

Council of Catholic Women Spiritual Fellowship for Women of All Generations St. Mary Catholic Church, Rockledge, Florida March, 2022

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Pray for us

St. Joseph, pray for us

A Message from Our President Karen Aguilo Seara

Dear Ladies.

As we begin this Lenten Season, I am grateful for the blessings leading up to the season:

"Made for More" proved to be the amazing event that we prayed it would be. The church was filled. I am sure that it touched hearts in a way that we will never know as we all learned of the dignity of every person and of God's desire to be our beloved.

We were blessed to hear Doris Golindano who spoke of her Ministry for single moms "Love is a Verb."

On March 22 we will have a speaker from Community Cenacolo which provides an opportunity for healing for those struggling with loneliness, depression and addition. We hope you will come to hear of this wonderful resource.

May God bless you all.

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Karen



Upcoming Events

Tues., March 22 6:30 p.m. Meeting in Parish Hall

Thursday, March 31 6 p.m BUNCO

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

Love is a Verb

Those who came out to meet Doris Golindano and hear her talk on her ministry were blessed indeed. The work she does is a powerful testimony of her love of God.. She is a great example of how we can all follow Christ in this life if we simply offer our day to the Lord.

Doris runs a ministry for single mom's in Brevard County called "Love Is a Verb." She develops relationships with these women to offer encouragement and tend to the immediate needs of their challenging lives. She offers them gas cards, gift cards to Walmart, clothing, money management classes, and her ear to listen to the challenges they face. All of the money to meet their needs comes from donations and the proceeds of her thrift store on Babcock Street in Melbourne.

How can we help her? We can mail or drop off gift cards to her thrift store, donate household items to the store, volunteer for a few hours to handle the retail end of the store or sort through donations, shop at her store, share her info on your fb page, contact her to help with holidays, respond to calls she receives for the North end of Brevard County to save her the drive up here. Doris is a very grateful woman and the smallest of help in her work brings her so much joy and gratitude. Open your heart to God and ask him if he is calling you to help in any way. You can contact Doris at loveisaverbminis-

try@gmail.com

You can see her talk on our CCW Facebook page

Spiritual Commission Linda Helfeldt, Chairman

St.Mary School

Jeanne Rousseau, Chairman

Dignity of Life

Jina Chaplow, Chairman



CCW Book Club

We are halfway through our book study of "When Women Pray" and growing in sisterhood/ community by sharing our prayer journeys.. spiritual friends are the best friends!

We encourage all to pick up an inspiring book this Lent and share reading/discussing it with another sister!

Religious Life

Joan Bergin, Chairman

Deacon Ralph & Deacon Mike both celebrated birthdays in Feb. Our CCW gifted them with a pair of saint socks and a birthday treat.

Edgar Serrano (from St Mary), Angel Garcia, and Zachary Parker will be ordained Transitional Deacons in April.

Continue to pray for the seminarians and religious as well as for vocations.

We heard from Seminarian Joseph Frey. See his note on the next page of the newsletter



Mrs. Bassinger will retire the end of June. She will be greatly missed and hard to replace. Please keep her in your prayers as she transitions into the next chapter of her life. Please also pray for the newly established team who will be searching for our next school principal.

Prayers at the tiki hut continue every Wednesday morning at 8am. If you cannot stay, you can e-mail your requests to Jeanne Rousseau <u>mmrous@aol.com</u> and we will keep you in our prayers. This week we focused on Prayers of Peace for Ukraine and for our school's Three year review accreditation.

Our next CCW sponsored school Coffee Hour is March 8th. We continue to grow in numbers and community. Since we are observing Lent, we will be serving pretzels and Irish soda bread.

Our CCW hosted a faculty coffee for our teachers on February 18th. They are always so grateful for our prayers and support.

The second major fundraiser for the school, Boosterthon (Walkathon) will be held on Friday March 11th. The school's goal is \$25,00.00. Please keep the success of this event in your prayers and if you don't have a child or grandchild at the school, please consider making a donation that will help to educate and shape our future Catholics.

Community Cenacolo

Our Next CCW meeting will be Tues. March 22nd at 6:30pm in the PH. This meeting is open to everyone. Bring friends and family to hear from Albino Aragno, who will shed light on Community Cenacolo in St. Augustine, Florida. Young people today are struggling with loneliness, depression and addiction. Community Cenacolo is an answer to that darkness centered around the Sacraments and life in community. We are so blessed to have this resource in the state of Florida. Come and become a resource to someone you may know who could benefit from the healing that Community Cenacolo offers to families.

For more information click on

Community Cenacolo



After hearing her inspiring talk on "Love is a Verb," we have offered Doris our help and asked her to reach out to us. She did and one of our kind members assisted a mother/daughter in need. Thank you to that member. (You know who you are).



Fr. Matsy reports that the filtration systems we sent for the villagers work well. We hope to send more in the future.

