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REGENT'S MESSAGE

My Sisters in Christ,

I hope you and your family had a happy and safe Fourth of July! Summer is here and the heat is in full force! Let's remember when we are out and about enjoying God's creation that we are using sun screen, drinking plenty of water and taking breaks when we are out in working in our gardens.

As we enjoy our summer, please keep in mind these upcoming dates:

September 10th - CDA meeting

September 15th - Birthday celebration for the nursing home residents

The new CDA officers attended officer's training at St. Roch's in Mentz. It was a day filled with new information and fellowship. I know the court officers are happy and anxious to lead our court for the next two years.

We are all called to use the very special gifts and talents given to us by God, so please consider taking the lead role in one of the CDA committees. If you are currently on a committee and would like to lead another committee, please let me know. There are many opportunities for each of us to participate in CDA activities. If you have not already done so, consider taking a more active role in 2018-2019 to help make our court even more successful in promoting our motto of unity and charity. Let us strive "to be helping hands where there is pain, poverty, sorrow or sickness."

Please keep in mind, that "BOGO" (Bring One Gain One) is still in effect as we work to increase our court's membership. If you have a sister, sister-in-law, daughter, granddaughter, cousin, friend or even a past member, encourage them to join and invite them to our September meeting!

Iris Orellana
Regent



Stay Cool



UPCOMING EVENTS

July & August NO COURT MEETINGS

Sept. 10th CDA Meeting 7:00 P.M. with refreshments @ 6:30 P.M.

Sept. 15th CDA to sponsor nursing home birthday party



Prayers & Memorial Mass Cards By: Rose Schroeder, Memorial Mass Card Chairman

We offer continued prayers for Debbie Kent. May she have a speedy recovery from heart surgery. We also want to keep the families of Mary Vicenik and Joyce Nastoupil in our prayers. Our parish lost two wonderful ladies! May they now rest in peace!

Mass cards may be obtained through our chairman at the cost of \$2.50 per card and are good for Mass enrollments for one year. The court sends these cards to members and their families, but you can also purchase them for your friends and family. The Court voted to charge \$3.00 if an individual wants the chairman to mail the card. That is \$2.50 for the card and \$0.50 for postage.



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We also have the CCSF Perpetual Mass Cards, which are \$25 per card. This card is sent when a CDA member or immediate family member of a CDA member passes away and is a one-time purchase. Consider sending a card for your family and friends. If you would like a card, please contact Carolyn Ritchey, Perpetual Mass Card Chairman.

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Do you remember the slogan for Nike? It is "Just Do It". Nike stresses that if you think about playing a sport, instead of just thinking and talking about it, "just do it". What about in our prayer life? If you tell someone that you will pray for them, do you actually say the prayer? The next time prayers are requested, instead of saying, "I'll pray for you", why don't you stop and "Just do it"?





NATIONAL NEWS

New Courts

Please welcome and pray for the officers and members of our newest courts. May they enjoy many years of Unity & Charity in our great Order. Feel free to send them a note of congratulations or a Mass card.

Court Our Lady of Lourdes #2737

Scottsbluff, NE

Regent: Amy Graham 907 Main Street, Chadron, NE 69337

Court St. John Vianney #2738

Bell City, LA

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Court Our Lady of Fatima #2739

Exton, PA

Regent: Melissa Secott 928 Railway Square, West Chester, PA 19380

Court Angels of Mercy #2740

La Joya, TX

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Court Fr. Joseph Cazenavette #2741

Madeville, LA

Regent Kathleen Dominique 1695 Jessie Richard Road, Church Point, LA 70525

**Best Wishes for a
Successful National
Convention!**



**Wishing all CDA members
safe travels to and from the
National Convention in South Dakota!**

STATE NEWS

Words of Wisdom from our State Chaplain, Father Greg Labus



The summer months are, for many, a time for recreation with family and friends. It is a time to take a vacation and to catch our breath from the many activities of the school year. Similarly, the church calendar also slows down a bit as we re-engage with season of Ordinary Time. The “green” season is really not so “ordinary.” Since during this season the Church is not reflecting on any particular mystery of Our Lord, the “green” reminds us that we are to continue growing in our faith like the green of the plants and trees.

During this transition from Easter to Ordinary Time, the Church gives us the Solemnity of Corpus Christi to launch us, so to speak, into the months ahead. This great feast invites us to reflect on the gift of the Eucharist. For the Eucharist “is the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed [and] it is also the fount from which all her power flows.” (SC 10)

The importance of the Sunday Eucharist cannot be overemphasized. It is at Mass that we are fed with God’s Word and with the Body and Blood of the Lord. Just as we need food to sustain our bodies, we need the spiritual nourishment of the Eucharist to sustain our souls. In the celebration of the Eucharist, we offer ourselves in union with Jesus Christ as a sacrifice of praise to the Father. In return, the Father feeds with the Body of and Blood of His Son in Holy Communion. As we offer ourselves, we die to our selfishness and sin so we can rise with the Lord to love as God loves us.

I have heard many people say that they do not go to Mass because they find the Mass boring. Perhaps we all have said or thought this at some point in our spiritual journey. Indeed, the Mass can be boring if we come with a disposition of “what am I going to get out of it.” If this is our disposition, then Mass will be boring. Instead, I invite you to consider coming to Mass with the disposition of “what can I give.” Obviously, the gift that you give with this disposition is the offering of self with all our brokenness to the Lord. Then, our hearts are open to receive the great gift of the Lord’s Body and Blood that the Father bestows to help us on our pilgrimage of life toward heaven. Our encounter with the Risen Lord at the Sunday Eucharist will keep us safe unto eternal life. Jesus, the Bread of Life, gives us the strength to continue his good work of feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and all other good works. During the summer months, we can mistakenly believe that we do not “have to” go to Mass. Would we really want to deny ourselves of this great gift to the detriment of our souls? Let us “want to go to Mass” in order to keep “growing” in our faith. Remember, God cannot feed us unless we are there.





The Birthday/Anniversary Page

Cheers to All



JULY BIRTHDAYS

Yvonne Tesch (July 5th)
 Faye Krenek (July 12th)
 Ora Dell Strieder (July 12th)
 JoAnn Zaruba (July 13th)
 Henrietta Rychlik (July 15th)
 Alicia Sevilla (July 15th)
 Lois Krenek (July 17th)
 Carolyn Zaskoda (July 21st)
 Lyn Novicke (July 22nd)
 Betty Janish (July 23rd)
 Mary Alice Ondruch (July 24th)
 Rosalva Martinez (July 26th)
 Amy Norris (July 27th)
 Cynthia Krampitz (July 31st)
 Patty Wright (July 31st)

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

Anthony & Mary Ann Reynolds (July 5th)
 Leonard & Clara Stolarski (July 11th – 53 Years)
 Johnnie & Marilyn Krenek (July 12th – 37 Years)
 Jack & Sharon Machala (July 20th)
 Mark & Lori Faldyn (July 28th – 33 Years)
 John & Janice Kana (July 28th – 33 Years)
 Pete & Jeri Berckenhoff (July 31st)

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Connie Posinski (August 9th)
 Mikie Ehret (August 15th)
 Cindy Konesheck (August 19th)
 Frances Swonke (August 22nd)
 Paula Rychlik (August 27th)
 Lorene Henke (August 28th)
 Edi Zapalac (August 28th)
 Deloris Kutra (August 30th)
 Joyce Eckelberg (August 31st)

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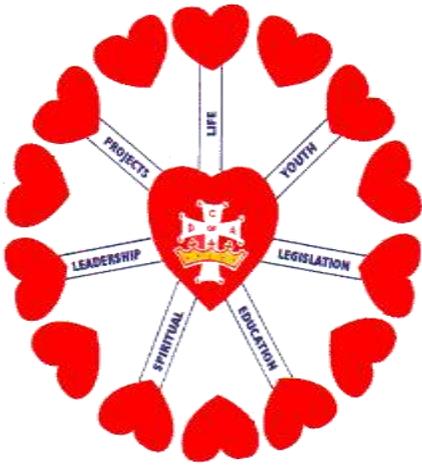
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CELEBRATE



AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

Randy & Kathy Cernosek (August 1, 2009)
 Bobby & Jean Koym (August 1, 1959)
 Ryan & Paula Rychlik (August 3, 2002)
 Jon & Angie Kram (August 4, 2001)
 Deacon Robert & Debbie Kent (August 12th)
 Tom & Billie Jean Nichols (August 17, 1958)
 Michael & Diane Holub (August 20th)
 Mike & Cheri Kelley (August 20, 1994)
 Frank & Carolyn Ritchey (August 20, 2016)
 Brian & Abby Lynn Moyle (August 21, 1998)
 George & Diane Fuller (August 23, 1969)
 Carlos & Rosalva Martinez (August 30, 1990)



CIRCLE OF LOVE

Thank you to everyone who turned in their hours for the Circle of Love Program. As you know, we send reports to the State and they in turn send them to National to show that we are upholding our non-profit status by our charitable works. We also enter those reports in the State Contest and if we are chosen as First Place in our Category, our reports advance to National. Same goes for other items such as our newsletters and our website.

Have you served as a minister of Holy Communion? If so, then you have participated in the Spiritual Enhancement phase of the Circle of Love program. **Have you helped with the JCDA girls?** If so, then you have participated in the Youth phase of the COL program. **Have you provided meals for a family grieving the loss of a loved one or visited someone in the nursing home just to brighten their day?** If so, you have participated in the COL program. See how our everyday life's activities are some sign of our love and kindness toward others? Record those hours and send them to the respective Circle of Love Chairman or to the Court Regent. We want to share with our court and the State and National Courts the good cheer we are spreading to others. Participation forms are available on our website at www.cdasealy.org.



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.

