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CDA MISSION STATEMENT: Catholic Daughters of the Americas strive to embrace the principle of faith working through love in the promotion of justice, equality, and the advancement of human dignity for all.

UNITY AND CHARITY

REGENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Sisters in Christ,

April's meeting was well attended with our junior court joining us! Hannah Moyle gave a summary of the JCDA activities over the past twelve months. It was exciting to hear how the JCDA court has been active and growing! I want to thank Abby Moyle, Tracie Eckelberg and Patsy Verm for all their efforts in working with these girls. Speaking of growing, our membership has increased by 3 ladies this month with Amy Cryan joining our court and Denise Smidt and Tammi Sturm transferring from other Texas courts. We are so happy to have you as members of Court St. Elizabeth #1616!

Our financial review was conducted on Saturday, April 6th. Thanks to all the ladies serving on the review committee, the audit was completed in record time! The proposed 2019 Budget was presented and reviewed during the April meeting, and it was approved by our membership. If you were not able to attend the April meeting and would like to review the new budget, I will have a copy available at our next meeting.

As we are preparing to enter Easter week, let us spend time with family, attend the Triduum services, enjoy a nice Easter brunch, and celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord! As always, do everything with love and joy.

Your sister in Christ,

Iris N Orellana

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Christ is Risen!

UPCOMING EVENTS



April 21, 2019	EASTER SUNDAY
May 2-5, 2019	CDA Texas State Convention - McAllen Delegates: Iris Orellana, Diane Bartlett, Sandy Myhre, Maria Munguia, and Hilda Gomez
May 13, 2019	CDA Meeting – Refreshments @ 6:30 P.M. Business Meeting @ 7:00 P.M.
May 19, 2019	Senior Breakfast
May 28, 2019	Senior Awards Night @ Sealy High School
June 8, 2019	Priest Appreciation Dinner

SENIOR BREAKFAST

Breakfast for graduating Seniors and their immediate families will be held May 19, 2019, immediately following the 9:00 A.M. Mass at the ICC Center. Volunteers who wish to help need to be at the Center by 8:00 A.M.



Graduation for Sealy High School is May 31, 2019 at 8:00 P.M. We wish all of our graduates the best in their future endeavors! Blessings to all!



Congratulations!



*Court St. Elizabeth #1616
would like to extend
congratulations to our
member Mary Cano! Mary has
received the honor of being the Bluebonnet
Deanery Woman of the Year runner-up!
Way to go, Mary!
We are so proud of you!*

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Prayers & Memorial Mass Cards

By: Rose Schroeder, Memorial Mass Card Chairman

Court sympathies go out to Susie Shupak for her mother Helen Jurecek, to Jim & Cynthia Grigar for Jim's sister-in-law Gail Grigar, and to Edi Zapalac for her husband Willie P Zapalac. May they and the souls of the just rest in peace. Amen.

To obtain a Memorial Mass Card for \$2.50 or to have our chairman mail a card for you, please contact Rose Schroeder at 979-885-3480.

Perpetual Mass Cards – Catholic Clerical Student Fund

By: Carolyn Ritchey, CCSF Mass Card Chairman

Court St. Elizabeth #1616 sends the perpetual Mass cards to CDA members and their immediate families. However, anyone is welcome to send a perpetual Mass card. If you wish to purchase a card for \$25.00, please contact Carolyn Ritchey at 979-885-6507 or musicaltunes4me@yahoo.com.





From the Desk of Deacon Ben Munguia, Court Chaplain:

Dear Sisters in Christ,

As we approach the end of this season, we reflect on how this time has transformed us. Deacon Rick reminded us not to listen to the snake, have we been able to recognize those moments when we were being tempted? Did we counter the temptation by drawing ourselves closer to Jesus? Have we taken the opportunity to seek forgiveness or offer forgiveness? Lent is a time for mercy and compassion. How many times did we extend a helping hand to those in need or were struggling in their lives? When we feel abandoned, we are in a weakened state and are vulnerable. In that state, Satan sees opportunity to invade our being. It's up to us to break that feeling and center ourselves with God in mind. God has not finished with us, if we are open to the changes that will bring us closer to sainthood. Keep the faith, be strong; God loves us, and we are not alone.

Holy Spirit guide my words so that I may respond with kindness, mercy, compassion, and respect. Holy Spirit guide my actions so that I may be helpful and attentive to others' needs and so that I may be your hands and feet. Holy Spirit, heal me so that I can be a humble and loving servant.

Your servant in Christ,

Deacon Ben Munguia

*Easter
Blessings*



May Birthdays

Monica Reznicek (May 1st)
Amanda Coggins (May 3rd)
Mona Macias (May 9th)
Monica Gross (May 16th)
Jeri Berckenhoff (May 18th)
Marilyn Krenek (May 22nd)
Stephanie Novicke (May 29th)
Azalea Strong (May 30th)
Tracie Eckelberg (May 31st)



May Anniversaries

Willie & Deloris Kutra (May 6th – 63 Years)
Richard & Anne Presley (May 6th – 24 Years)
Steve & Lisa Wilson (May 23rd)
James & Faye Krenek (May 23rd – 43 Years)
Joe Ray & Lois Krenek (May 27th – 41 Years)
Leon & Ivy Konvicka (May 29th – 65 Years)



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 Visit our CDA April 8, 2019 Court Meeting



NATIONAL NEWS

Please welcome and pray for the new courts that were recently instituted.

Court St Luke #2749
Regent: Imelda Garcia
3470 Smith Rd.
Brownsville, TX 78526

Court Blessed Sacrament #2750
Regent: Lisa Haas
8725 W. Pinchot Ave.
Phoenix, AZ 85037



STATE NEWS

Approach to Success

(taken from the Texas State Newsletter)

- ⇒ Plan and/or participate in two (2) Respect Life activities per year.
- ⇒ Plan and/or participate in Multi-District Meetings once per term.
- ⇒ Research & study one saint per year and offer a day of reflection or a retreat on the life of that saint.
- ⇒ Participate in adoration at local parish as a group during the year.
- ⇒ Plan activities with the Knights of Columbus that promote family activities or Respect Life activities.
- ⇒ Demonstrate Patriotism.
- ⇒ Promote leadership within the court by planning activities in the Circle of Love components.
- ⇒ Plan and provide at least one (1) educational program for the benefit of the CDA membership.
- ⇒ Plan a Memorial Service for the deceased members of the court every year.
- ⇒ Utilize media sources and website to promote local CDA in the area.



**WELCOME TO
OUR NEW
MEMBERS**

**AMY
CRYAN**

**TAMMI
STURM**

**DENISE
SMIDT**

**RECEIVED
INTO THE
COURT ON
APRIL 8, 2019**



Join us at our next meeting, May 13, 2019, at 7:00

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How many of us struggle with daily life as if we are holding the weight of the world on our shoulders? We feel as if everything is happening to us all at once and just don't know where to turn. Turn to God! Remember that famous saying, "Let Go and Let God!" Don't carry the weight of the world on your shoulders; hand it over to Him. "Come to me all who labor and are heavy burdened and I shall give you rest."

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**or
THIS**

