# COLORADO STATE LADIES AUXILIARY NEWSLETTER

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#### **Upcoming Events!**

Save The Date — The 122th Annual Convention April 26-28 at The Antlers -4 S Cascade Ave, Colorado Springs, CO 80903.

The Ladies Annual Business Meeting will be April 27 at 8:30a. We will have a program in the afternoon on April 27. See you there!

Our Program will be a presentation from Sherry Anne Weddell, Executive Director

Sherry created the first charism discernment process specifically designed for Catholics in 1993. In 1997, she cofounded the Catherine of Siena Institute. Sherry has developed numerous unique formation resources that are used around the world and trained and helps lead an international team who have worked directly with over 200,000 lay, religious, and ordained Catholics in 1000+ parishes in 214 (arch)dioceses on 5 continents.

We look forward to seeing you in April!

#### A Note from Mary

Hello and Happy February! This is the February Issue of the State Newsletter to keep you informed of the State Officer Activities.

- The State Officers met on January 17, 2024. We discussed the upcoming business meeting, the scholarship and election of new officers. Please consider being a State Officer. It is very rewarding. We hope Auxiliaries that have not had ladies on the State Board will give special consideration to becoming an officer.
- Please keep these dates top-of-mind!
  - By-law Comments Due: March 15, 2024. Current by-laws are available on our website.
  - State Officer Nominations Due: March 30, 2024. Please consider volunteering. If your Auxiliary has not had a State officer in the last 4-5 years, please plan a Volunteer.
  - Charity of the Year Nominations: March 30, 2024 More details coming in the convention packet on Feb 1.
- Auxiliary Dues/Rosters/Change for Charities: April 1, 2024 or if you
  prefer bring to the business meeting on April 27. More details coming in
  the convention packet on Feb 1.
- Delegate Names: April 1, 2024
- Convention Registration/ Luncheon Registration: April 10. Register on the Knights Website.
- Baskets for Drawings: April 27, 2024 during Entertainment Time.
   Please plan to donate a basket.

Your Sister In Christ, Mary



### **Your Prayer Life**

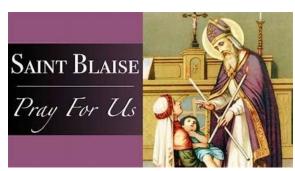
## OUR MONTH OF FEBRUARY: SAINT BLAISE, FEAST DAY FEB 3.

Although separated by customs, language, politics and more, Catholics around the world celebrate many of the same God-inspired devotional acts, practices and rituals handed down through the centuries by Holy Mother Church. Such a devotion is the optional memorial celebrating St. Blaise and the blessing of throats every Feb. 3

#### PRAYER TO SAINT BLAISE

O Blessed St Blaise, you received from God the power to protect men from throat diseases and other maladies. Take away the illness that afflicts me, keep my throat healthy and perfect so that I can talk correctly and be able to proclaim and sing praises to God. I promise you, St Blaise, that the words coming from my mouth will always speak: The truth and not lies; justice and not calumnies; goodness and not harshness; comprehension and not intransigence; forgiveness and not condemnation; pardon and not accusation; respect and not disparagement. Conciliation and not intrigue; calmness and not irritation; unselfishness and not egotism; edification and not scandal; enthusiasm and not defeatism; conformity and not complaint; love and not hate; joyfulness and not sadness; faith and not disbelief; hope and not despair.

St Blaise, keep my throat free from illness so that I can praise God, my Creator, and thank you, my protector. Amen.



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