

# 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

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

Greetings from the CCW Leadership team. We are in a very special time in our Parish. At the very same time that we are journeying through the heart of St. Joseph to Jesus we will begin our 2021 Lenten season. In an overlapping of time, we will ask the Holy Spirit to lead us through a time of repentance as we continue our Consecration. We will look at our wounds and the ways in which we have wounded others, while we learn more about St. Joseph, the protector of our Blessed Mother, Jesus, and the Church. To me this is astounding to consider as another sign of God's outpouring of love and mercy for us.

Our CCW meeting for this month will be held Wednesday, February 24th at 6:30 pm live in the Parish Hall (please wear masks) and on Zoom. We will hold a short business meeting and then spend some time sharing our journeys through our Consecration to Jesus through the Heart of St. Joseph thus far. We will take some of the reflection questions from our books and discuss them in small groups to share our experiences with one another. We are going to attempt to break those on Zoom into small groups as well. Pray for this, as it will be our first time attempting to do this.

We hold all the women of St. Mary Catholic Church closely in our prayers. I pray that this time of prayer leads each of us to greater freedom through the love of the Trinity, always poured out for us, and the Holy Family. This is what we were made for. If you have any questions feel free to email me at

hiddenpinestables@yahoo.com or call/text at (321) 698-3972.

Karen Aguilo-Seara

## **Upcoming Events**

February 23, 2021 8:30 a.m.

**Mass for Devereux** 

January 24 6:30 p.m.

Membership Meeting (Live and ZOOM)



The 53 ODCCW Annual Convention is scheduled for May 1-3, 2021 and is titled "God's Vision For Us." The Convention will be held at the Hilton Melbourne Rialto Place and will be hosted by The Western Deanery and The Southern Deanery (which our CCW is an affiliate of). Fr. Blake is the Keynote Speaker and would love to see us there. Please visit Orlando Diocesan Council of Catholic Women and go under the heading ODCCW Convention 2021 for more details. Karen will provide more information at our February meeting. Convention raffle tickets will also be for sale at our February meeting.



# New Burrowshire Podcast

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

Catholicism in Lord of the Rings

## **Family Planning**

Do you have questions about Natural Family Planning or are you interested in learning more? Couple to Couple League offers classes in person and online.

NFP Classes | Course descriptions for learning Fertility Awareness STM

Are you someone who has practiced NFP within your marriage and feel you could be a support to someone in need? If so, we would like to know as we desire to build a community of support around the Sacrament of Marriage. Please email Karen at

hiddenpinestables@yahoo.com

# Spiritual Commission Linda Helfeldt, Chairman

# Service Commission Jeanne Rousseau Chairman



Our <u>Lady of</u> <u>Good Counsel</u> <u>Novena</u> <u>February</u> (Month 6)

Mary, our Mother, you have always been concerned with the affairs of the world and of each person throughout history. In 1858, you counseled Bernadette Soubirous in France, telling her where to dig in the ground to bring forth a spring where a great multitude of people would be healed of illnesses and infirmities for decades to come. 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. (State your intentions here)

For guidance for our families, pray for us. For counsel for families who are torn, pray for us. 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.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The following 4 Council Roles remain unfilled. Prayerfully consider one in which you might serve:

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

Call Karen at 321-698-3972 for more in-

### Religious Life

Joan Bergin

We celebrated Fr. Blake & Deacon Mike's birthdays with cards, goodies & gift certificates.

Please pray for our seminarians. We still have a need for penpals to adopt one of these young men to offer support & encouragement.

Thank you.

You can contact Joan Bergin at

joan4boys@gmail.com

Lexi Buckner is now in Spain and enjoys letters from "home". Her address is:

Servas del Hogar de la Madre Barrio San Julian, 20 39479 Zurita de Pielagos Cantabria Espana Attn: Lexi Buckner

Our former Sister Joan Grace, who taught at St. Mary School & was chaplain at Wuestoff, now lives in Ireland. If you would like to correspond with her, the address is:

Mount St. Vincent O'Connell Ave, Limerick V94K6EH, Ireland Attn: Sister Joan Grace

## Dignity of Life

Susan Murphy

Please continue to pray for the innocent children who are being sacrificed for worldly desires. Also, pray for the social service agencies that want to place children with families with a mother and father.

Mother Mary, Protectress of the unborn, intercede for us with your son

#### St. Mary School

#### Jeanne Rousseau

We provided hand-made valentines and treats for the teachers and staff for Valentine's Day.

#### Devereux

#### Pat Cartrette

Continue to pray for the students and staff at Devereux. And if you are able, consider attending the special Mass said for them monthly. February's Mass will be on February 23 at 8:30 a m

#### A Bit of Mirth

Father had a problem; he had to ask the congregation to pledge some money for church repairs. On his way to the sanctuary, he met the music director and asked him to play something suitable for the pledging. At the appropriate time, Father announced, "My brothers and sisters, we must make some repairs and need five thousand dollars. We must raise that money quickly. Any of you who are willing to make an additional pledge, please stand up. At that moment, the organist tore into the National Anthem.

....the whole congregation stood up