



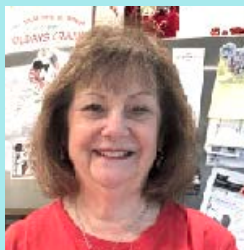
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"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13



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Leadership Symposium

Diane Owen, Loretta Terrana, Deb Ducharme, Sherry Low, Cindy Burnbaum, Jeana Wresh, and Linda Lauletta attended the ODCCW Leadership Symposium, where participants gathered around the theme of Inform, Inspire, Ignite! The symposium offered an opportunity for CCW sisters throughout the Orlando Diocese to grow in leadership, strengthen their commitment to service, and bring renewed energy back to their parishes and communities.

Inform

- Participants explored how team dynamics support the work of each commission, strengthen collaboration among commissions, and help members serve more effectively within their parishes and communities.
- Presenters emphasized that CCW is rooted in service and in a personal relationship with Jesus. Loving Christ means loving His people, listening to the needs of others, and offering help with Christ at our side.
- Members also received updates on the revised Commission Recognition Reports.

Inspire

- A patriotic rosary was prayed together outdoors by the riverside, offering participants a meaningful moment of prayer, reflection, and fellowship.

Ignite!

- The Ignite portion encouraged members to invest in one another by recognizing each person's talents, welcoming fresh ideas, and inviting more women to share their gifts in service.
- Participants were also encouraged to strengthen local councils by providing education on roles and responsibilities, offering spiritual support, and helping members grow confidently in leadership.

All presentations are expected to be available on the ODCCW website within a week or two.

Linda Lauletta



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Boxes of Joy



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**Mary's
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Spirituality

The month of August offers us two opportunities to spend time in devotion and reflection on our Blessed Mother.

"Today the holy, incomparable virgin enters the heavenly sanctuary that lies above the universe.....Today the holy, living ark of the living God, the one who carried her own maker within herself, comes to her rest in the temple of the Lord not made by hands. David - her ancestor and God's - leaps for joy; the angels join in the dance."

John Damascene, On the Formation of Mary

*Remember, O Most gracious Virgin Mary,
that never was it known that anyone who fled
to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought
thy intercession, was left unaided.*

*Inspired by this confidence I fly unto thee,
O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To thee do I come, before
thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful.*

*O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my
petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.*

Memorare

*On August 15, we commemorate the Assumption of our Lady
into Heaven. The dogma of the Assumption was formally
defined by Pope Pius XII in 1950. It attests to the fact that
the Assumption has been a consistent belief of the Church
from her earliest days. The dogma of the Assumption is
grounded upon Mary's intimate union and cooperation with
Christ. It is an expression of the great honor that he shows to
her in accord with the dictate of divine law. Moreover, it is an
indication of the triumph of God's plan for salvation.*

*And, on August 22, we honor the Queenship of the Blessed
Virgin Mary. In ancient Israel, it was not the wife of the king
who ruled as queen, but rather, the king's mother. We honor
Mary as the Queen because her Son is King. Understanding
this ancient royal office helps to explain the honor we
Catholics show to Mary and the reason we ask for her
intercession. As Blessed John Henry Newman said, "No one
has access to the Almighty as his mother has – none has
merit such as hers."*

*Let us take these two opportunities this month to raise our
hearts in prayer to our most Holy Mother.*

Deb DuCharme



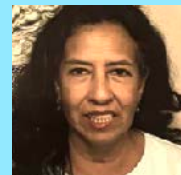
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Service

We have three events scheduled with Head Start during the 2026-2027 year, where our members will enjoy crafting activities with the children. We will also continue our monthly Bingo program at the Clermont Rehabilitation Center, providing prizes for the residents.

In addition, we are exploring a partnership with the Lake County Schools to organize a sweatshirt drive benefiting Families in Transition.

*We plan to expand our reading program by continuing our partnership with Head Start and establishing a new collaboration with the Early Learning Coalition of Lake County's **Help Me Grow Program** to promote early literacy and foster a love of reading among young children.*

Tillie Granucci

Boxes of Joy will be distributed during the Handmaidens meeting on August 4th and September 1st and the General Meeting on September 15th. Completed boxes will be collected during the Handmaiden and General Meeting in October. A flyer with items that can be included in the boxes as well as items that shouldn't be included will be emailed to the members. We will be mailing the Boxes of Joy out in November. You can shop for items during Back to School Sales Tax Holiday, which runs from Jul 20th, 2026 through August 20th, 2026.

Cindy Burnbaum

Handmaidens

In August we will be sewing bowl cozies to sell at our October CCW Craft and Jewelry sale. We will also be reaching out to the Blessed Sacrament Faith Formation group, HeadStart, JMJ, Children's Advocacy Center, Lake Hills School, and Fr. Ponce to identify their needs for the upcoming year.

Janet Mazzaferri

Spirituality

Mass for Care of Creation

The Vatican has approved a new Mass "for the Care of Creation," adding it to the Roman Missal among the Masses for Various Needs and Occasions. The new prayers and Scripture readings are intended to help Catholics reflect on their responsibility to care for God's creation in light of Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si'* (Praise be to You) that addresses environmental stewardship, climate change, ecological spirituality, and the moral responsibility to protect the planet. The prayers in the Mass emphasize gratitude for God's creation, responsible stewardship, and living in harmony with all creatures. The Scripture readings highlight God as Creator and humanity's call to trust in Him and care for the world He has made. Church leaders stressed that the new Mass is not simply about environmental concerns but about deepening faith and recognizing creation as a gift from God.

Barbara Wessels

Save the Date:

People of Faith at Living Hope Church will be Wednesday, September 23 at 10:00 a.m. in the Social Hall. Doors will open at 9:30 a.m. Their program will be presented by Laura Henry of the Greater Clermont Cancer Foundation, who will discuss the services they provide and explain how we can volunteer and support GCGF. A light lunch will follow the program.

Legislation

We are privileged to live in America where we have the right to vote and as Catholics the moral obligation (CCC2240) to vote. This is echoed in Pope Leo XIV's letter to America (<https://www.usccb.org/resources/48409-U000.pdf>) on our 250th anniversary. His Holiness calls us to reflect on "the responsibilities that the sons and daughters of this country bear to one another, and the generations who will inherit the nation that is being shaped." Please read His Holiness' letter and please register to vote if you are eligible.

Lake County Voter Registration:

<https://www.lakevotes.gov/243/Voter-Registration>



SAVE THE DATE

Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops
invites you to attend

Catholic Days at the Capitol

APRIL 6-7, 2027
TALLAHASSEE, FL

Legislative Briefing • Awards Breakfast

This is your chance to:

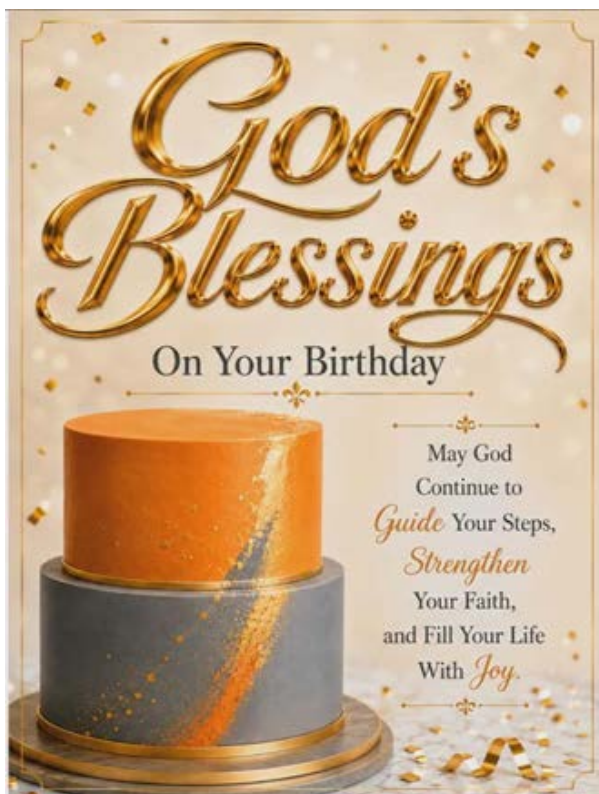
- Help lawmakers continue the important work of shaping Florida's laws for the common good
- Meet with legislators to advocate for the protection of human life and dignity
- Celebrate the 52nd Annual Red Mass of the Holy Spirit with the bishops of Florida

★ **MAKE THE TRIP • MAKE A DIFFERENCE** ★

Learn more & register! Visit FLACCB.ORG/CDAC

In preparation to vote, Catholics are called to develop a "well-formed" conscience. This is a life long endeavor. I'm looking forward to sharing Catholic Social Teaching nuggets in our general meetings to help us all grow and serve our nation in love.

Jeana Wresh



August Birthday

Cathy Bohusz.	Pat Kuntzendorf
Estelle Christian.	Barbara Martz
Nilda Davila.	Janet Mazzaferri
Tillie Ferrer	Kathy McGuinness
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Tina Gass	Dorothy Salisbury
Jill Hanusek.	Barbara Weiss
Margaret Johnson	