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



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Letter from the President



GOD'S WILL BE DONE.

As I prepared to assume the role of President, I found myself reflecting on the journey that brought me here. I joined the Council of Catholic Women in September 2022. Following my husband's successful battle with cancer and the isolation many of us experienced during COVID, I was

seeking a community of women who shared my faith and a desire to give back in gratitude for God's blessings.

The past four years have been among the most meaningful and rewarding experiences of my life. I can honestly say that I am a better person because of my involvement with the Council of Catholic Women. As I step into this leadership role, I am reminded of Mary's Fiat—her faithful "yes" to God's call.

As leaders, we are called to listen and to serve. My role as President is to support, encourage, and serve each member of CCW. I look forward to working closely with our commission teams and the entire CCW community as we strive to make this a productive, faith-filled, and rewarding year for all.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve. I am excited for all that we will accomplish together through faith, fellowship, and service.

Blessings,

Loretta



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The **ODCCW LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM**, will be held July 25–26, 2026, at St. Stephen's Retreat Center in Titusville. This annual event provides Catholic women with an opportunity to strengthen their leadership skills, deepen their spirituality, and build lasting friendships with members from throughout the Diocese of Orlando. Through informative workshops, engaging discussions, and shared fellowship, participants will gain valuable insights to help them serve their affiliations, parishes, and communities more effectively. Whether you are a seasoned leader or considering a future leadership role, the symposium offers inspiration, education, and encouragement for every woman who wishes to grow in spirituality, leadership, and service.





I would like to take this opportunity to thank Nilda Davila, who is stepping back for a time to focus on other projects.

Over the years, Nilda has served as editor of the CCW Newsletter, co-chaired the Makers Market, and chaired several highly successful Fashion Shows. Her contributions to CCW are truly countless, and her dedication to our organization has touched every aspect of our ministry.

Nilda brings wit, humor, experience, and boundless energy to everything she does. Her enthusiasm and commitment have enriched our council and inspired so many of us along the way.

Thank you, Nilda, for your years of faithful service and leadership. We are forever grateful for all you have done and look forward to working with you once again in the near future.

Blessings,

Loretta



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL.....JULY 16

At the base of Mount Carmel, on the northwest coast of Israel, lies a Carmelite monastery named "Stella Maris"(Star of the Sea). It is built over a cave believed to have been where the prophet Elijah, inspired by God, challenged 450 prophets of Baal in a contest to the death. Elijah triumphed, and it is reported that a small cloud arose from the sea to bring rainfall that ended a 3 year drought.



The Carmelites dedicated a chapel to Our Lady on this site in the 12th Century. They interpreted this vision of the small cloud seen by Elijah to be the Blessed Virgin, a true "Star of the Sea". In 1726 Pope Benedict XIII dedicated a special Mass and office in honor of Mary and it became known as a celebration in honor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

The Carmelite order grew and spread and tradition has it that Our Lady appeared to the English Carmelite, St. Simon Stock in 1251 while holding the Christ Child in one arm and the brown scapular in the other. She said to him, "Receive, my beloved son, this habit of thy order; this shall be to thee and to all Carmelites, a privilege".

The Scapular represents a sign of salvation, a protection in danger and a pledge of peace. It reminds us of the gospel call to prayer and penance- a call that Mary models in a splendid way. Mary is the daughter of God and therefore can help us be authentic daughters of God. She can also help us to grow in appreciation of being sisters to one another.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, pray for us.

By Deb DuCharme



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ODCCW CONVENTION REVIEW

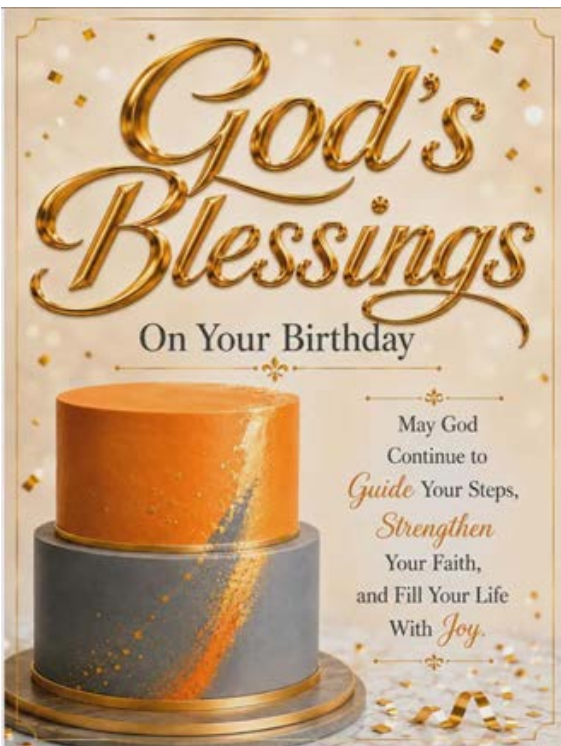
From April 18–20, members of the Orlando Diocesan Council of Catholic Women gathered to celebrate their faith, enjoy fellowship, elect new officers, and strengthen the bonds of sisterhood that unite Catholic women throughout the Diocese of Orlando.

The convention featured inspiring presentations from three keynote speakers: Fr. Angel Garcia, Deacon Jim Oates, and Lisa DuChateau, Director of Development and Marketing for Magnify of Central Florida. Attendees also participated in prayer, Adoration, and convention business sessions, while enjoying opportunities to connect with fellow CCW members from across the diocese.

One of the highlights of the weekend was the Roaring Twenties-themed dinner on Saturday evening, which provided a fun and festive atmosphere for fellowship and celebration.

We are especially proud to announce that our very own Diane Owen was elected Executive Officer of the Orlando Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Board. Diane has been an active member of CCW for the past nine years and has faithfully served in numerous leadership roles, including BSCCW Vice President June 2020 - December 2020; BSCCW President January 2021 - 2024; Northern Deanery Treasurer 2022 - 2024 and Northern Deanery President 2024 - 2026.

Diane's dedication, leadership, and commitment to the mission of CCW have been an inspiration to many. We are excited to have one of our own serving on the diocesan board and wish her every success in her new role.



July Birthdays

Connie Brewer

Irene Feyock

Sharon Gomez

Kathy Halpin

Jackie Jacobellis

Debbie Kopplow

Linda Lauletta

Service Commission Report

Nancy and Tillie wish to thank our CCW women for their generosity in supporting Mary's Handmaidens, your generosity has touched many in our community. Thank you also to those who volunteered at HeadStart and the Clermont Rehabilitation Center. Your kindness, creativity, and willingness to serve have been a blessing to CCW and the community.

Organizations we donated to in 2025-2026

Blessed Sacrament	Baptism stoles, Bereavement Blankets/ Prayer Shawls and Bowl Cozies, Other items for craft show
Headstart	Shorts/Shirts, Dresses, Cot Sheets, Activity Mats, Scarves/Hat
JMJ Pregnancy Center	bibs, loveys, burp cloths, blankets
Children's Advocacy Center	Quilts/tie blankets
Lake Hills	Bibs, Lovey's, Activity Mats and Dresses
Father Ponce	Dresses, Shorts/shirts, baby blankets
Box of Joy -	School supplies bags, bags or backpacks, scrunchies, Bead Kits, Sewing Kits and First Aid Kits
Clermont Health and Rehabilitation Center	Wheelchair blankets
Foster Children	Reading Pillows

