



# Council of Catholic Women

## Spiritual Fellowship for Women of All Generations

St. Mary Catholic Church, Rockledge, Florida  
April, 2022



A Message from Our President  
Karen Aguilo Seara

*Good day to all of you. I am so grateful to have learned about the Cenacolo Community and I keep them in my prayers. I hope to have them visit again in the future or to have the opportunity to visit them together.*

*Lent has been a nice quiet time to pray and look for areas of my heart that need to grow in love and mercy. My grandmother did her "spring cleaning" twice a year. She took her beds apart and washed them, washed the wall, went through her closets and threw out old items making room for new things. What she did with her house is exactly what lent offers to us in our hearts and minds. It feels so good to go through and ask the Holy Spirit to thoroughly clean out my heart, get rid of anything old and dirty, to make room for the heart of Jesus. I pray you are all experiencing a good and challenging Lent.*

*It was about four years ago that Fr. Ivan first mentioned to me that he was interested in bringing CCW to St. Mary's. He asked me to pray about starting this ministry for the women of our parish. In all honesty that scared me to death and I felt completely unprepared to do any of this. I thought of all the reasons I could not do what he was asking of me. Then Fr. Ivan said one thing that was too hard to ignore... "what if this CCW helps one woman in our parish?" So, I said yes, to what has become one of the most challenging and fulfilling things I have ever done.*

*Our Lady of Good Counsel, Pray for us*

St. Joseph, pray for us

### Upcoming Events

Tues., April 26	6:30 p.m.	Meeting in Parish Hall (Work Party for teacher appreciation night)
Thursday, April 28	6 p.m	BUNCO

### Election of Officers

*This is the year of transition of our CCW leadership. I ask you to seriously discern whether you could be of service to our parish community as a member of the CCW leadership team for the coming year. The following positions are open for new leadership along with the persons currently filling them. Each one of us has agreed to stay on as a CCW member and promised to help the incoming woman holding the position we have held. Please contact any of us with any questions you might have:*

**President** - Lead the CCW leadership team and members to grow in faith and to serve our parish community. CCW does not have to be as it has been. There is always room for new ways of doing everything. Karen Aguilo-Seara

**Vice President** - Support the president and fill in in her absence to fulfill the mission of the CCW. Angela Lombardi

**Recording Secretary** - Take minutes at all CCW meetings and distribute information as needed. Lynda Tempest

**Service Commission Chair** - Lead the CCW in service to our CCW, parish and community as determined by the team and through prayer. Jeanne Rousseau

**Spirituality Commission Chair** - Lead the CCW in growing in our spirituality. Linda Heldfelt

**Leadership Commission Chair** - To make the CCW aware of govt legislature and issues that may need our attention. Open at the moment

**Religious Life** - To support those who have entered religious life through prayers, continuing our "adopting a religious pen pal" program, and providing appropriate gifts and cards of encouragement through our CCW. Joan Bergin.

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

The Feast Day of Our Lady of Good Counsel in April 26. We will offer this prayer to her at our meeting. If you are unable to be there, please offer the prayer from home:

God of heavenly wisdom,  
 You have given us Mary, Mother of Jesus,  
 To be our guide and counselor.  
 Grant that we may always seek  
 Her motherly help in this life  
 And so enjoy her blessed presence  
 In the life to come.  
 O Mother of Good Counsel,  
 Patroness of  
 The National Council of Catholic Women,  
 Intercede for us,  
 That we may be wise, courageous  
 And loving leaders of the Church.  
 Help us, dear mother,  
 To know the mind of Jesus, your son.  
 May the Holy Spirit fill us with reverence  
 For God's creation,  
 And compassion for all God's Children.  
 May our labors of love on earth  
 Enhance the reign of God  
 And may God's gifts of faith and living hope  
 Prepare us for the fullness of  
 The world to come.  
 Amen

**Religious Life**  
**Joan Bergin, Chairman**



**Congratulations to Rev. Mr. Edgar Serrano who was ordained a Transitional Deacon. We will continue to pray for him as he continues his final year to ordination to priesthood. CCW presented him with a beautiful St. Joseph statue.**

**St.Mary School**  
**Jeanne Rousseau, Chairman**

St. Mary Parent Teacher Organization will be hosting a parish-wide Teacher Appreciation party on Friday May 6th. The theme for the party is a fiesta. (see flyer on next page )

They are in need of help and are looking to all of the ministries to volunteer. There are many ways that you can help support this event. Our next CCW meeting, April 26th, will be a work party much like our meeting in October when we assembled the gift baskets for the Fall Festival. We will be rolling cutlery into napkins, organizing table cloths and assembling centerpieces and decorations. I have also asked Connie Freeman to help with organizing a dessert bake sale at the event. We will be looking for bakers and volunteers to sell all of the goodies. Finally, we are asked to help sell tickets to the event after masses two week prior.

Please pray for the following teachers, who will be retiring at the end of the year.

- Mrs. Sandy Basinger, Principal**
- Mrs. Claeys (6th)**
- Mrs. Mangieri (3rd)**
- Mrs. Phelps (PreK3)**

**Dignity of Life**  
**Jina Chaplow, Chairman**

*Community Cenacolo*

We were all so blessed to hear about the success of this ministry as they serve those with addictions and other issues. It was truly inspirational and we hope to be able to have them return at another time.

It is our hope that even one person present at this meeting was able to present this to a family member or friend who could benefit. There is no cost to the family of those who enter the community

**“Love is a Verb”**

Doris is in need of items for the annual Mommy Project which honors single moms with baskets on Mother's Day.

Items needed: gift cards, laundry detergent, cosmetics, etc. These items may be brought to the church office by May 3 to the attention of Jina Chaplow. Jina will get the items to her.

**ALIVE**

This very inspirational movie about the transformational power of the Eucharist will be playing at the AMC Theater in Viera for one day only on April 25.

Please see the attachment for more details about this movie.

**Let's fill the theater!**

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**2022**  
**TEACHER**  
**APPRECIATION**

*Fiesta*

— 06 May 2022 —

5-10pm Parish Hall and Courts

Dinner Served 530-730

Tickets available through Eventbrite & Church/ School Offices



## ALIVE: Who is There

Below is an excerpt from the Catholic News Agency regarding a film which will be shown in 700 theaters across America for one day only. One of those theaters is the AMC theater in Viera and the date is April 25. Let's save the date and fill the theater. For more information, read the complete article by clicking on the link below the excerpt:

Boston, Mass., Apr 7, 2022 / 15:58 pm

**A new documentary highlighting the transformative power of the Holy Eucharist will be debuting for one day only in more than 700 theaters across the United States on Monday, April 25.**

**Directed and produced by Spanish filmmakers, the Bosco Films and Hakuna Films documentary "ALIVE: Who is there?" features the testimonies of five men and women who share how the true presence of Jesus in the Eucharist has transformed their lives.**

**"This is not just a movie, but an opportunity for a movement toward greater eucharistic devotion and something that can help create a spark of revival in the United States," founder of Bosco Films, Lucía González-Barandiarán, said in a press release.**

**Tickets for the 90-minute-long, Spanish-language documentary, which is subtitled in English, can be bought through the movie's content distributor in the United State's, [Fathom Events](#), the same company that brought the Christian video series "The Chosen" to theaters for its Christmas special. You can search for the nearest theaters showing the film by going to Fathom's [home page](#) for the film.**

<https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/250912/alive-eucharist-movie-documentary?fbclid=IwAR2eEQF1iEwJCjkWIFkaY1c6CxO4s5xWIEB9SfYuxcpVgwSoi0YsvXY7uA>