

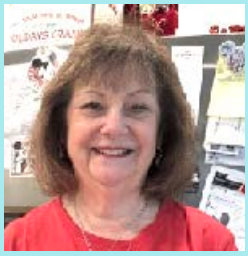
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"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13

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Tickets on Sale!

Join us for the 2027 Fashion Show and Luncheon on Saturday, February 13,2027 at Living Hope Church's Wesley Center./ Ticket price $35. Contact Diane Owen at 630-414-1652

Northern Deanery Representative

Save the date for the 59th ODCCW Convention, Co-hosted by Northern and Western Deaneries on **April 17-19, 2027** at the :

Florida Hotel and Conference Center, 1500 Sand Lake Road, Orlando, FL 32809.

As a CCW member of the Northern Deanery consider volunteering to be a hostess for one day of the convention.

Linda Lauletta

A Special Gathering of Faith and Generosity

Please join us:

Event: *People of Faith*

Date: *Wednesday, January 27, 2027*

Time: *10:00 a.m.*

Location: *Blessed Sacrament Social Hall*

Theme: *Mercy*

A free-will offering will be collected to benefit the children at the Head Start Program in Clermont.

Father Patricio Alfredo Sanchez Molinari

November 6, 1973 - October 17, 2026

The tragic death of Fr. Patricio Sanchez in Guayaquil, Ecuador during the celebration of the Eucharist is heartbreaking and hard to watch. A lot has been shared by the news media about his being struck by the falling Crucifix that took his life on Saturday, October 17, during a livestream Mass.

More important than the circumstance of his death is the message Fr. Patricio delivered in his last homily a short time before he died during the Mass. According to reports, Fr. Sanchez urged parishioners to prioritize God above all else and to spend time wisely, "Dear brothers, one day, all of us who are here will also die, and sometimes the time we've spent on things doesn't have as much meaning as the time we spend with God." He added that quality time given to God, to our brothers and to family is the best-spent time. His message invited people to reflect on their everyday priorities, strengthen family bonds and stay close to God.

May the soul of Fr. Patricio Sanchez rest in the peace of Christ until the day of resurrection. May God comfort his family, friends and the Catholic community he served, during this time of sorrow. Amen

"The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit." Psalm 34:18

Barbara Wessels



CCW Sunday: A Celebration of Sisterhood

A beautiful celebration of faith, friendship, and service as we come together as CCW Sisters to pray, share our blessings, and celebrate the special bond that unites us in Christ. Together, we are women of faith, women of service, and women of action!

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Tickets On Sale Now!

Join us for a beautiful and inspirational Advent Retreat, "Walking with Mary – An Advent Journey of Expectant Hope." Come spend a special day deepening your faith as we walk alongside Mary and prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ this Christmas.

We look forward to sharing this meaningful Advent journey with you!

Contact Loretta Terrana LORISAL98@AOL.COM

Mark Your Calendar

November General Meeting

Sweatshirt Drive
Speaker: Kristin McCall
Families in Transition

Thanksgiving Lunch

December General Meeting

Christmas Around the World Potluck Lunch

January General Meeting

Human Trafficking Awareness



Domestic Violence Awareness

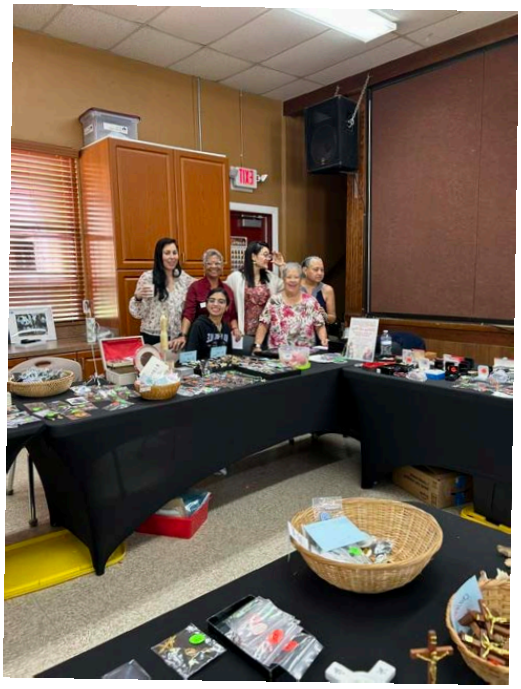
Kathy McGuiness

Julia D'Arts

Tillie Granucci

On behalf of all our Blessed Sacrament CCW Sisters, I want to extend a very heartfelt thank-you to Julia D'Arts from I AM A Safe Place for sharing her time, her heart, and her passion with us. We were truly honored to welcome her as our guest speaker.

A special thank you to Kathy for bringing Julia to us and helping make this meaningful & eyeopening presentation possible.



I want to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude to **Hope Williams** for doing such a phenomenal job leading our Craft/Jewelry Sale this weekend! Hope, you are truly an amazing CCW Sister, and your dedication and leadership are so appreciated.

Of course, we know that it takes a village to make an event successful, so a very special thank-you to all the wonderful women who volunteered their time and talents for the sale and hospitality weekend. Some of you worked tirelessly from the 8:00 a.m. Mass through the 2:00 p.m. Mass, and I am so grateful for your generosity, hard work, and commitment.

Iris Colon

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Ellie Clark

Sunshine

Legislation

Catholic Social Teaching Nuggets Rights and Responsibilities (Sept)	Life & Human Dignity (Oct)	Call To Family (Nov)

May our political engagement be guided by our Catholic faith.

May Our Blessed Mother guide us in confronting all inequalities and restoring peace in our communities.

May all Americans recall the necessity of dialogue, civility, and humility in this election season.

May all people understand the moral and ethical dimensions of political decisions and decide accordingly.

May voters & elected leaders uphold the dignity of every human life in their political engagement.

May Catholics recall all aspects of Catholic social teaching as they consider their votes.

May there be a transformation of politics to focus on the dignity of the human person and the common good.

May we keep in mind the gift of religious freedom and our duty to defend and exercise it as faithful citizens.

May the leaders elected this month be guided by the Holy Spirit as they fulfill their positions.

There are many resources to help us understand a political candidates positions. I encourage you to study the candidate's and amendments that will be on your ballot. Below, I have listed a few.

Resources:
Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops (FCCB) https://www.flaccb.org/
Florida Advocacy Network (FLACAN) https://www.flaccb.org/flcan
FCCB Election Materials https://flaccb.org/election-materials-and-guidelines

Jeana Wresh

Spirituality

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary – November 21

It is believed that this feast originated in the Eastern Byzantine liturgy around the sixth century. By the ninth century, several monasteries in the Latin Church began to observe this feast, and it was added to the Universal Church calendar in the fifteenth century. The details of the Virgin Mary's early life come to us from apocryphal sources. These sources are not considered to be part of the inspired word of God, i.e.,
the canon of Scripture, because they do not appear to have actually been written by an Apostle. Many early beliefs hold that Mary was the daughter of St. Joachim and St. Anne and was presented in the Temple as a child, and she lived out her childhood in constant prayer and solitude. As we celebrate the liturgical memorial of the Presentation of Mary in the Temple, we especially honor the fact that, regardless of the lack of certainty of
the historical details, the Blessed Virgin Mary lived a life of profound prayer and contemplation from her earliest years and continued to do so throughout her life. She always has been, and continues to be, the Immaculate One, the Sinless Spouse of the Holy Spirit, the first contemplative, and the one who dedicated her whole life to the service of the will of God. Even if the account of her presentation and childhood service in the Temple cannot be accurately accounted for in early writings, the spiritual reality of her total dedication to the will of God throughout her life is an indisputable dogma of our faith. For those who are entrusted with the guardianship and raising of children, allow your prayerful reflection on the holy life of Blessed Mary as a child to inspire you to help all young people imitate her profound faith and holiness.

Deb DuCharme

Service

HeadStart Fall Festival & Volunteer Opportunities

Our HeadStart Fall Festival was a wonderful success! We provided 110 pumpkins for the children and some of their teachers. The children were absolutely delighted to receive their very own pumpkins and other goodies. There is nothing quite as heartwarming as seeing the joy and excitement on those little faces!

A heartfelt thank-you to Lor and John Toth for their generous donation of pumpkins and for helping make this special day so memorable for the children. Your kindness truly made a difference! ❤️

We are also happy to share that Rehab Center Bingo will resume in November. Unfortunately, a COVID outbreak temporarily prevented us from visiting, but thank God things are back to normal!

We would love to welcome more CCW Sisters to join us in these wonderful ministries! Whether it's helping at a HeadStart event, reading to the children, or playing Bingo with our friends at the Rehab Center, these acts of kindness mean so much. The smiles laughter, and happiness we receive in return are priceless!

If you've ever thought about getting involved, this is a beautiful way to share your time, your gifts, and your loving heart with others. Please contact me if you're interested. I'll gladly help you through the fingerprinting process so you can join us.

You don't have to do something big to make a big difference. Sometimes, simply showing up and sharing a little love is enough to brighten someone's entire day.

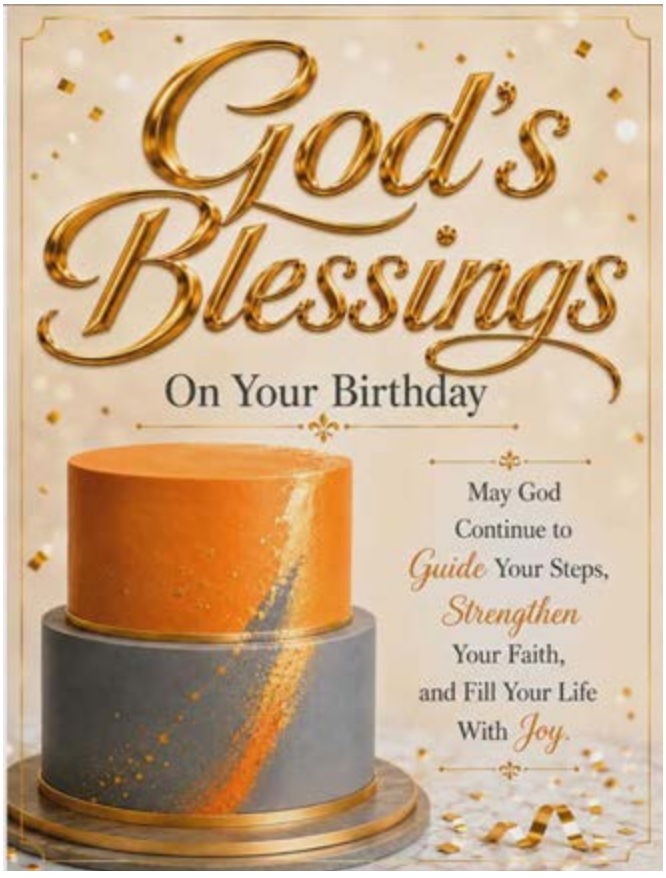
Thank you, dear Sisters, for continuing to live out our CCW mission of faith and service. Together, we can bring a little more joy into the lives of those who need it most! ❤️.

Boxes of Joy

Tillie Granucci

A big thank you to Cindy Burnbaum for making sure the Boxes of Joy were shipped out on time,October 28th, just as promised!! We are so grateful for her dedication and follow through helping make this wonderful project a success. We also want to thank Cindy for sharing her time and talents with our Service Commission team. Cindy thank you for your generosity, commitment, and willingness to serve.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



November Birthdays

Mary Ann Andrews 11/3

Holly Austin 11/19

Mary Connelly 11/24

Carolle Dalley 11/30

Anna Gaunt 11/6

Kay Giamboi i1/19

Diane Laria 11/17

Judy Mastroianni 11/1