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### REGENT'S MESSAGE

My Dear Sisters in Christ,

2018 has flown by, and we are in the midst of the Christmas season! We had many wonderful events and activities this year. Of course, they wouldn't have been so special without the continued support of our Court! Please read this newsletter for complete details for all the upcoming 2019 activities.

I ask you take time this season to reflect on the many blessings God has bestowed upon you and to remember in your prayers those people who are suffering, lonely, sick or grieving. May we all come to know the love of Mary's son, Jesus! Merry Christmas!

Humbly yours,  
 Diane Bartlett  
 Vice Regent



### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

*Annual Dues*



**The end of the year is quickly approaching, and it will be time to renew our membership! Our court dues are \$25 per member.**

**Our Financial Secretary Sandy Myhre has requested that our members pay their dues for 2018 before the March fundraiser if at all possible. This will allow Sandy to do her receipts and paperwork little by little and not all at once at the dinner. However, payment will be accepted at the dinner for those who prefer that option.**



**Sandy's address: 2545 Mixville Rd – Sealy TX**

## Prayers & Memorial Mass Cards

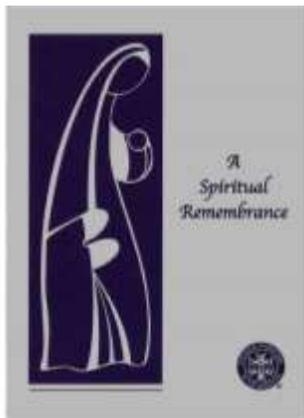
By: Rose Schroeder, Memorial Mass Card Chairman

Let us pray for the repose of the souls of our family members, friends, and members of our parish. We especially pray for the repose of the soul of Josh Orellana, son of our Regent, and our dear member Margaret Sustala. May they rest in peace!

We lift up special prayers of healing for Lisa Wilson, Louis Rossler, all of our nursing home residents, and all those listed in our parish bulletin.

- Memorial Scholarship Fund Mass Cards
- \$2.50 minimum donation per card
- Prayers for (1) year
- Available from Rose Schroeder, MSF Mass Card Chairman

- Catholic Clerical Student Fund Mass Cards
- \$25.00 per card
- Perpetual
- Available from Carolyn Ritchey, CCSF Mass Card Chairman



*Send a gift  
of prayer!*



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**The CDA Charity Committee is looking for suggestions of charities or projects for our court to donate profits from our Super Bowl fundraiser and the gift shop, which have specifically been set aside for our court to donate. Please contact Joyce Eckelberg by January 1, 2019 with your suggestions/ideas at [joyceeckelberg@gmail.com](mailto:joyceeckelberg@gmail.com) or 979-885-9646.**



## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Deacon Frank Laredo (December 3<sup>rd</sup>)  
Rose Schroeder (December 4<sup>th</sup>)  
Lisa Wilson (December 9<sup>th</sup>)  
Christina Verm (December 12<sup>th</sup>)  
Merle Pacher (December 17<sup>th</sup>)  
Bea Konieczny (December 18<sup>th</sup>)  
Vernell Luedecke Ermis (December 20<sup>th</sup>)  
Cheri Kelley (December 26<sup>th</sup>)  
Joannah Hagen (December 29<sup>th</sup>)



## DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Gene & Katherine Zatopek (December 4, 1982)  
Billy & Mona Norris (December 22, 1984)



State & Local Scholarship Applications are available at [www.cdasealy.org](http://www.cdasealy.org), at the High School Counselor's Office or from our local court officers.

State applications are due January 31, 2018  
Local applications are due April 15, 2018



### **The Funniest Face**

**The funniest face looked out at me  
From a silver ball on the Christmas tree!**

**At first, I thought it was Santa's elf,  
But I looked again, and it was just myself!**



# JCDA NEWS

By: Abby Lynn Moyle, JCDA Chairman



Membership is for young girls of the Catholic Community ages 6-18. If you know of any young girls in our parish who want to join this wonderful organization, or if you want more information, please contact Abby Lynn Moyle or Tracie Eckelberg.

**JCDA Drive-thru Dinner @ KC Hall**  
**Chicken Fried Chicken Dinner**  
**January 13**  
**11am - 1pm**  
**Tickets \$10**

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**Chicken Noodle Soup Supper**  
**Court St. Bernadette #1108**  
**American Legion Hall**  
**East Bernard, Texas**  
**January 30, 2019**

**Serving begins @ 5:00 p.m.**

**Chicken Noodle Soup \$3.00 per bowl**  
**Chicken Salad Sandwich \$3.00 per sandwich**  
**ALL HOMEMADE!**

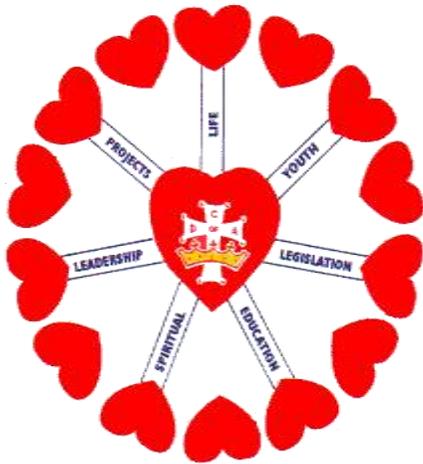
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**What do the colors of the candy cane mean?**

The white base **color of the candy cane** symbolizes Jesus' purity; the red stripes symbolize Jesus' blood when he died on the cross; and the J shape was chosen to **represent** the J in Jesus.



## CIRCLE OF LOVE



Attention Chairmen: Circle of Love forms should be completed and mailed no later than March 1, 2019. Check your CDA Handbook for the various chairmen to see which one to contact with your particular list of service to our parish and community as well as your own spiritual growth.

Some chairmen are still needed for the Circle of Love. If you wish to become a chairman, please contact our Regent.

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### From the Desk of Deacon Ben Munguia, Court Chaplain:

Dear Sisters in Christ,

Continuing the thought from the previous month, now that we have considered cleaning our soul and unburdening ourselves of all the baggage by celebrating the sacrament of Reconciliation, it is time to reflect on the choices we made in our lives, the people we hurt, and the people that have hurt us. As hard as it is, we need to take a closer look at the way we treat others and at how we are treated. Realizing at the end of the day that it is more important to forgive than to hold on to that hateful urgency of being right.

The effort it takes to hold on to a grudge can be exhausting. We tire at keeping that within us that keeps us from being at peace with each other. The resentment keeps us from seeing Jesus's face in the heart of others. It is not healthy, and it is not very Christian. Remember while He was on the cross, instead of asking God the Father to come down and deal with all who were part of his crucifixion, Christ said, "Forgive them for they know what they do."

During this time of joy, let us abandon our old selves. Forget about the persons we once were and allow us to build a place in our heart not only for Jesus himself but for all God's children. May the peace and joy of this Christmas bring you much cheer.

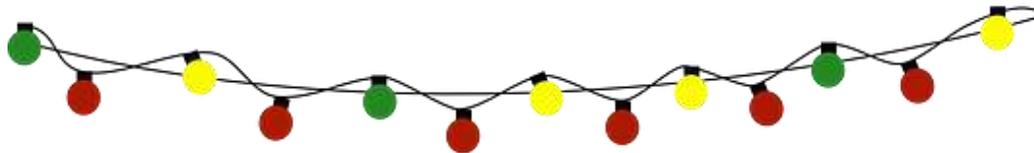
God Bless,

Deacon Ben Munguia



# NATIONAL NEWS:

**Please see attached flyer from National Director, Connie Dronette, concerning 2019's March for Life.**



# STATE NEWS:

## **POINTS ON PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES FOR LOCAL COURT MEETINGS**

**BY: CAROLYN MALIK, STATE PARLIAMENTARIAN**



- ⇒ Always rise when addressing the chair.
- ⇒ Wait to be recognized
- ⇒ Write your motions on forms provided & submit to the Regent.
- ⇒ There can be no debate until the motion is moved and seconded.
- ⇒ The motion is then considered and debated.
- ⇒ Maker of the motion is the first to speak in debate.
- ⇒ Amendments may be made to improve the motion.
- ⇒ Keep debate germane to the motion.
- ⇒ During debate direct your discussion to the chair, not to individuals nor personalities.
- ⇒ Amendments to a main motion must be approved prior to voting on the main motion.
- ⇒ Following all debate, the regent puts the question.
- ⇒ Regent announces the result of the vote.



*Merry Christmas*