



A Poetic Journey of Faith

Our Lady of Lourdes Council of Catholic Women — October 2019

A note from our President

Welcome present and new members! By now, most of you have been receiving and enjoying, this new and exciting monthly newsletter from our official email address "OLOL CCW Comms Manager" which was created and is managed by Katie Morris, Treasurer. OLOL CCW continues to receive very positive feedback from our Membership – a special "Thank you Katie"!

Also, we have a new OLOL CCW *Membership Mentor Program* chaired by Donna McGinnis, VP, Leadership and Hospitality. This is an amazing opportunity to make certain new members feel welcomed and can easily navigate our organization. As a reminder, make sure to visit our *CCW* webpage on OLOL Parish's website which includes the newsletter, VDCCW, and National CCW websites.

OLOL CCW has some exciting events scheduled in the coming year with the hope that all our members will attend and bring your friends. The CCW BOD, Commission and Committee Chairs have been working very hard, putting in many hours to finalize the *CCW Member Blue Book* for print. OLOL CCW By Laws and Standing Orders have been updated, of which, members will vote on in November.

I am excited to announce that Our Lady of Lourdes was selected by the VDCCW (Venice Diocese Council of Catholic Women) as the host parish for their VDCCW Board of Directors meeting being held on Saturday, November 2nd with our CCW BOD serving as hostesses. Our CCW members and invited and encouraged to attend – this will be an amazing opportunity to meet the Venice Diocese Board of Directors and learn more of what CCW is all about and is doing in the huge Diocese of Venice. Details below:

- Saturday, November 2nd @ OLOL Parish Hall
- Continental Breakfast will be at 9:00
- VDCCW Board Meeting will begin at 9:30
- To reserve your Lunch, please mail your \$15 check no later than Oct 25th to Marianne Torgler, 160 Martin St, LaBelle, FL 33935

I am joyfully anticipating our first meeting tomorrow (10/2/19) and very much looking forward to a fun-filled, spirit-filled journey together for our 2019-2020 year.

Peace and Blessings in Christ,

Mary

CCW 2019 – 2020 kick off meeting is here

We look forward to seeing you tomorrow at our kickoff meeting ... join us for fellowship starting at 9:00am with the meeting starting promptly at 9:30am. Our special guest speaker is Ann Favreau introducing this year's theme of "A Poetic Journey of Faith". Also, this will be a great opportunity for you to sign up to participate in the Secret Sisters Ministry – this is a unique ministry that allows you to pray for a "secret sister" during this year.

Are you being spiritually fed?



"You cannot do everything, but you can do something. Do what you can, and you will find that hope has become a powerful force in your life."

Fr. Mike Schmitz, "Beautiful Hope"



Our Mission

Our Lady of Lourdes Council of Catholic Women supports, empowers and educates all Catholic Women in spirituality, leadership and service. Our programs are planned to respond, with Gospel values, to the needs of the Church and society in the modern world.

Upcoming Activities

Bridge – October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Grandparents Praying for Grandchildren – October 7, 14, 21, 28

Mah Jongg – October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Rosary Making Guild – October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Sewing Ministry – October 9, 16, 23, 30

Our Board

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Leadership

CCW book club – reminder

The CCW Book Club will be meeting on Thursday, 10/3 at 10:00am in the Grade 7 room of the Education Building. We will be discussing *Accidental Theologians* by Elizabeth Dreyer. The book for November is *Night* by Nobel Laureate Elie Wiesel. It is the author's autobiographical account of his time in the Nazi death camps and has been described as "heart-warming and infuriating and inspiring".

CPR Training Available in Venice

The City of Venice provides CPR training for class sizes of 10-11 people @ Fire Station #53 located at 5300 E. Laurel Road, Venice, FL. After completion of the class, you will receive a Heart Saver CPR card by email.

When? TBD

Cost? \$17 per person for materials

What does the training include?

- Chest Compressions
- Mouth to Mouth or Mouth to Mask
- Demonstration on the AED (Defibrillator)

Contact? 941-480-3030 for other questions or details.

You never know when you can save a life!

Mark your calendars

October 29, 2019 – Our Lady of Lourdes Respect Life Day for the **Fall 40 Days for Life** prayer vigil to end abortion is Tuesday, October 29, 2019 from 9:00am until 5:00pm. We will be praying in front of Planned Parenthood of Sarasota at 730 Central Ave., Sarasota. For more information call Kathy Yaglenski at 941-408-7558.

November 2nd (SATURDAY) – Venice Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (VDCCW) Board Meeting @ 9:00am in the Parish Hall at Our Lady of Lourdes ... come and meet your Diocese CCW. All are welcome to attend!

November 6th – CCW General Meeting will include the "Pink and Blue, We Welcome You" Baby Shower and shared salad luncheon and dessert. Please bring a salad to share for the luncheon. Our guest speaker will be Deb Scott who will share with us on how to be a healing communicator with yourself and others. She is the author of "The Sky is Green and the Grass is Blue - Turning Your Upside Down World Right Side Up". Also, our Sewing Ministry will be displaying their hand sewn items.

November 6th – Special viewing of "Unplanned" ... see flyer below for more details.

November 10, 2019 – Knights of Columbus and Catholic Charities Show of Shows ... see flyer below for more information.

December 11, 2019 – Christmas luncheon and the show the "Sounds of Christmas" at the Broadway Palm Dinner Theater in Ft. Meyers

February 19, 2020 – Mardi Gras Madness Fashion Show @ Plantation Golf and Country Club

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Key Links

[Diocese of Venice](#)

[Diocese of Venice – Council of Catholic Women](#)

[Diocese of Venice – Respect Life](#)

[Our Lady of Lourdes](#)

[Our Lady of Perpetual Help Retreat Center](#)

Church Women United

11/1/19: World Community Day Celebration – "Resolve to Love" program. Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 790 So. Tamiami Trail, Venice. Bring canned food for The Salvation Army.

1/3/20: Annual Meeting – Englewood United Methodist Church, 700 E. Dearborn St., Englewood. Bring canned food for Helping Hand.

3/6/20: World Day of Prayer Celebration – Lakeside Lutheran Church, 2401 So. Tamiami Trail, Venice. Bring canned food for So. County Food Pantry and purchase Spring Tea tickets.

4/3/20: Annual Spring Tea – Christ United Methodist Church, 1475 Center Rd. at 2:30 p.m., (doors open at 2:15). Tickets may be purchased from your church rep. or at the March luncheon.

5/1/20: May Friendship Day Celebration – Venice United Church of Christ, 620 Shamrock Blvd., Venice. Key Woman Awards and Dedication of the Least Coin from all the churches. Bring canned food for the Center of Hope.

11/6/20: World Community Day Celebration – The Salvation Army, 1051 Albee Farm Rd., Venice. Bring canned food for The Salvation Army.

Respect Life

Respect Life Ministry is dedicated to transforming today's culture of death into a culture of life. Pope John Paul II's encyclical *The Gospel of Life* provides hope and inspiration in the promotion of respect for all life, from fertilization to natural death. Want to know more about what is going on in our own diocese, click this link ... [Diocese of Venice Respect Life](#)



WHAT SHE SAW CHANGED EVERYTHING
UNPLANNED

Join us on Wednesday, November 6th at 6:00PM in the Parish Center as we show Unplanned.

Unplanned is an eye-opening story of the abortion industry through the eyes of former Planned Parenthood clinic director, Abby Johnson. A Pro-life advocate and recent Convert to the Catholic Faith.

Due to a graphic abortion scene in the beginning, the movie is rated R. Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Free event and NO Registration needed.

Contact elisa. Dacey@ollvenice.org or Kathy@yaglenski.com for more information



The Sounds of Christmas Bus Trip



Our Lady of Lourdes Council of Catholic Women invites you to join us as we travel to:

Broadway Palms Dinner Theatre, Fort Myers Florida

Show: The Sounds of Christmas Luncheon & Matinee

Date: Wednesday, December 11, 2019

Time: Bus Leaves from Our Lady of Lourdes Parking lot at 10 AM and Returns by 5 PM.

Cost: \$80 per person

- *Includes Lunch, Show, Transportation and Gratuity*
- *Reservations call: **Kathy 941-408-7558***
- *Make checks payable to: OLL-CCW*



Tickets now available!

Contact Bernadette Raftery @ (704) 968-9580 or raffs2@mindspring.com to reserve your seat!



MARDI GRAS MADNESS
Fashion Show & Luncheon

Hosted by
 Our Lady of Lourdes Council of Catholic Women

Wednesday, February 19, 2020
 11:30am - 2:00pm (Doors Open at 11am)
 \$40 per person

Plantation Golf and Country Club
 500 Rockley Boulevard, Venice, FL

Fashions by Patchington 

For tickets, contact Bernadette Raftery
 (704) 968-9580



CCW is continuing to collect jewelry

We are currently collecting gently used jewelry for the Jewelry Exchange and NOTHING is wasted ... not even a single earring! We are accepting donations now of any unwanted costume or estate jewelry ... all donations are greatly appreciated! For more information, please contact Gail Davey at (941) 493-7712 or kd967@comcast.net

Knights of Columbus and Catholic Charities

sponsoring the Show of Shows to support those in need in our area





Sugar Bowl SHOW OF SHOWS

Sunday,
 November 10, 2019
 at 2 p.m.
 Venice Performing Arts Center

FEATURING:
"Da Wop Legends"
THE MYSTICS

Tickets are \$25, \$30 or \$40 a person.
 For information and tickets
 visit www.veniceperformingartscenter.com.

All proceeds will go to the Sugar Bowl Fund for families in the community who are experiencing a financial hardship.

Hosted By   Presenting Sponsor **Walmart** 

This year's entertainment are the Mystics who will recreate their many appearances on Dick Clark's American Bandstand and sing their own hit records like "Hushabye", "The White Cliffs of Dover" and "Don't Take the Stars." Younger fans also came to know and love The Mystics' recording of "Over the Rainbow" from its prominent use in the hit TV show The Sopranos.

Tickets are on sale starting today (9/1/19) and can be purchased online at www.veniceperformingartscenter.com. If you are purchasing several tickets, feel free to go to the box office and save the fees. Also, the Executive Buffet will be available at Pelican Pointe after the show. You can contact Jessica at (941) 496-4653 ext. 223 or F&B@pelicanpointeclub.com to make your reservation. You will be able to put your groups together as you choose.

Remember ...

The greatest gift one can give is thanksgiving. In giving gifts, we give what we can spare, but in giving thanks we give ourselves.

~ Brother David Steindl-Rast

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