



Council of Catholic Women

Spiritual Fellowship for Women of All Generations

St. Mary Catholic Church, Rockledge, Florida

November, 2021



A Message from Our President
Karen Aguilo Seara

I want to share with all of you the power of prayer and perseverance within our CCW. When we first began our council one of the things that was most important to us was our desire to unite women of all ages and ethnicity to grow, love, and serve our Lord.

Although the secular world keeps women of various generations very separated, women in every season of life have much to offer one another. Women of all races and ethnic backgrounds benefit from joining together and learning about how we worship and love Our Lord.

We began praying for a CCW that would represent these values and have continued to invite women into the Lord's desire for unity. Busy moms from our school have reached out to ask for our assistance in growing community in our school. Women from our Spanish community are excited to come and share their devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe at our Nov. 16th CCW meeting. I am so grateful for the power and generosity of God to fulfill the desires of our heart.

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Pray for us

St. Joseph, pray for us

Upcoming Events

Tues., November 16	6:30 pm	Rosary to Our Lady of Guadalupe
Tues. November 30	6 pm	Bunco and Game Night

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



Our Lady of Guadalupe's visit to 46 different homes has begun. In each home, she will be honored by a rosary.

Please join us on November 16 at 6:30 pm when she will be with us in the parish hall for our monthly gathering.

We are so thankful to our Spanish community for giving us this great privilege and in joining with us we honor her in prayer and song.

Our Lady of Guadalupe,
pray for us

February 2, 2022

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 are available at the church office.

Get your tickets soon. We are expecting to sell out

**46 Rosaries for
Our Lady of Guadeloupe**

Beginning October 28th, our Hispanic community will celebrate 46 Rosaries for Our Lady of Guadalupe. This beautiful devotion involves inviting a statue of our lady of Guadalupe into your home and offering a rosary. Rosaries are offered each day with a novena at the end. If you would like invite our Lady of Guadalupe into your home and pray the rosary, please contact Vianey in the church office.

So that we can more fully experience this devotion, our CCW, will host our Lady at our November 16th meeting. With the help of our Hispanic sisters, we will offer a bilingual rosary with special songs and prayers. Great food and fun will follow.



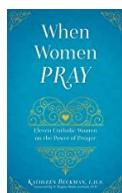
Save the Date:

On December 12th, the day begins early in the morning with a mariachi band, Mass, parade of flags, a play, food and lots of fun. We are so blessed to be invited to share in this wonderful celebration

Spiritual Commission

Linda Helfeldt, Chairman

CCW Book Club



After the holidays, we will be starting a small group study on the book "When Women Pray" by Kathleen Beckman. This book proclaims the joy of prayer and the wealth of grace entrusted to praying women. If you are interested please send me your name, email address and the time of day you will be available to meet for the discussions. The book is available on Amazon. Unfortunately, it is not available in Spanish.

[Click here to order book](#)

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ENDOW ADVENT SERIES ON DEUS CARITAS EST

(free podcast)

We are very excited to invite and share with all women of CCW and parish to a Podcast Advent Study series, on Benedict XVI's first encyclical as Pope, "Deus Caritas Est" (GOD IS LOVE). The study is being presented by the ENDOW Catholic women's apostolate and will run for 4 consecutive weeks starting November 30 through December 21.

There are different ways to participate which are offered through www.endowgroups.org. (all free!!)

It can be done individually as a personal devotion, or it can be done in small groups and discussed. It can be followed on Endow YouTube Channel playlist or on Endow Podcast each week. Signing up for the Endow Newsletter will give you weekly reminders of the schedule and links.

We will be guided through the study by Fr. Luke Doyle and Sister Karolyn Nunes and Simone Rizkallah, Director of Program Growth for ENDOW studies.

What a beautiful way to start the season of Advent, the Season of Love, to the foundational truths of love! And a great introduction to the ENDOW studies for the cultivation of the feminine genius.

Religious Life

Joan Bergin, Chairman

We still have seminarians for you or your family to "adopt" as your spiritual pen-pal offering prayers & encouragement.

Email joan4boys@gmail.com or text Joan Bergin (561) 331-6081 if you have questions or would like to participate. Thank you.



"It can thus be said that women, by looking to Mary, find in her the secret of living their femininity with dignity and of achieving their own true advancement. In the light of Mary, the Church sees in the face of women the reflection of a beauty which mirrors the loftiest sentiments of which the human heart is capable: the self-offering totality of love; the strength that is capable of bearing the greatest sorrows; limitless fidelity and tireless devotion to work; the ability to combine penetrating intuition with words of support and encouragement." (Redemptoris Mater)

Latest Burrowshire Podcast with Fr. Blake and Brandon Vogt:



[#029: Holiness in the Digital Age - The Podcast](#)

[Bonus: Reclaiming Vatican](#)

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Dignity of Life

Jina Chaplow, Chairman

Save the Date

The annual March for Life in St. Augustine will be on January 15, 2021. You may visit the web page and start making plans to attend.

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Please contact Jina if you would like us to consider joining other nearby churches in chartering a bus for the day or by chartering a smaller vehicle or carpooling.

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Pope Francis' words on dignity of life

Our defence of the innocent unborn, for example, needs to be clear, firm and passionate, for at stake is the dignity of a human life, which is always sacred and demands love for each person, regardless of his or her stage of development. Equally sacred, however, are the lives of the poor, those already born, the destitute, the abandoned and the underprivileged, the vulnerable infirmed and elderly exposed to covert euthanasia, the victims of human trafficking, new forms of slavery, and every form of rejection

(Gaudete et exsultate 87)

Please bring Christmas cards to our November meeting. They will be addressed and delivered to the elderly in our local assisted living facilities.

St. Mary School

Jeanne Rousseau

Fall Festival—October 30

A big thank you to everyone who donated, assembled and worked at the festival. We could not have been so successful without all of your support and prayers. A total of \$1364 was made on the raffle

Our CCW assembled 28 baskets and five more were donated by members at the last minute. Some were also given by vendors and parishioners.

We ended up with 37 raffle items. We ran out of space, so we still have five to six more baskets that can be raffled at upcoming events



Pumpkin carved by Fr. Juan



October CCW Meeting

Was he
alive at
the time
of Jesus

Do we cele-
brate a spe-
cial day for

We sure
need to
learn our
saints

Is my saint
a woman?

Is my saint
a man?

Got mine
first



Combining fun and service.....

In preparation for All Saints Day, we played a game in which we had to try to find out the name of the saint on our sign by asking yes-no questions around the room. This is much harder than it looks! The **last** person to name their saint was the winner of a book of saints. (Sorry Marie....The first shall be last, the last shall be first).

We then ate great food and prepared baskets for the Fall Festival Raffle using items donated by the CCW and the school and church community.

Join us in the friendship, fun
and joy of learning about
and serving our God.



Membership Application.pdf



Do you have your St. Mary CCW Shirt?

You may order one by emailing Karen at

hiddenpinestables@gmail.com

\$25 short sleeved only

Sizes: Small Medium Large Xlg (they run small)

Color: Navy (much prettier than it appears in picture)



Global Tours & Travel and Holy Name of Jesus

Invite you to Celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception
at the

[Basilica of the National Shrine of Mary, Queen of the Universe](#)

Wednesday, 8 December 2021



Followed by Lunch at Gaylord Palms Resort in a Festive, Christmas Atmosphere



**Pick up locations: Holy Name of Jesus, Indialantic 7:30am
Ascension Church, Melbourne 8:00am**

Transportation on new, sanitized motorcoach with professional driver, WiFi and washroom on board

10:00 am Mass

12:00pm arrive at Gaylord Palms for lunch at your leisure and enjoying the resort's festivities

4:00pm Return to Melbourne

Non-Refundable \$50 per person, (cash or check, \$55 credit card) upon reservation

Call GLOBAL TOURS & TRAVEL 321-676-6040 for reservations

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St. Augustine's Nights of Lights



Saturday, 11 December 2021

- Depart Ascension at 9:00am on a sanitized motorcoach that seats up to 50 passengers
- Arrive at St Augustine for the 12:00pm mass
- Picnic Lunch (sandwiches provided by Publix) at 1:00pm on the church grounds; picnic tables are available under a covered area
- 2:00pm one hour private trolley tour of St Augustine
- Free time after for shopping and dining until 5:45pm
- 6:00pm 30 minute trolley ride through the Christmas Lights
- Depart 6:45pm for Melbourne

Thank You from Fr. Matsey in Uganda



Through the generosity of St. Mary Community, we were able to raise almost \$2000 for Fr. Matsey during and subsequent to his talk. The pictures above show the villagers measuring and sharing the food that he was able to bring to them.

The following is the letter that he sent to Karen:

Dear Karen, I visited our people and brought them sugar, bread, rice, beans, salt and soap. We visited a total of sixty families, but since it is tedious to go from one family to another, I asked the people to gather in two places to make my work easier and shorten long distances. Each family received 4 kg of sugar, 4 kg of rice, 2 kg of beans, a bar of soap and a packet of salt. We bought 250 kg of sugar and 250 kg of rice. We bought 4 boxes of soap and each family received a bar of soap. The bread was not enough, but a least 30 families received a loaf of bread.

Here people were helping to put items into kilograms (pictures above)