

# FRAGMENTS

Orange Diocesan Council of Catholic Women  
(ODCCW)

Christ Cathedral - Pastoral Center  
13280 Chapman Avenue, Garden Grove, CA, 92840

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ODCCW MISSION STATEMENT

JANUARY 2020

*To promote among our Catholic women a greater devotion to Christ and the Church,  
as we share the Blessed Mother's role of bringing others to Christ through spirituality, leadership and service*

## CALENDAR REMINDERS

## JANUARY 2020



- Executive Board Meeting  
**Tuesday, February 4, 2020**  
Pastoral Center/Christ Cathedral  
8:30AM Social 9:00AM  
Meeting Open to all

- General Gathering  
**Tuesday, February 18, 2020**  
Christ Cathedral  
8:00AM Mass - Arboretum  
8:45AM Registration  
9:15AM Opening Prayer

- Executive Board Meeting  
**Tuesday, March 3, 2020**  
Pastoral Center/Christ Cathedral  
8:30AM Social 9:00AM  
Meeting Open to all

**ODCCW  
ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
Christ Cathedral  
Featured speaker: Dr. Pia de Solenni  
Tuesday, March 17, 2020**

The month of January is dedicated to the **Holy Name of Jesus**, which is celebrated on January 3. The first twelve days of January fall during the liturgical season known as **Christmas** which is represented by the liturgical color white – the color of light, a symbol of joy, purity and innocence (absolute or restored). The remaining days of January are the beginning of **Ordinary Time**, which is represented by the liturgical color green. This symbol of hope is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. It is used in the offices and Masses of Ordinary Time.

### The Holy Father's Intentions - January 2020

**Prayer intention for Evangelization - Promotion of World Peace:** We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

January 20: Saint Sebastian, Martyr

January 21: Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

January 22: Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr  
January 22: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of  
Unborn Children—USA Memorial  
January 23: Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin

January 24: Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor

**January 25: The Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle—  
Feast**

January 26: Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops

January 27: Saint Angela Merici, Virgin

January 28: Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor

January 31: Saint John Bosco, Priest



## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### ODCCW SUPPORT PROJECTS

#### WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

#### Joanie's Purses/ Catholic Charities

Used purses

#### Get on the Bus

Teddy Bears

#### Precious Life Shelter

Diapers

Trash bags

Baby Wipes

#### Homeless Ministry

SOCKS, SOCKS, SOCKS



### PRAYERS FOR INTENTIONS

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### REMEMBRANCE

Mary Sennott - health/family

Kathie Benoe - family

All our loved ones that are  
with the Lord

All the UNBORN everywhere

### OPENING PRAYER

Direct, O Lord our actions, by Thy holy inspiration, and carry them on by thy gracious assistance, that every prayer and work of ours, may begin always from Thee and by Thee be happily ended through Christ our Lord

Amen

### SALUTE TO THE CROSS

Unto the King Eternal, Immortal and Invisible, the only God, be honor and Glory forever – Amen

### CLOSING PRAYER

O God - who didst will that at the message of an Angel, Thy Word take flesh in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Grant that we, believing in Mary, to be truly the Mother of God and the Queen of Angels, may be ever protected and preserved in Thy grace through her intercession in the



name of Christ, Our Lord - Amen

Please join

NCCW Spirituality Commission

Monthly Rosary

NO December call-in

**February 17, 2020**

Dial In: +1 (515) 606-5163

Access Code: 703993#

5 p.m. (PT) 7 p.m. (CT) 8 p.m. (ET)

**Orange Diocesan Council of Catholic Women**

is affiliated with and supports the

**National Council of  
Catholic Women**

Acts through its members to support, empower, and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership, and service. NCCW programs respond with Gospel values to the needs of the Church and society in the modern world.

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Email address: [nccw01@nccw.org](mailto:nccw01@nccw.org)

Website: <https://www.nccw.org>

**Council of Catholic Women  
(ODCCW)**

**GENERAL GATHERING  
of Catholic Women**



*Our Lady of Guadalupe  
(Patroness of the Diocese of Orange)*

**DATE: TUESDAY, February 18, 2020**

**CHRIST CATHEDRAL CAMPUS  
Cultural Center/Atrium ground level**

**TIME:** Mass: 8:00AM - Arboretum  
Registration: 8:45AM  
Opening Prayer: 9:15AM

**TWO PART of the Series**

**Meeting on the Third floor - Cultural Center**

**Pope Francis**

This series will take a closer look at where Pope Francis is coming from, what he's trying to do and (best of all) what it all means for us. Attendees can expect to come away with a fuller understanding of this remarkable figure and a deeper appreciation of their own relationship with Jesus Christ. The presenter is Fr. Walter Woods, who taught moral theology at St John's Seminary in Brighton, MA and served for over 20 years as a pastor in the Archdiocese of Boston.

**Donation: \$20.00** (Includes: Continental breakfast and lunch)

***All CATHOLIC WOMEN are encouraged to attend & bring a friend!***

**\*PLEASE detach/send with your check payable to: ODCCW**

**\*MAIL to: Pat Martin, 9425 Reading Ave., Westminster, CA 92683—by Wednesday, February 12**

**Reservations: MUST be received by MAIL or PHONE no later than, WED, FEB 12, 2020**

**Pat Martin H: (714) 892-5219/C: (714) 866-0633 [jimandpatmartin@gmail.com](mailto:jimandpatmartin@gmail.com)**

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*ORANGE DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN*

***TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2020***

***ANNUAL CONFERENCE***



***Featured Speaker  
Dr. Pia de Solenni***

Mass  
8:00AM  
Christ Cathedral  
Registration Opens  
7:30AM  
Continental Breakfast  
&  
Lunch



***Praise & Worship  
Renee Bondi***

**\$50.00 per ticket**

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## **PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

Dear Friends and Sisters in Christ:

Welcome to 2020 - A new decade with a 20/20 vision for ODCCW.

It is with much joy and answered prayer, I am proud to announce, ODCCW has a NEW VP/President Elect in Mrs. Susan Navarrete. She comes to ODCCW from St Thomas More parish, is married, has grandchildren. Susan has been in a leadership role for many years and is involved with Cursillo-OC. For the past three years she has been Chairperson of "When Women Pray" attended by over 800+ women per year for the last ten years at St Thomas More parish.

Please when you meet Susan, know that she has prayed for several month's before hearing the call to join the Executive board for the 2020-2022 term and is committed to the growth and living legacy of the Orange Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. Thank you Lord!!

The Nominating Committee is formed for the election of the new Executive Board 2020-2022. Please be in prayer about your participation, involvement and direction of ODCCW. Forms are available and you can contact the Chairperson: Jackie Brandon at [jmissjacks@roadrunner.com](mailto:jmissjacks@roadrunner.com) or (714) 970-7846.

ODCCW's 2020 Annual Conference this year is going to be a "**BIG**" one. Held at Christ Cathedral for the first time and mass (hopefully) will be held in the Cathedral!! The Featured speaker: Dr. Pia de Solenni, a moral theologian, ethicist and cultural analyst and the theme "CHRIST WITHIN US" will be a dynamic presentation with Praise & Worship by our beloved Renee Bondi. Make your reservation early and come an enjoy fellowship, vendors, silent auction and what the Lord is doing in and through ODCCW.

May we always keep time in every day, for spiritual growth, being led to profess our faith to the world and serve whoever, wherever, to whatever the need is presented before us.

God is good, all the time! I look forward to seeing you in February!

Penelope Hecker, ODCCW, President 2018-2020

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### **ODCCW Executive Board "STATE OF AFFAIRS"**

#### **January 2020 Finances**

**Ck# 1048 - \$4,500.00** to the Bishop for Christ Cathedral - Altar Linens

**Tuesday, January 21, 2020 General Gathering:** - Christ Cathedral/ Tower of Hope

- White House Catering: **60** lunches
- Actual attendees: 76
- Guests 1

#### **Monies collected:**

- Water for Life: \$122.70
- Opportunity: \$173.00
- Registration: \$1,598.00
- Donation monies \$100.00

**TOTAL: \$1,993.70**

#### **Expenses:**

- Catering: \$1,008.54
- Room rental: \$ 190.00
- Continental breakfast \$ 71.91

**TOTAL: \$1,270.45**

# BEING CATHOLIC

Fr. Scott Borgman, J.C.D., ODCCW Spiritual Advisor



Dear Ladies,

I love being Catholic! This phrase is heard often around my home as my parents are also converts to the Catholic faith. At the beginning of this New Year, I would like to propose a brief reminder of the spiritual nature of the Catholic Church. As a family, we have only one totally spiritual purpose: the salvation of souls. This is the very reason for the existence of the Catholic Church. And this *raison d'être* of the Body of Christ contains an immediate apostolic significance: the bringing of more and more souls to the love of Jesus. The point is that the Catholic Church is supernatural. It is from God, not just a human initiative, being a part of the Church is a vocation, a calling. We are not just a bunch of good people getting together. When we begin to see the Church through the eyes of Christ, we enter into a new supernatural adventure and it infuses our own lives with purpose. God wants us to be saints, and to bring many souls to holiness. What are some of the things God provides to help us to become saints? You know what they are, because you hear about it every week in the Holy Mass. First of all Jesus himself, who comes to us in all the following ways: from the moment of our Baptism, he offers us the Life of God and His own personal friendship. At the Sacrament of Confirmation, we experience the infusion of the Holy Spirit transforming us into a “tabernacle” of the Divine Presence of God in the world. As sons and daughters of God, the Eucharistic food transforms us and nourishes our eternal souls toward eternal life. The sacred Scriptures also nourish us daily, and when we need an infusion of grace for the forgiveness of sins, we can take advantage of frequent Confession. Then some of you have received the Sacrament of Marriage where the two become one which becomes three or more as children are born. In the Anointing of the Sick, we are prepared for the presence of the Cross in our lives. Redeeming the suffering which allows us to participate in the sanctification of the world, turning suffering into a purpose. When priests receive Holy Orders, they become *alter Christus*, “Christ” to bring the Sacraments to the Faithful. And the context of all of this was wanted by Christ in Holy Mother Church. In order to represent the unity desired by Christ, He gives us a father on earth, the Holy Father Pope Francis. The Magisterium guides us to the whole

Truth of the Gospel intended by Jesus, and protecting us from error. The teachings of the Fathers of the Church also help to keep us on the right path, which is the Tradition of the Church. Then we have so many other helps like the Communion of the Saints, the prayers, the Fathers of the Church, the Saints and also relics. We best also consider how Jesus sees the Virgin Mary, who is our greatest talent. We want to see her through the eyes of Christ, loving her with the same heart and no less admiration than Christ gives her as his Mother, chosen by God to bear our Redeemer! The proper place of all these things, as Jesus intended, is essential. Today, many will come to you and say that some of these are not holy. Hogwash! They are trying to sell you something. Do not be lead astray by watered down versions of what Jesus Intended. The Catholic Church, and your parish is not just a circumstantial organization for a certain country in a certain time, it's not created just to solve a problem in Israel in the first century. It is Universally for all men and women of all countries and at all times. The Church is not a temporary solution. God wants it to carry on until the end of time. So the very spirit of Catholicism is recognizable as such, but can fit a great variety of people from all walks of life. We don't have to learn to fit into the world, as Catholic Faithful, we are already in the world. The Universality of the Church calls for a universal outlook, avoiding all division. Our hearts are open to everyone, especially in multi-cultural realities in the parish. Despite all the division in the world, we need to, in the words of St. Josemaría, “To drown evil in an abundance of good.” Thus, we can put our efforts into working for the good of the Church. Thus, everything we do comes from the Church and is for the salvation of souls. One of my favorite quotes from an unlikely place is “*Tradition is not the worship of ashes, but the preservation of fire.*” It appears in the writings of Gustav Mahler, an Austrian late-Romantic composer, and one of the leading conductors of his generation (7 July 1860). May we remember the place of the Catholic Church and how grateful we are for all we have received through Holy Mother Church. May this year remind us how lucky we are to be Catholic!

In Christ,  
Fr.Scott

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## **JANUARY 2020 - HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS MONTH**

**Elena Arriola-Freeman, 1<sup>st</sup> VP Spirituality**

Seven Things You May Not Know About Human Trafficking  
(and 3 ways to help)

***Pope Francis: “The trade in human beings, a modern form of human slavery, violates the God-given dignity of so many of our brothers and sisters and constitutes a true crime against humanity”***

You may not see the problem, but it's there. The US State Department estimates there are 24.9 million human trafficking victims worldwide. This is not something that occurs only in dark alleys in the far corners of the Earth, though. It's happening around the world every day.

Human trafficking is considered modern-day slavery, and there are more slaves today than at any time in history.

“They are hidden from view. You don't recognize them in the back kitchens, shops, gas stations and in hospitality. They are also tucked away in fields. They don't come out and ask for help. It's a different kind of slavery than long ago,” says Dr. Lucy Steinitz, Catholic Relief Services senior technical advisor for protection. “They are not in shackles or on plantations. People are coerced into harsh employment under horrible conditions, and then have no freedom to leave. They are beaten, violated and told they are worthless—that no one else wants them anymore.”

**Here are 7 facts about human trafficking you may not know, plus 3 ways you can help.**

### **1. The real definition of human trafficking.**

Human trafficking is the act of recruiting, harboring, transporting, providing or obtaining a person for compelled labor or commercial sex acts through the use of force, fraud or coercion. It's important to note, though, that human trafficking can include, but does not require, movement. You can be a victim of human trafficking in your hometown. At the heart of human trafficking is the traffickers' goal of exploitation and enslavement.

### **2. Types of human trafficking.**

Sexual exploitation and forced labor are the most commonly identified forms of human trafficking. More than half of the victims are female. Many other forms of exploitation are often thought to be under-reported. These include domestic servitude and forced marriage; organ removal; and the exploitation of children in begging, the sex trade and warfare.

### **3. Causes of human trafficking: It's complicated.**

The causes of human trafficking are complex and interlinked, and include economic, social and political factors. Poverty alone does not necessarily create vulnerability to trafficking, but when combined with other factors, these can lead to a higher risk for being trafficked. Some of those other factors include: corruption, civil unrest, a weak government, lack of access to education or jobs, family disruption or dysfunction, lack of human rights, or economic disruptions.

### **4. It's a lucrative industry.**

Along with illegal arms and drug trafficking, human trafficking is one of the largest international crime industries in the world. A report from the International Labor Organization (ILO) says forced labor generates \$150 billion in illegal profits per year. Two-thirds of that money came from commercial sexual exploitation, while the rest is from forced economic exploitation, including domestic work, agriculture, child labor and related activities.

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**5. Believe it. Human trafficking is everywhere.**

Every continent in the world has been involved in human trafficking. In the United States, it is most prevalent in Texas, Florida, New York and California. Human trafficking is both a domestic and global crime, with victims trafficked within their own country, to neighboring countries and between continents. Victims of trafficking can be of any age and any gender. Women and children are often used for sexual exploitation, while men are more likely to be used for forced labor. Globally, about one in five victims of human trafficking are children. Children are also exploited for the purposes of forced begging, child pornography or child labor. Their smaller hands may also be used in tasks like sewing or untangling fishing wire.

**6. We need to do more for migrants.**

All over the world, people are on the move. Many have been forced to become migrants because of conflict, a changing climate and economic instability. Some of these migrants are vulnerable to human trafficking. A United Nations rights expert is warning a new approach is needed. "Trafficking in people in conflict situations is not a mere possibility but something that happens on a regular basis," said Maria Grazia Giammarinaro, the United Nation's special rapporteur on human trafficking, in a speech to the U.N. General Assembly. "This means anti-trafficking measures must be integrated into all humanitarian action and all policies regarding people fleeing conflict."

**7. How to stop human trafficking: The three P's, plus a little more**

The U.S. government is at the forefront of efforts to address human trafficking. Its policy surrounds the three P's: prevent trafficking, protect victims and prosecute traffickers. The number of convictions for human trafficking is increasing, but unfortunately not proportionately to the growing awareness and extent of the problem. There are several reasons for that. There is an absence of anti-trafficking legislation in some countries. Sometimes the legislation exists, but law enforcement officials and prosecutors may not know how to use it. In some instances, victims may not cooperate with the criminal justice system because they have been threatened by a trafficker.

**THERE ARE 3 WAYS TO HELP STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

**1. Purchase a Trafficking Survivors' Kit**

After escape or rescue, trafficking survivors remain at great risk until they can re-establish their lives. CRS' kits provide a month's supply of food, medicine, bedding, clothing and hygiene items.

**2. Buying fair trade products supports businesses that treat workers fairly.**

**3. Reach out to CRS and visit their page about Human Trafficking and find out more ways you can help. [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org)**

Taken from CRS website: [www.CRS.org](http://www.CRS.org).

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## FAREWELL 2019 | WELCOME 2020

By Dr. Ida Pennella, PhD

*Service Committee Chair | Family & Community Concerns*



“Those were the days my friends, we thought they’d never end...” As I bid farewell to 2019, I am reminded of the blessings and challenges that many faced this past year and look forward to 2020 with renewed hope. As Alfred Tennyson said, “Hope smiles from the threshold of the year to come, whispering ‘it will be happier’.” From Psalm 9:18 “God will never forget the needy; the hope of the afflicted will never perish.”

What is your hope for 2020? Have you made a New Year’s resolution? The Babylonians started the practice of New Year resolutions over 3,000 years ago by making promise to their gods at the start of each year to return borrowed objects and pay their debts. The Romans started their year by making promises to the god Janus. During the Medieval era, Knights made a “peacock vow” to re-affirm their commitment to chivalry. At watch-night services, many Christians prayed and made resolutions to prepare for the year ahead. Jewish traditions include Rosh Hashanah, High Holidays, and Yom Kippur to reflect on wrongdoings and seek forgiveness. The traditional New Year’s resolution practice stems from the Catholic Lenten sacrifice. No matter what creed, most people seek areas of self-improvement as their New Year’s resolution.

What is your New Year’s resolution? Will you look within and “train yourself to be godly” as is written in 1 Timothy 4:7-8?

Here are some ideas for Christian resolutions.

1. Pray for wisdom. “If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you” James 1:5.
2. Ask God to reveal His goals for you
3. Rely on God’s strength to help you. “I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me” Philippians 4:13.
4. Trust in God. “Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him and he will do this” Psalm 37:5.
5. Give glory to God. “My son, give glory to the LORD, the God of Israel, and honor him” Joshua 7:19.

### **Sources:**

1. <http://www.gotquestions.org/new-years-resolution.html>
2. <http://www.goodreads.com/quotes/tag/new-year>
3. [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New\\_Year%27s\\_resolution](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_Year%27s_resolution)



Ecclesiastical Province of Los Angeles

## **ECCLESIASTICAL PROVINCE OF LOS ANGELES ANNUAL MEETING**

**FEBRUARY 28, 29 & MARCH 1, 2020**

**AYERS SUITES  
22677 Oakcrest Circle  
Yorba Linda, CA 92887**

**714 921-8688 [www.ayersyorbalinda.com](http://www.ayersyorbalinda.com)**

**\$175.00/person includes Friday dinner, Saturday lunch and dinner and all program materials.**

**Guest room: \$109.00 per night. Room will accommodate up to 4 persons per room for the same cost. The room includes: complimentary Hot Buffet Breakfast, Wi-Fi, Parking, Ayers DreamSleeper Mattresses, Mini Refrigerator, Microwave & Coffee Maker, Access to Outdoor Pool/Spa, Fitness Room & Putting Green. You must make your own room reservations. Rooms are under: "Ecclesiastical Province of Los Angeles."**

**More Information will follow. If you have any questions, please call Jackie Brandon, Province Director at 714-970-7846 or email [jmissjacks@roadrunner.com](mailto:jmissjacks@roadrunner.com)**

