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SUMMER EDITION

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Hello Donna,

The Gospel from Luke this past Sunday really made me think of our beautiful Magnificat ministry. Since we consider ourselves handmaids of the Lord and look to Mary, our mother, for direction we should take her Cana comment "Do whatever He tells you" quite literally. The Lord appointed seventy-two others whom he sent ahead of Him in pairs to every town and place He intended to visit. He said to them, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." Luke 10:2 If Magnificat exists to evangelize, then reaching out is not only our personal mission by our Baptism but being a laborer for His harvest is our Ministry mission. Forty years ago, the Lord knew how important Magnificat would be *for such a time as this*. We know the last few years have been unprecedented on many levels. I'm encouraged when the seventy-two returned rejoicing and Jesus said, "Behold, I have given you the power to "tread upon serpents" and scorpions and upon the full force of the enemy and nothing will harm you." Luke 10:19 Too often we are convinced that we are powerless yet the Lord very clearly tells us otherwise. Do not be misled or deceived by the noise of the world. As He has told us on many an occasion, *be not afraid!* We need to recognize and listen to Jesus' voice, the only one that ultimately matters!

Wishing you and your loved ones a blessed summer.  
Donna Ross, Coordinator  
Central Service Team (CST)



*"Blessed is the nation  
whose God is the Lord  
(Psalms 33:12)*

### July

For the elderly

We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

### August



#### For small businesses

We pray for small and medium-sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.

#### September

##### For the abolition of the death penalty

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

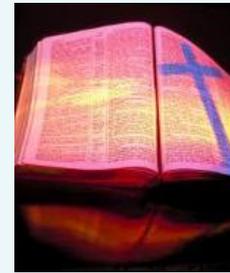
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## Liturgy of the Hours

From a work by Saint Bonaventure, bishop

### WITH YOU IS THE SOURCE OF LIFE

Take thought now, redeemed man, and consider how great and worthy is he who hangs on the cross for you. His death brings the dead to life, but at his passing heaven and earth are plunged into mourning and hard rocks are split asunder.



It was a divine decree that permitted one of the soldiers to open his sacred side with a lance. This was done so that the Church might be formed from the side of Christ as he slept the sleep of death on the cross, and so that the Scripture might be fulfilled: They shall look on him who they pierced. The blood and water which poured out at that moment were the price of our salvation. Flowing from the secret abyss of our Lord's heart as from a fountain, this stream gave the sacraments of the Church the power to confer the life of grace, while for those already living in Christ it became a spring of living water welling up to life everlasting.

Arise, then, beloved of Christ! Imitate the dove that nests in a hole in the cliff, keeping watch at the entrance like the sparrow that finds a home. There like the turtledove hide your little ones, the fruit of your chaste love. Press your lips to the fountain, draw water from the wells of your Savior; for this is the spring flowing out of the middle of paradise, dividing into four rivers, inundating devout hearts, watering the whole earth and making it fertile.

Run with eager desire to this source of life and light, all you who are vowed to God's service. Come, whoever you may be, and cry out to him with all the strength of your heart. "O indescribable beauty of the most high God and purest radiance of eternal light! Life that gives all life, light that is the source of every other light, preserving in everlasting splendor the myriad flames that have shone before the throne of your divinity from the dawn of time! Eternal and inaccessible fountain, clear and sweet stream flowing from a hidden spring, unseen by mortal eye! None can fathom your depths nor survey your boundaries, none can measure your breadth, nothing can sully your purity. From you flow the river which gladdens the city of God and makes us cry out with joy and thanksgiving in hymns of praise to you, for we know by our own experience that with you is the source of life, and in your light we see light.

#### REPONSORY

Psalm 103:2, 4; 34:9

Praise the Lord, my soul and never forget all his benefits;  
– he saves your life from ruin and crowns you with mercy and compassion.

Taste and see that the Lord is good.  
– He saves your life from ruin and crowns you with mercy and compassion.

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"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Acts 1:8

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Top Row L-R: Mary Wilson, CST Secretary, Maria Bolyan, Core Team & RCST Region 5, Donna Ross, CST Coordinator, Middle Row - Monique Moussot, RCST Region 7, Carolyn Wright, Core Team, Cathy Behrens, Core Team, Elise Botch, Core Team & RCST Region 1, Bottom Row kneeling: Colleen Swiatek, Core Team, Laurie Walsh, RCST Region 3, Joyce Mundy, RCST Region 4  
Not pictured: Alicia Marquez, Spanish Regional Team

## Communications Desert Summit 2022

By Colleen D. Swiatek, CST Newsletter Layout Designer & Elise Botch, Editor

After two long years of meeting on Zoom, eleven Magnificat women from around the country comprised of the Communications Core Team and Regional Communications Service Team (RCST) Members met in Palm Desert, CA, from June 9-13th to discuss the future communications needs of the Ministry. Yasmine Putnam, Communications Ministry chairwoman, Cathy Cato, RCST 3 and Michele Duet, RCST 4, attended via Zoom. We also appreciated Bishop Toups joining us to encourage us and bless our gathering.

Each day began with Mass at St. Francis of Assisi church in La Quinta to pray for inspiration from the Holy Spirit and our Spiritual Mother, Mary. We knew we had a lot of work to do in just 3 days.

Reunite and meet new sisters, we did---prayed, we did, work, we did --- laughed, we did --- cried, we did --- celebrate June birthdays, we did --- accomplish a lot, we did and then of course, EAT, WE DID!

Our Lady's Desert Roses, Palm Desert Chapter's Meal was on Saturday, June 11th. The Communications Team attended and helped in various roles as needed. The guest speaker was our own, Monique Moussot, the RCST for Region 7. She shared an awe-inspiring testimony full of obstacles but overcame the challenges with the guidance of the Holy Spirit and a group of faithful prayers warriors.

We ended our time together praising and praying powerful words of prophesy and knowledge over each other, a time of edifying our spirits and confirming our individual gifts to serve as Mary's handmaidens.

So, now, as we sing the words: melt us, mold us, fill us, use us, let us now pray for the Central Service Team (CST) who will take this work, done in the desert, to new heights as the Holy Spirit breathes on them. Our evangelistic mission is to market for souls!



Team hard at work



Looking at charts



Celebrating Birthdays



Palm Desert Meal



Time to dance



Praise & Worship

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### **Region 2 Has a New Regional Rep**

The CST is pleased to announce that Mary Rients, of Walker, Minnesota, has accepted the position of Regional Representative (RR) for Region 2. Mary is replacing Mary Harper who recently stepped down after faithfully serving the Region for many years.

Mary Rients was born and raised in Menomonie, WI,

attended Wisconsin State University at Eau Claire, and University of WI-Milwaukee. After graduation, Mary taught secondary English for 16 years. She later went into the temporary help industry as a placement coordinator for a medical temp service.

In 2010, Mary attended her first Magnificat Meal in Walker, MN and never missed another, feeling that the Lord had moved her to MN so that she could attend Magnificat. In 2017, Mary became the coordinator for Our Lady of the Lakes Magnificat in Walker, MN.

Mary is known to be very compassionate and gentle. She speaks softly and kindly to everyone, and always has a smile even when in pain herself. She loves the Lord and His Church with all her heart, and is a great prayer warrior. She exemplifies 1 Cor 13:4-7.



Mary possesses the pastoral gifts useful for a Regional Rep, knit with a love for the Ministry and the women in it.

We welcome Mary with grateful hearts and ask God's blessing upon her, her Regional Service Team, and all the Chapters in Region 2.

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### **Stark County, Ohio, Spouse of the Holy Spirit Chapter**

By Rosemary Pfiffner, Coordinator

Spouse of the Holy Spirit Chapter hosted a Meal on June 4<sup>th</sup> at the Barret Center in Stark County. Father Tom Cebula, Spiritual Advisor, gave a beautiful teaching on the love of God through the Holy Spirit as we prepared for Pentecost on June 5<sup>th</sup>.

Rosemary Pfiffner gave a short teaching about Word Gifts, affirming that God wrote a love letter (the Bible) to His people. He still speaks to His people who are listening and willing to share the Words given to them with His people.

In PJ Chavez's absence, Prayer and Praise was led by Jessica Pregizer, a Walsh student. She praised God through her gift of music in preparation for Pentecost, singing the song: "Holy Spirit, You Are Welcome Here."

Micky Wolf gave her testimony of the ways she has relied upon Jesus throughout her life. She shared the struggles of being from a dysfunctional background, working through the plans God had for her life (not always the ones she had!), meeting the love of her life, Greg; and taking training to become a Spiritual Director. In more recent years, Micky has suffered from pain and various health issues. It is her constant reliance on Jesus that has carried her through to this point. Her constant prayer is: "Jesus I trust in You."



Micky Wolf, Guest Speaker



Jessica Pregizer, Music Ministry

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## Mother of Mercy Chapter Fort Myers, FL hosts two Meals

By Janice Neyer, Secretary, Mother of Mercy Chapter

On February 26, 2022, the Mother of Mercy Chapter kicked off 2022 by inviting Debbie Herbeck of Renewal Ministries to speak at the Saturday morning breakfast at the Holiday Inn Airport. Debbie shared her journey from Judaism to Christianity and her entrance into the Catholic Church. Debbie has worked extensively in youth and women's ministry for over forty years, speaking and leading mission trips and mentoring high school and college-age women. She is the founder and executive director of Pine Hills Girls Camp and director of the *Be Love Revolution*, a ministry that helps women encounter Christ and enables them to be His love to all they meet.

Fr. Saji Ellickal was our guest speaker on Saturday, April 30. Hailing from India's southwest state of Kerala, Father told his inspiring vocation story. He said, "The most important inspiration for me to be happy is my devotion to the Holy Eucharist and seeking the intercession of Our Heavenly Mother Mary." Fr. Saji described the testing days during seminary, his ordination, and early assignments culminating in being named Parochial Vicar at St. John XXIII, Fort Myers, FL. "I thank the good Lord for trusting me with this divine call to minister to the spiritual needs of the faithful," he said.

Breaking for the summer, our Chapter looks forward to October 29, when local pro-life leader Maureen Nash will address us.

We live in historical times. Our prayers were answered with the overturning of Roe vs. Wade.



L-R: Debbie Herbeck, speaker and Felice Gerwitz, Coordinator



Fr. Saji Ellickal at Mother of Mercy Chapter Meal, April 30, 2022



Magnificat Meal with Debbie Herbeck



Praying over Debbie Herbeck before talk.  
L-R: Felice Gerwitz, Debbie Herbeck and Janice Neyer

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## Our Lady Queen of Peace Chapter, Orange County, CA

By Anne Hyatt, Secretary

On May 14<sup>th</sup>, Orange County, Our Lady Queen of Peace Chapter was privileged to host Fr. Ben Tran, priest of the Diocese of Orange. He is well known and loved in our Diocese, having served at a number of parishes as Parochial Vicar, and in the Charismatic Renewal since his youth. He shared with us a beautiful story of how he was drawn into the Baptism of the Holy Spirit despite his resistance! Through some powerful experiences, he came to know the personal love of God. In his college years, the call to the priesthood came. He has continued to grow in the Holy Spirit, and is a true light to the world. Fr. Ben has recently started a prayer group for young adults called "Dunamis", which means "Power" in Greek. He has written a song of praise to Our Lord, which he sang and played for us on his guitar. His testimony was an inspiration and reminder to us all, that we must continue to work for the advancing of the Kingdom of God!

In another exciting note, we honored Karen Moses and Lori Loy, who were stepping down from the Service Team after 20 years and 18 years of service respectively! Fr. Bao Thai, our Spiritual Advisor, announced Dr. Elizabeth Kim as our new Coordinator, and Michelle Harnish as Treasurer. Fr. Bao gave a special blessing for our Team, and all Chairwomen and Co-chairwomen.

Our attendance numbers have increased with this our third Meal since restarting our breakfasts in November. All are thirsty for the Holy Spirit, for healing, fellowship, prayer and love. Under Our Lady's Mantle, everyone experienced the Love and Mercy of her Son, Jesus Christ.



Lori Loy, Fr. Bao Thai



Fr. Bao Thai, Karen Moses



Fr. Ben Tran



Service Team: L-R Anne Hyatt,



Fr. Ben Tran and Fr. Bao Thai

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## Magnificat Rochester, NY Chapter

By Jeanne Walker, Chapter Secretary

The Magnificat Rochester Chapter June 11, 2022 Meal was Holy Spirit driven with guest speaker Kim Rodriguez-Torres to join us all the way from Florida. Kim shared her powerful witness with us including the amazing Bella's Blanket of Blessing Ministry she started.

On Thursday evening, before the breakfast, Kim introduced Bella's Blanket of Blessing Ministry to several women, including the Advisory and Service Team. We all had our materials and each of us made "Bella" blankets. They were blessed by Fr. Paul Bonaci and now ready to distribute to the sick, suffering and anyone else who needs prayer.

It was a beautiful, fun and spirit-filled time spent with Kim.



Bella's blanket completed



Fr. Paul Bonaci blessing the blankets



All women with their finished blankets



Praise and Worship



Kim Rodriguez-Torres giving her witness



Praying over Fr. Dan



Service Team (partial) with speaker Kim Rodriguez-Torres



Fr. Dan receiving a Bella Blanket of Blessing



Holy Spirit - SHAKE UP

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## Gentle Woman of Praise Chapter, Albany NY - Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

By Denise Fraioli, Chapter Communications Chair

We beckoned for the Holy Spirit to join us in our opening prayer, first strum of the guitar, clamor of the tambourine and sweet voices of our music ministry, Joyful Heart. Come the Holy Spirit did on Saturday, March 19, along with St. Joseph and the Blessed Mother at the Holiday Inn Express in Latham, NY, where we met for the first breakfast of 2022. The fruits of our group's labor were evident by the show of new attendee hands and new member packets distributed. There continues to be a strong cry for the Lord and we are really reaching these ladies! This was the first breakfast in NY since the lifting of the mask mandate. Magnificat sisters presented themselves as God intended, joyful and prayerful.

Our speaker, Louise Carson, Coordinator of the Rochester Chapter, radiated Christ in her spoken

word. Her message was powerful: "Life can be messy. God loves us no matter what, just as we are!" The raw emotions were visible throughout the room. It was evident this message needed to be heard. We are so thankful for her testimony and discipleship! Her beloved Brandon holds a special place in our hearts.

The Spirit came and the entire room was moved. Images were shared. We witnessed a miracle occur. Our sister Mary who suffered a near death experience several years ago, donned her best dress, wore beautiful heels, ditched her cane, and danced gleefully. After enduring over 23 surgeries, medical professionals told her this would never happen. We launched the Chapter Share 5-Star Campaign and it was very well received based on the generous attendee contributions to date.

Days later, we are all still riding the wave! God is good, all the time!



Louise Carson talking about Brandon



Louise Carson and Albany Service Team praying over Fr. Kyle Gorenski, our Spiritual Advisor



Praise and Worship lead by Fernando Gomes and Marilyn Gannon



L-R: Fran Schmidt, Kelly Stiffen, Louise Carson, Diane Bigos, Carol Heckman, Denise Fraioli, Nancy Hooley



Bob Carson, Chisom Erundu, Mary Powers



L-R: Nancy Hooley, Asst. Coord.; Denise Fraioli, Communication



L-R: Gail O'Brien, Music/Publicity; and Fran Schmidt, Historian

## Buffalo Chapter, Mother of Mercy -A Daughter of the King

By Michele Sedor, Historian

On June 12, 2022, the Holy Spirit hand-picked 191 God-loving women from the Buffalo, New York area to attend a Magnificat breakfast. They came to hear the beautiful witness of Mary Kate Jarosz, a woman with 5 grown children, who has been leading a prayer group called "Holy Wounds of Good Shepherd" for more than 40 years. Working as an operating room technician at a local hospital in Buffalo, Mary Kate shared many stories on how the Lord works miracles through her by the healing of

patients He sends her way.

One anecdote in particular was about an individual who was going to have a leg amputated. Mary Kate told everyone at the breakfast that when a decision is made to remove a limb the ruling is always final. However, in this particular case, while waiting for the patient to come into the operating room for surgery, Mary Kate began praying for the individual. She then felt the presence of the Holy Spirit fill the operating room. After the patient was moved onto the operating room table, the surgeon came in, unwrapped the leg and cancelled the surgery, since the leg was miraculously restored.

In addition, Mary Kate brought artwork to the breakfast which included a picture of Jesus appearing in an operating room with surgeons. She also told stories on how Christ continues to touch the lives of the individuals in her prayer group.

The Buffalo Chapter was truly blessed that day. It was clearly evident that most of the women who attended the Meal were touched by our guest speaker. Many stayed afterwards gathering around Mary Kate to continue to listen to her narratives.

Therefore, let us take a moment to give thanks and praise to our Lord who allows the Holy Spirit to work in us. Whether we serve the Lord in our Magnificat Ministry or serve him in other ways as Mary Kate, we should always remember as pointed out in her talk, we are all daughters of the King.



Mary Kate, speaker, placing a crown, Daughter of the King



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### Joyful Visitation Chapter, Atlanta, GA 30th Anniversary

By Donna Brisse, Chapter Historian

Atlanta was blessed on the 30th anniversary of our Chapter to have Sister Briege McKenna, OSC, as the speaker at our May Magnificat Meal. Sister Briege encountered the healing power of God over 40 years ago, and since then has ministered to countless people all over the world. She shared several amazing stories of how God has worked through her as a humble instrument to touch and heal people. Urging us to intercede with Mother Mary, she assured us that God works at any distance, and promised to pray for all our prayer intentions.

Sister Briege has ministered to bishops and priests throughout the world. She shared how God led her to Father Kevin Scallon, CM, with whom she collaborated in this ministry for over 42 years until his death in 2018. She then contemplated retiring, but God had other ideas, and led her to Father Pablo Escriva de Romani, who gave her ministry a new impetus, which continues to this day.

Our Chapter coordinator, Pat Forest, started the Meal by introducing Father Pablo, who gave a brief

meditation, both humorous and inspiring, about a little boy at Lourdes. When his sister wasn't healed immediately, he told Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, "I'm going to tell your mother!" The priest returned in a procession carrying the Blessed Sacrament and the girl was instantly healed.

Rosemary Geiger, coordinator of the new Nashville, Tennessee Chapter in formation, led the Rosary decade. Geneva Tigue, Atlanta Chapter worship leader, gave a moving rendition of her original song, "Fall in Love With Jesus," as everyone prepared their offerings. She then led an anointed time of praise and worship. Our new assistant coordinator, Monica Donohue, offered the prayer over the petitions and introduced Sister Briege. After Sister Briege's testimony, Pat Forest presented the kerygma (proclamation) and led a prayer of commitment.

The Lord provided in every way for this extraordinary Meal. Sister Briege approached the Chapter about speaking at the breakfast because she was already coming to the Atlanta Archdiocese that week! The church hall where we normally meet was too small to accommodate the number of women we knew would want to come, but St. Monica Parish generously opened their doors to us. The Lord told us to have contingency plans, so when one of the team members got sick, others stepped up to help the Meal run smoothly. Many women who had not been part of the ministry helped with the set-up, food service and book tables. Even the caterer went above and beyond: she spent the night before our Meal in the emergency room! Checking herself out of the hospital at 2 a.m., she stayed up all night to prepare our food, which was delicious.

After the Meal, Sister Briege took time to speak to many women as she signed her books *Miracles Do Happen* and *The Power of the Sacraments*. Praise God for this wonderful opportunity to reach out to many women who had never attended a Magnificat Meal before!



Pat Forest, Coordinator; Sister Briege McKenna, OSC; Jo Ann Rademacher, Treasurer; Monica Donohue, Assistant Coordinator; Donna Brisse, Historian; Cheryl Bryant, Secretary; Father Pablo Estriva de Romani

L - R: Pat Forest, Coordinator, Sister Briege McKenna, OSC, Joanne Rademacher, Treasurer, Monica Donahue, Asst. Coordinator, Donna Brisse, Historian, Cheryl Bryant, Secretary, Father Pablo Estriva de Romani

## Our Lady of the Lakes May Meal

By Mary Rients, Chapter Coordinator

Our Lady of the Lakes Magnificat in Walker, MN held a Magnificat breakfast on Saturday May 21st. Linda Reis, our coordinator, was our speaker. Linda led us through all the phases of her faith life culminating in her miraculous healing from stage 3C breast cancer. We all were blessed by all that Jesus has done in Linda's life. 34 women attended the breakfast. Because it was a smaller group, we had plenty of time for intimate sharing. Every guest introduced herself and spoke about how she had come to Magnificat. Our historian, Lorri Henning, was celebrating her birthday on May 21st so we surprised her with a cake which our guests enjoyed!



Linda Reis, Guest Speaker

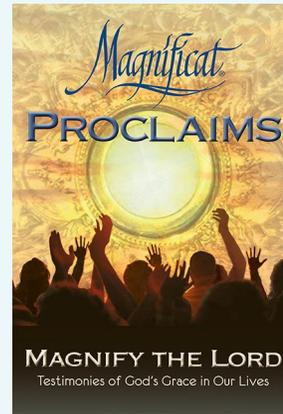


Lorri Henning and Father George Zeck

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## Palm Desert, CA - Our Lady's Desert Roses Meal A Testimony of Transformation

By Louise Erickson, Asst. Coordinator

Magnificat Palm Desert, CA Chapter's quarterly Meal was held at the Desert Willow Resort on Saturday, June 11, 2022. Monique Moussot, who is the Regional Communications Service Team Representative for Region #7, gave a compelling testimony, and we were held at every word. Much joy came from her as she told her story as she continues to be transformed by God's powerful grace. She has been employed over 30 years in corporate America and currently serves the Catholic Charismatic Renewal while working for the Archdiocese of New York. We were blessed to have other Regional Communications Service Team (RCST) Members attend from all across the country as they gathered in the desert for a planning meeting. Prayer during and after the Meal was abundant and well received by many. It is clear that nothing is impossible for God.

We welcomed two new members to our Service Team; Christina Silvas, Historian and Linda Dughi, Treasurer. We are so thankful the Holy Spirit brought us these gifted handmaidens.

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Guest Speaker Monique Mousset and  
Coordinator Noreen Fortier

Our Lady's Desert Roses Chapter Service Team  
L-R: Coordinator Noreen Fortier, Asst. Coordinator Louise  
Erickson, Historian Christina Silvas, Treasurer Linda Dughi  
Secretary Jeanne Potter



Our Lady's Desert Roses' Music Ministry, Garth, with  
guest musicians, Mary Wilson and Cathy Behrens



Fr. Alfano praying over the prayer petitions

## Our Lady of Fatima, San Angelo, TX Chapter's April Meal

By Elvira Gonzales, Historian

The Magnificat Chapter of Our Lady of Fatima of San Angelo, Texas hosted a prayer breakfast on April 23, 2022, at St. Margaret of Scotland parish hall. Diane Bates of the Grapevine Chapter was an inspiring speaker to one hundred ladies. Her message was about how through prayer and the intercession of our Holy Mother, her outlook on life and family life were both changed for the better. Confession was held during the breakfast and prayer groups were available after the end of the event. Spiritual Advisor, Father Bala Anthony Govindu gave a short talk on the Blessed Mother and the Holy Eucharist. At the conclusion of the event, Father Bala invited all the ladies who were able to stay to attend Mass. The Holy Mass was an unexpected blessing which made the morning all the more joyful and prayerful for all!

Beautiful praise and worship music was provided by Edward and Nora Hernandez and their band Sacred Sound.

All praise to Our Lord and thanks to His Holy Mother for All the blessings and help!



Diane Bates - Guest Speaker



OLOF Chapter Service Team:  
L-R: Mary Padilla, Elvira  
Gonzales, Father Govindu,  
Roxanne Adame, Vickie Rivero  
and Betty Rodriguez



Fr. Anthony Govindu



Advisory Team L-R:  
Anita Felan, Lenny Davis, Ilda  
Rodarte and  
Johanna DeHoyos



Sacred Sound Band in  
Praise and Worship



Ladies during Praise and  
Worship

## Suffolk Chapter, NY - Come & See

By Grace Braeuer, Chapter Historian

After a sabbatical due to the extended covid time, the Suffolk Chapter joyfully coordinated a Come & See brunch on Saturday, May 21st at St. Francis de Sales Church in Patchogue, New York.

Our newsletter included an invitation titled "Come and See what Magnificat is About". It included a note that the Chapter is looking for hostesses and greeters. Once the flyer was finalized and distributed, we filled up space quickly.

Our guest speaker was Father Liam McDonald, who is Pastor at St. Therese of Lisieux in Montauk, NY. Father Liam spoke about charisms - discovering your spiritual gifts and where you could fit in in the work of evangelization and our Ministry.

Our regional representative, Angela Rizzo, spoke about the history of Magnificat, described the positions we were looking to fill, and gave her beautiful testimony.

We had 91 ladies joining us for a delicious brunch of bagels and muffins, with 22 women expressing interest in the positions we are looking to fill.

We are looking forward to our next Service Team meeting, filling our open positions, and planning our Fall Meal!



Grace Braeuer, Historian



Angela Rizzo, Regional Rep



Praise & Worship



Praise & Worship Team



Attendees



Fr. Liam McDonald

***Most Precious Blood of Jesus***



## ***Most Precious Blood Devotion***

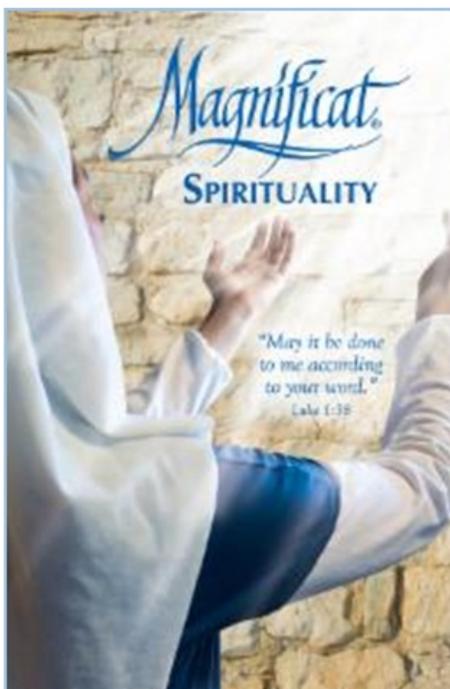
***Precious Blood,  
ocean of divine mercy:  
Flow upon us!***

***Precious Blood  
most pure offering:  
Procure us every grace!***

***Precious Blood,  
hope and refuge of sinners:  
Atoner for us!***

***Precious blood,  
delight of holy souls:  
Draw us! Amen.***

*St. Catherine of Siena*



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– Magnificat Central Service Team

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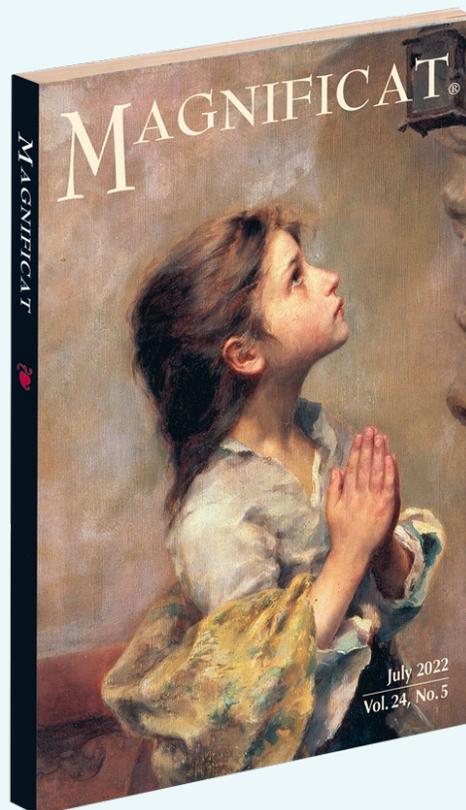
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## Praise Report

At the end of our Chapter's Magnificat Meal it is announced that prayer teams are available for individual prayer. A friend encouraged me to take advantage of being prayed over. I had never done it before, so I was a little hesitant. I



Praise the Lord

sat down and as they were praying for me, I felt the powerful presence of the Holy Spirit and angels surrounding us. I was so uplifted from the prayers and filled with joy. I was excited to share my experience with others and they commented I had a 'glow' about me. Since then, I have been more attuned to listening to the yearnings of the Holy Spirit and filled with such peace. Thank you, Jesus!



***As we just celebrated the 4th of July, let us continue to pray for true freedom for all of God's people and world peace. Have a blessed summer!***

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