



Council of Catholic Women

Spiritual Fellowship for Women of All Generations

St. Mary Catholic Church, Rockledge, Florida

September, 2021

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Pray for us

A Message from Our President,



Best wishes to everyone and I hope you are all healthy and well. After delaying our kick off by a month, we are excited to begin a new year with our CCW of St. Mary Catholic Church. We have been in preparation all summer and are looking forward to coming together in community to love and serve our Lord and one another. From the National Council of Catholic Women to the State of Florida, and all the way down to the parish affiliation level, it is the structure of the council to have official membership. For our first two and a half years we chose not to do a membership drive and left our CCW open to give the women of our parish an opportunity to get to know what the Council of Catholic Women is, and become familiar with our ministry. We are beginning this year with a membership drive to head in the direction of the tradition of the CCW format, as it exists from the national council down. With that goal in mind, we invite all women of our parish to fill out a membership application and become a part of our parish CCW. All that is required is a completed form turned into the church office or any of the CCW leadership members. This does not come with any sort of participation requirement. As always, you can participate at whatever level is comfortable for you. We also ask for \$20 in dues for the year, which is not required in the event that it would prevent you from joining our council. The money will be spent on gifts for our priests, deacons, and seminarians, to purchase supplies for our service mission to our school, for project we work on throughout the year, or any other events we may host. CCW is a great way to stay connected to the women of our parish, to learn more about our Faith, and to serve within our parish. We look forward to a year blessed by our Lord, Jesus Christ and hope to see you at our Sept 21st meeting.

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St. Joseph, pray for us

Upcoming Events

September 7 (6:30 pm in church) Guest speaker—Fr. Matsey

September 21 (6:30 in parish hall) CCW Meeting

September 30 (6 pm in parish hall) Game Night

October 19 (6:30 in parish Hall) CCW Meeting

October 21 (6 pm in parish hall) Game Night

October 30 St. Mary School Fall Festival

Fr. Matsey from
Uganda



Guest speaker, September 7

6:30 in the Main Sanctuary.

ALL ARE INVITED

Bring friends and family

CCW at St. Mary Ministry Fair

On August 13-14 the CCW joined in the St. Mary Ministry Fair. It was fun seeing old friends and meeting women new to our church.



We have finally begun our membership drive and hope that you become an "official" member, especially if you have been with us the past 2 1/2 years. Membership applications are available from leadership team or from the church office



Our first two
"official" mem-
bers for the
2021-22 year



An evening of visual beauty, live music, and reflection that will open your senses to the secrets of God revealed in all creation and orient your whole life toward the satisfaction of your deepest longings...

purchase tickets online: at [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com)

In-person purchase of tickets will also be available soon

Spiritual Commission

Linda Helfeldt, Chairman

<p>Dignity of Life</p> <p>Jina Chaplow, Chairman</p>



Our Lady of
Good Counsel

Our Spirituality Commission would like to offer participation in Endow Studies this year. These are small group studies on the intellectual tradition of the Catholic Church that run 6-8 wk. Please see endowgroups.org for a list of all the studies this women's apostolate offers.

We would also like to offer a small group study on the book "When Women Pray" by Kathleen Beckman. This book reveals different styles of prayer and the impact prayer has had on women's lives. It will run about 11 weeks.

If you would like to participate in either of these studies, please email

ccw@stmaryrockledge.org.



Latest Burrowshire Podcasts with Fr. Blake and Brandon Vogt:

Moving Past the Liturgy Wars

Disney and Theology

Dealing with Shame



Ladies of Life Site

Subscribe for free. Join every week in addressing issues for, moms, sisters, and daughters in light of today's current events.

Topics are discussed from a Catholic perspectives - like how to handle vaccinating and masking our kids, the work-mom-life balance, protecting our children's innocence, facing the loss of a child, and much more.

Are you home alone? Would a phone call brighten your day? St. Mary's new Telephone Chat ministry is looking to connect any home-bound parishioner (man or woman) to those who like to chat it up. If you would like to join this ministry by making or receiving a weekly phone call, please contact Marie Bonner at

mariebonner38@gmail.com

or call her at 321-242-9317.



September 18, 2021

National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children

Click on the link below to see how you might participate, or mark that day on your calendar and join them spiritually.

<https://nationaldayofremembrance.org/>

If you would like to pray for intentions of a woman at Brevard County Jail, see Lynda Tempest. She has the privilege of visiting them weekly for Bible Study. Each week, they write their prayer requests on strips of paper which Lynda then carries in her purse to give to anyone who want to pray for that woman for a week

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“The woman’s soul is fashioned as a shelter
in which other souls may unfold”

Edith Stein

St. Mary School

Jeanne Rousseau

St. Mary Parent Teacher Organization

Our first PTO meeting will be held on Friday September 24th from 6:30 to 8:00 pm at the parish hall. It will be a cookout for the families and we have been asked to help. We are looking for donations of paper products, sodas and hot dog buns. If you have time, consider volunteering to set up, serve or if fingerprinted, supervise children on the playground. If you are able to volunteer, please contact me at:

jmmrous@aol.com or call or text 321-480-9554

Wednesday Prayer at Tiki Hut

Prayers at the Tiki Hut have resumed every Wednesday at 8:00am. Join us, spiritually or in person, as we pray for our school, teachers, staff and children. You may also join us for the Children's Mass at 8:30

Thanks to everyone who has prayed, donated and volunteered to enrich the lives of our children.

You are
appreciated

Four of our CCW members (Young Mamas) have taken on leadership roles for the enrichment of our school.

Mary Alice Leinback has organized a mentoring program matching new families with seasoned families to help navigate and build community at a new school.

Julie Kellgren is chairwoman for the Fall Festival. What a job! Her organizational skills have already raised \$15,000.00 for our school thru sponsorships.

Valerie Chascin has been called to establish a much needed PTO bringing together parents and teachers.

Natasha Mikse is in the process of starting a weekly morning coffee for the parents who drop off their children. They are all looking to our council for prayers and support as they strive to build community within the school and church. We are so proud of you all!

Fall Festival



St. Mary School Fall Festival is October 30th. The theme is "Pumpkin spice and everything nice". We have been asked to organize and run the basket raffle. This will include soliciting for donated items, preparing the baskets and volunteers to run the event. Suggestions for baskets: coffee basket, chocolate basket, Italian basket. Also we would appreciate the donations of gifts cards which we could combine to make baskets

At this time, please contact me if you know anyone who can donate for the raffle or silent auction.

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If you love to decorate for Halloween, please consider decorating the trunk of your car for our second Trunk or Treat at the festival.

*Fr. Matthias Lugendo is visiting
St. Mary Catholic Church
Tues Sept 7th | 6:30 pm | Main Church Assembly*

Fr. "Matsey" with some of his friends from Uganda



I can do all things through Him who strengthens me. Philippians 4:13

Come and learn about the Priesthood of Fr. Lugendo in Uganda, as he ministers to his community with food for their bodies and souls. Fr. Lugendo grows vegetables in his garden to feed the poor. He walks miles from village to village in Uganda to minister to his people. Please join us and be inspired by his story.