

ASSOCIATION OF LADIES OF CHARITY
DIOCESE OF PITTSBURGH
2900 Noblestown Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15205

October 1, 2026

Dear Presidents: **PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH ALL YOUR MEMBERS
EITHER BY EMAIL OR HARDCOPY**

“Bitter thoughts come from the evil spirit; those from Our Lord are gentle and mild.”

St. Vincent de Paul

Lord, it is so easy to yield to anger and impatience when things are stressful. Calm my quick temper when things don't go my way. Keep me mindful that I owe my family, friends and coworkers' encouragement and not angry words.

Dear Presidents and Members,

National Assembly: Thank you to those who attended the 2026 National Assembly in Miami Florida. The Ladies from Miami did a fantastic job hosting all of us and everything ran smoothly. The Junior Ladies of Charity from Miami were also outstanding in every part they played for the assembly. They have an amazing devotion to the Blessed Mother and led us each morning with the rosary they planned with words, costumes, symbolic items and music. It brought most of us to tears each day. These young women were at the hotel bright and early each day and spent the whole day with us till we danced the night away on Saturday night.

Judy Weismann and Karen Tomaszewski were elected as Mid Atlantic Representatives. They will now serve on the LCUSA Board and represent us for the next several years. Since we are the largest association in the United States, it is very important that the Diocese of Pittsburgh is represented on the board. I know Judy and Karen will do an outstanding job.

November Officers Meeting: November 7th will be our next Officers and VSM meeting at St. Paul of the Cross Parish, St. Anne Church. Bethany Young from Catholic Charities will talk to us about St. Joseph's House of Hospitality. We would like to collect men's boxer shorts, undershirts and XL twin fitted sheets. The sizes needed are Large, XL and XXL and also some Small sizes. Thank you for your continued generosity for these donations.

Sister Grace and Nancy Bianculli will also be commissioning those ladies who were not able to attend the Assembly in Miami as Lay Vincentian Spiritual Moderators. Please notify your ladies who took the course this past year so they can attend the Officer's Meeting in November. We will also reach out to them with an invitation.

Dues Notice: Barb Direnzo our Financial Secretary has sent all presidents the form for submitting dues and member lists. They were sent out as an email and by now you all should have received it. If you did not, please check your SPAM folder and if you still don't have it contact Barb at: 724-282-3092 or 724-991-2551 © bjdirenzo@zoominternet.net

All Associate Members, (*A Lady of Charity who can no longer participate actively, but gives spiritual and financial support to her parish association. She may be someone who can take an active part in one or two functions throughout the year.*) were sent an email or hard copy of their dues requirements. They will submit their dues (\$15.00) directly to the Diocesan Ladies of Charity.

PLEASE SUBMIT ONE CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO: **Association of Ladies of Charity Diocese of Pittsburgh, or ALCDP by December 1, 2026. Include your updated member list and dues form, along with your check. *****Only Invested Ladies of Charity pay dues. *******

Dues will remain the same: \$20.00 for Active LOC and \$4.00 for Honorary LOC

Cemetery Sunday: November 8th is Cemetery Sunday at Calvary Cemetery at the St. Vincent de Paul Monument. We will begin our prayer service for the Unclaimed Souls at 2:00 and lay a fall wreath. A prayer service will also take place at Rachel's Garden near the mausoleum at 1:30. The St. Matthew's Ladies of Charity will conduct the prayer service and also lay a wreath for the unborn.

The Spiritual Society of the Unclaimed Dead: If you are interested in receiving a decedent's name, please contact Mary Jane Jurofcik at our LOC **office 412-456-6924.**

Social media: Sherrie Dunlap Gallagher, social media chair, updates our Facebook page regularly. Please let her know of any activities you are currently doing that she can highlight on social media. She can be contacted at: sherrie.e.dunlap@gmail.com.

Junior Ladies of Charity (JLOC): For more information on JLOC, please contact Karen Harsch our new JLOC chairperson or Hailey Innocenzo Dube' by calling the LOC **office at 412-456-6924.** Karen will be reaching out to those of our associations who do not currently have JLOC to see if there is an interest in starting a group.

Nursing Home Network: Please remember that if you have someone that is going to a nursing home outside of your area to contact Christine Derr so that she can reach out to the local Ladies of Charity to visit. Call LOC **office at 412-456-6924.**

501(C)(3) – Below is the updated distribution information for the quarterly submission of Treasurer Reports and Bank Statements. **The deadline for reporting the first quarter for September, October, and November is December 15th.** Updated sales tax exemption forms are available by contacting Judy Weismann at weismann2@comcast.net. Also, please consider joining the 501C3 team by inputting data into QuickBooks. Contact Judy if you would like to begin a training session.

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Mary Mother of God	Archangel Gabriel	St. Matthew
St. Teresa of Kolkata	Sts. Joachim and Anne	Christ the Divine Shepherd
St. Isidore the Farmer	St. Joseph the Worker	St. Michael the Archangel
St. Mark the Evangelist	St. Paul Cathedral	Blessed Trinity
Guardian Angel	Triumph of the Holy Cross	St. Catherine Laboure
All Saints	Sts. Martha and Mary	Mary Queen of Peace
St. Oscar Romero	St. John XXIII	Resurrection
Divine Grace	Our Lady of Hope	Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
St. Aidan	Our Lady of the Lake	St. Paul of the Cross
ALCDP	St. Jude	Holy Family
St. James	Emergency Fund for Elderly	St. Phillip's
St. Thomas the Apostle	St. Raphael the Archangel	Regina Coeli
Christ our Savior		

De Marillac Newsletter: Please share your pictures and stories with Peggy Keene for the next edition of the De Marillac Newsletter. We love to see what everyone is doing.
pkeene9@outlook.com

Change Presidents and Deceased Members- Please update us as soon as you know if there is a change to your president and if a member is deceased. Also, any changes of address are greatly appreciated. It is very important to keep our member list current. **Office: 412-456-6924**

Dates to Remember:

November 7, 2026: Bi Annual Officers Meeting—St. Paul of the Cross Parish/St. Anne Church

November 8, 2026: Cemetery Sunday, Calvery Cemetery 2:00 Rachel's Garden 1:30

Retreat: December 5th at St. Joseph Church-Christ the King Parish

Pittsburgh Website: locpittsburgh.org LCUSA Website: aic.ladiesofcharity.us

Vincentian Family: <http://famvin.org>

FACEBOOK: [Ladies of Charity USA, Association of Ladies of Charity Diocese of Pittsburgh](#)

October Rosary Intention

**We pray for the Church, the Pope, Christians, and for those of different faiths
That we work together for justice and fraternity.**

In the Vincentian Spirit,

Karen Radu, President

Association of Ladies of Charity, Diocese of Pittsburgh