#) or [Linda](#) with your questions or interest.

**Service Commission,**  
**Jeanne Rousseau,**  
**Chairman**

**Religious Life**

**Joan Bergin**

For Christmas, we gave gift certificates to Fr. Juan, Fr. Blake & Deacon Mike.

We gave cash gifts to Seminarians Edgar Serrano & Kyle McClure and also to Lexi Buckner. (Lexi is now in Spain)

Thank you for your generous donations for Christmas gifts.

Fr. Blake is now Assistant Vocations Director of the Southern Deanery.

We have a monthly opportunity for a Holy Hour for Vocations. The dates for these devotions will be published in the church bulletin.

Please continue to pray for all Seminarians & an increase in religious vocations.

Ten of the Seminarians have been "adopted" by CCW members. There is still opportunity if you are interested.

**St. Mary School**

**Jeanne Rousseau**

We wish the students and staff of St. Mary School a very blessed new year.

**Devereux**

**Pat Cartrette**

We had an overwhelming response to our request for gifts for the students of Devereux. We were able to fill all of their requests and they are very thankful Thank you...thank you...thank you for your generosity.



**Dignity of Life**

**Susan Murphy**

We were hoping to be able to either caravan or obtain a bus for the January March for Life in St. Augustine. But due to the COVID Pandemic we think it best that members who are interested go individually or with their own family or close friends.

Information on the many events in St. Augustine that weekend can be found at:

<https://www.marchforlifestaugustine.com/>