

Messenger

Our Mission Statement: *Catholic Daughters of the Americas® strives to embrace the principle of faith working through love in the promotion of justice, equality, and the advancement of human rights and human dignity for all.*

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Catholic Daughters of the Americas® Court St. Rita #409

Perham, MN



Motto: Unity & Charity
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Dear Court St. Rita #409 members and Chaplain Fr. Omar, I want to wish each of you a Happy New Year! I pray that each day of 2025 will bring you Peace, Health, Happiness and I look forward to working and praying with all of you as we carry out our work as Catholic Daughters. May we grow our Court in the numbers of members and activities. May The Catholic Daughter Mission Statement at the top of each newsletter be a reminder of who we are and as we read it, spark new ideas within Court St. Rita#409! Each of us is a blessing with unique gifts to offer. Thank you for staying involved with your CDA sisters through 2024 and beyond! Now is the time to reveal who your Advent Prayer sister was by sending a card or making a phone call. Thank you to Pat Hager for making up the names envelopes.

In this newsletter you will find information that is coming up and enjoy some photos from the December meeting. Thank you to Jolene Miller and Deb Roman for setting up the potluck and organizing a fun game for the evening. This was a fun night of socializing, receiving new members Denise Hanson, Judy Thomas and Joanne Knuttila, as well as honoring Fuzz Hammers for her 60 years of membership and service. Fr. Omar joined us to start the evening, leading us in prayer.

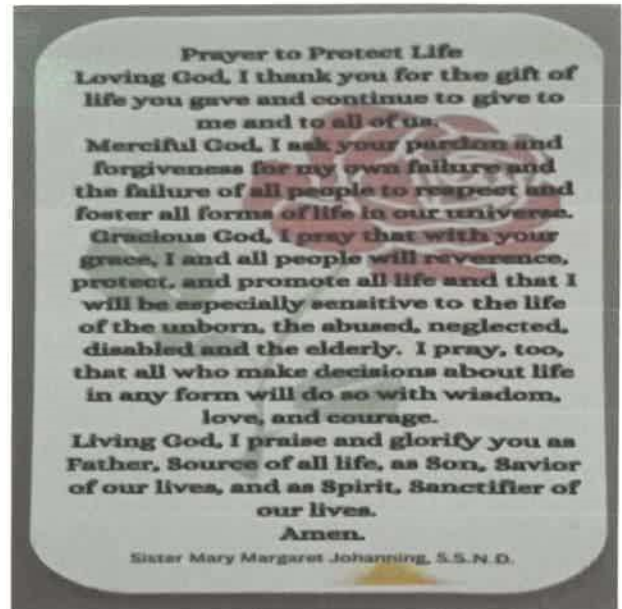
With prayers, may you all have a great start to 2025!
Regent Leanne



National Education Contest

Open to all students Catholic and non-Catholic grades 4-12 and Adult members of CDA. Please help to get the word out to youth that you know.

Themes are: "He who forgives an offense seeks love". Proverbs 17: OR "How do I feel when I forgive?" Categories are Art, Essay, Poetry, Computer Art, Music Photography. Entry forms are available at the churches or from Leanne Stoll. Local deadline is January 31, 2025. Complete entry forms can be dropped off at the church offices.



Celebration of Life Mass
January 23rd, 2025 at 8:45 am at
St. Henry's in Perham



Installation of new members
Judy Thomas, Denise Hanson &
Joanne Knuttila by Regent Leann
Stoll.



Celebrating 60 years!

Florence "Fuzz" Hammers – Congratulations! 1964-present! Thank you for all your contributions to Court St. Rita #409. Fuzz told me she reluctantly said "Ok, I'll join...but I'm not gonna like it!" Look what a leap of faith can do! Along with having served offices in the local and state courts, she continues to serve where she feels she can and with prayer and inspiration to others.



BIG SISTERS

Welcome new members
Dianne Rohde Szarke-Judy Thomas
Lynn Schwanke-Denise Hanson
Fuzz Hammers-Joann Knuttila



CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS

Father Omar prayed a wonderful blessing as we began our Christmas celebration. We enjoyed a potluck, fun night of socializing and gift exchange game!

Upcoming Events

January 7, 2025 7pm Rosary/Meeting/Snack

Snack-Cathy Doll, Sue M.

January 23, 2025 Celebration of Life Mass 8:45 am St. Henry's Committee: Dianne R-S, Mary S, Judy C.

January 31, 2025 Deadline for Education Contest

February 4, 2025 7pm Meeting



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Perham, MN

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CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS QUESTIONS?

Check out the Websites:

National Catholic Daughters www.catholicdaughters.org

Minnesota Catholic Daughters www.mncda.org

Our special **Seminarians** to pray for:

Grant Sharstrom, St. Francis de Sales Seminary
(from St. Michael, Duluth)

Sebastian Spencer, Saint Paul Seminary
(from St. Charles Borromeo, St. Anthony)

Jack Tyrrell, St. John Vianney College Seminary
(from Sacred Heart, Staples)

Henry Statz, St. John Vianney College Seminary
(from St. John Cantius, St. Cloud)

Rich Stenger, Maryland Seminary
(from Sacred Heart, Dent)

John Bell, Deacon Candidate
(from St. Henry's, Perham)



Our special **Men and Women Religious** for:

Renee Doll, Consecrated Virgin Living in the world
(from St. Henry's, Perham)

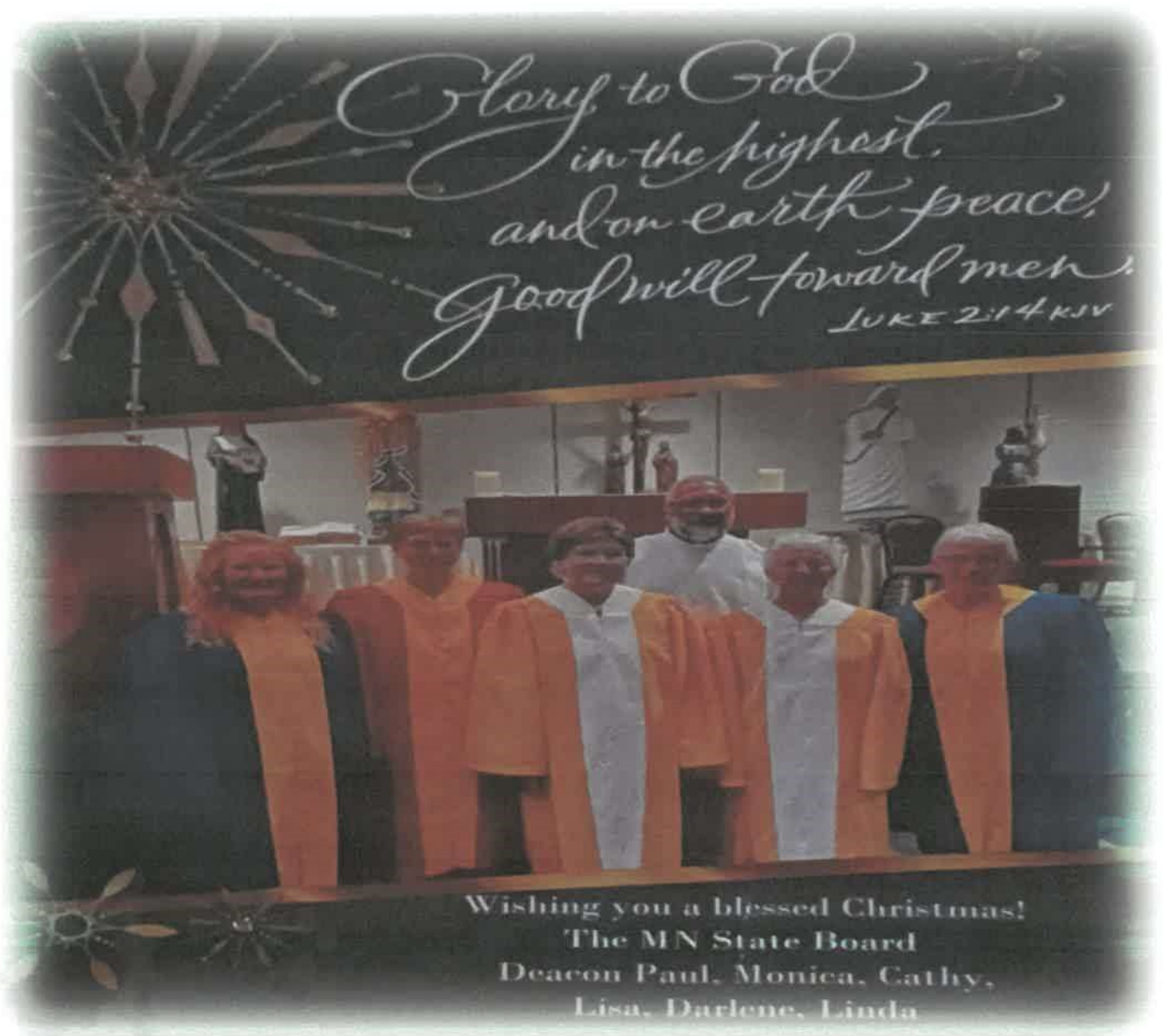
Brother Jacob Berns St. Johns Abbey
(from St. Henry's, Perham)

Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls, Rochester,
Sauk Rapids and Minneapolis.

Sister Rose Willenbring Dominican Sisters of Mary
(from St. Henry's, Perham)

Sr. Elijah Marie, Discalced Carmelite Nuns, Monastery
of the Holy Name of Jesus in Denmark, Wisconsin.
(from Sacred Heart, Dent)

Chairperson: Jackie Hager



50-50 Raffle:

The State Board has mailed each Court 2 tickets per person to buy or sell for \$5 each. When the tickets are turned in, each local court keeps half of the money and returns the other half to the State court, thus the 50-50 Raffle name! More tickets can be requested, they are numbered and all sold and unsold tickets have to be returned. We have until the State Convention in April to sell them. Winners will be drawn at the State Convention. We will discuss at the January meeting and hand out tickets.

51st Biennial State Convention April 24-26 Owatonna, MN.

First Call to Convention received. Court St. Rita #409 will be allowed 3 Delegates and 6 Alternates.