



THE SPIRIT

Issue 13

Court Christ the Good Shepherd #2731

18511 Klein Church Rd, Spring TX 77379



2018 - 2020 Officers Elect:

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| Regent: | Priscilla Hargraves |
| Vice Regent: | Charlotte Prieve |
| Financial Secretary: | Jean Sanfelippo |
| Recording Secretary: | Mary Roberts |
| Treasurer: | Sheryl Andrews |

Officers will be installed at the June 7th meeting. Their term is June 1, 2018 - May 31, 2020.

Please plan to attend this meeting and congratulate your new court officers!





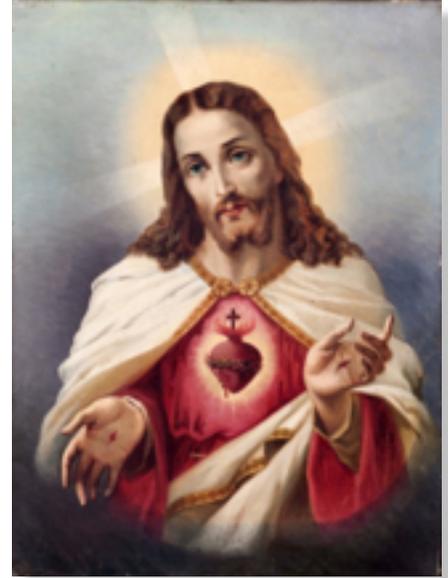
Clergy Corner

Interim Chaplain, Deacon Dub Hargraves

Sacred Heart of Jesus

Last, month I wrote about the devotion to the Chaplet of Mercy and the apparition of the Lord to Sr. Faustina. This month is dedicated by Holy Mother Church to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The devotion to the **Sacred Heart** is one of the most widely practiced and well-known Roman Catholic devotions where Jesus Christ's physical heart is taken as a representation of Jesus for humanity.

It was primarily through the apparitions of Christ to St. Margaret Mary that the popularization of this devotion, in its modern form, was derived. St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, was a nun of the Visitation and mystic from France, who said she learned the devotion from Jesus Himself during a series of apparitions to her between 1673 and 1675, and later. In the 19th century, another Catholic nun, Blessed Mary of the Divine Heart, a religious of the Good Shepherd received mystical revelations and consequently requested in the name of Christ, that Pope Leo XIII consecrate the entire world to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.



During the apparitions to St. Margaret Mary, Jesus explained to her the devotion to His Sacred Heart as He wanted people to practice it. Jesus asked to be honored in the symbol of His Heart of flesh; he asked for acts of reparation, for frequent Communion, Communion on the First Friday of the month, and the keeping of the Holy Hour.

When the Catholic Church approved the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Holy Mother Church did not base her action only on the visions of Saint Margaret Mary. The Church approved the devotion on its own merits. There is only one Person in Jesus, and that Person was at the same time God and Man. His Heart, too, is Divine -- it is the Heart of God.

There are two things that must always be found together in the devotion to the Sacred Heart: Christ's Heart of flesh and Christ's love for us. True devotion to the Sacred Heart means devotion to the Divine Heart of Christ insofar as His Heart represents and recalls His love for us.

In honoring the Heart of Christ, our reverence lingers on the Person of Jesus in the fullness of His love. This love of Christ for us was the moving force of all he did and suffered for us -- in Nazareth, on the Cross, in giving Himself in the Blessed Sacrament, in His teaching and healing, in His praying and working. When we speak of the Sacred Heart, we mean Jesus showing us His Heart, Jesus all love for us and all lovable.

Jesus Christ is the incarnation of God's infinite love. The Human Nature which the Son of God took upon Himself was filled with love and kindness that has never found an equal. He is the perfect model of love of God and neighbor.

DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART THE MORNING OFFERING

The morning offering is the means by which all our thoughts, words and actions of each succeeding day are directed in a special way towards God's glory. It may be made in thought, in the heart only, or in words. The following is perhaps the shortest and most common form used:

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you the prayers, works and sufferings of this day, for all the intentions of your divine Heart, in union with the holy sacrifice of the Mass.

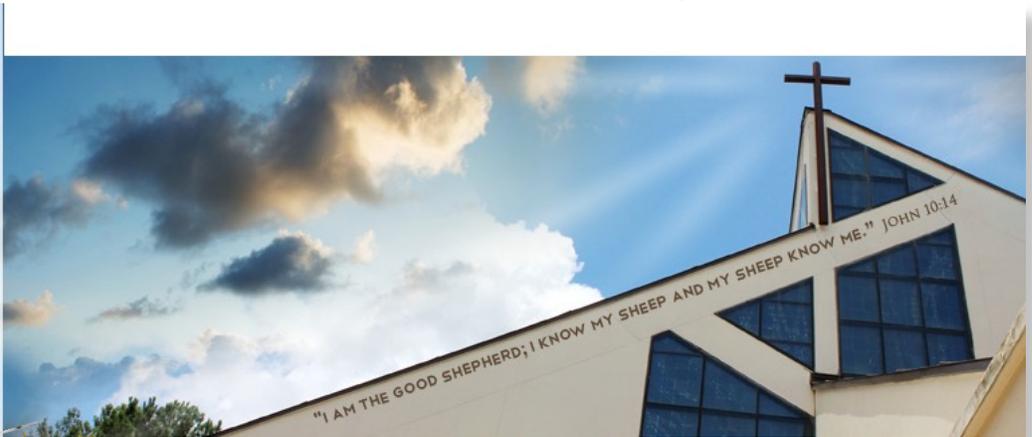
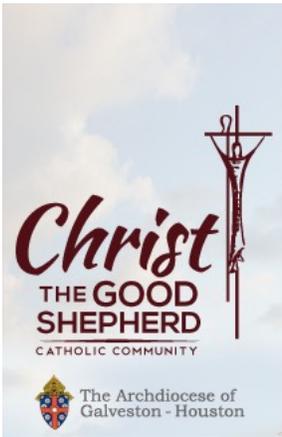
By this simple offering, the life of each individual becomes wholly consecrated each day to our divine Lord and his interests. Hour by hour, moment by moment, second by second, as we go through the routine of our daily life, we gain merits which enable our Lord to dispense more of his graces and to give help to sorely tried souls, whose eternal destiny is perhaps trembling in the balance and depends upon the very grace which our morning offering empowers him to give.

When we give our merits to Christ and leave their application to him, he can dispense the grace as he knows best and in the most useful way to humankind. The value and efficacy of the merits which we offer by the daily morning oblation are immeasurably enhanced by being offered in union with the sacrifice of the Mass, the oblation of which our Lord himself offers daily upon our altars.

Thus, by the daily gift of love, our lives are made an unbroken prayer; they are blended into constant prayerful union with the prayers of the pleading Heart of Jesus upon our altars and become useful and helpful to Jesus in realizing more fully his unquenchable desire for the salvation and sanctification of the souls of humankind.

PROMISES OF THE SACRED HEART

1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
2. I will establish peace in their families.
3. I will bless every home in which an image of my Heart shall be exposed and honoured.
4. I will console them in all their difficulties.
5. I will be their refuge during life and especially at the hour of death.
6. I will shed abundant blessings upon all their undertakings.
7. Sinners shall find in my Heart a fountain and boundless ocean of mercy.
8. Tepid souls shall become fervent.
9. Fervent souls shall rise speedily to great perfection.
10. I will give priests the power of touching the hardest hearts.
11. Those who propagate this devotion shall have their names written in my Heart, never to be blotted out.
12. In the excessive mercy of my Heart I will grant the grace of final penitence to those who communicate on the first Friday of nine consecutive months; they shall not die in my displeasure or without the sacraments. My divine Heart will be their safe refuge in this last moment.



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We will discontinue the newsletter during the July and August months. The website will continue to be updated, so please keep checking! I hope you all have a great summer!

Mass Cards Committee:

The fee for Mass cards is \$5.00. This is your opportunity to give the gift of prayer, as well as contribute to the Memorial Scholarship Fund and a charity approved by our court. Please contact Peggy O'neil, 281-440-0286, or email at cda2731masscards@gmail.com, with mass card requests and/or questions.

Mass cards are always available at the meetings.



Opportunities! Needs a Chair and/or committee members:

- ✦ **PUBLICITY** - Chairperson, plus 1-2 members
- ✦ **CIRCLE OF LOVE** - Chairperson, plus members
- ✦ **FUNDRAISING** - Chairperson, plus members

Need Members:

- LEGISLATION - Gizelle Williams, needs 1-2 members
- MEETING PRAYERS - Mary Jane Brewster, needs 1-2 members
- MEMBERSHIP / TELEPHONE - Vice Regent Charlotte Prieve, needs 3-4 members
- STANDING RULES - Sheryl Andrews, needs 2 members



Sunshine Committee: 

We are in need of cards for our Sunshine Program. Please, if you can donate, we need Anniversary and Sympathy cards at this time. Thanks so much!!



Virtus - Protecting God's Children

CGS will be hosting Virtus - Protecting God's Children on June 6th. If it has been more than 5 years since you took this course, or are required to take this course for future activities, please see info:

Virtus Protecting God's Children (PGC) for June

- What: **Virtus-Protecting God's Children**
- When: **Wednesday June 6, 2018**
- Where: **Social Hall**
- Time: **6:30pm-9:30pm**
- Participant Capacity: **100**
- Contact staff: **Dori & Yeimy**
- Participants must pre-register online at: www.virtusonline.org



'Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward.' - Psalm 127:3

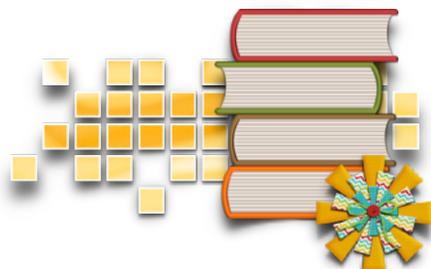


Shepherd's Tent Program

On the weekend of the 12 and 13th, CDA members handed out baby bottles for the Shepherd's Tent Program. The bottles are to be filled with coins and brought back by Father's Day weekend. CDA members will collect them on Father's Day weekend. Shepherd's Tent helps pregnant women and their newborns with essentials they are unable to afford. Assistance is in housing, or bills, baby items such as: care seats, pack n play, etc. This program began in the 90s to assist moms that may lose their employment during pregnancy or while they are on maternity leave from their jobs and unable to work or receive benefits. Each mom is interviewed by our social ministry office and they follow them the best they can during their pregnancy. Often they only assist with a car seat or diapers.

Read Across America

On May 8th, CDA members took boxes of books to Our Lady of Guadalupe School.



They also gave boxes of books to the VA Volunteer Office; Tanya Lucky, Voluntary Service Specialist at the VA.

(Coordination for obtaining these books was accomplished through Ms. Anne Martin, State Chairperson for Reading Across America, email address: apmartin@suddenlink.net)



They presented Fr. John Ugobueze, BCC, Clinical Staff Chaplain, with rosaries.



'For the Lord gives wisdom; from His mouth come knowledge and understanding.' - Proverbs 2:6



Finally, they gave books to Benjamin Toups, who is working on his Eagle Scout rank. Eagle Scout is the highest achievement attainable in the Boy Scout program of the Boy Scouts of America. Only 4% of Boy Scouts are granted this rank after a lengthy review process. Benjamin is working on a 'Little Free Library' for his Boy Scout Eagle Project, to assist in this endeavor. Little Free Library will be used by both children enrolled in the parish Pre-School and Nursery programs as well as others that are

involved in the Parish. It will be located near the children's playground and will be stocked with age appropriate books in both English and Spanish languages. He is also planning a book drive to collect books for this project and any excess books will be contributed to the local Barbara Bush Library Book Collection since it was destroyed by Hurricane Harvey. If you are wanting to donate children's new and gently used books, or make a monetary donation, please send an email to Benjamin Toups, bctoups915@gmail.com or call 832-499-9822.



Manna Bags for 1960 Hope Center

Priscilla, Regent - Elect, would like to thank everyone who helped with the manna bags May 17th! Whether you supplied needed items, helped make up the bags, or both, she appreciates all you have done to make this ministry to the Hope Center a huge success. With all of your help, 50 bags with enough food to fill 2 gallon size storage bags for each client, were prepared! If you have been unable to assist with this ministry in the past, but would like to in the future, members will be meeting again Thursday June 14th from 5:00 - 7:00pm to make up bags to be delivered to the Hope Center on June 15th. There will be an email sent our shortly before the date with needed items. Please know you are invited to donate items and/or assist in making up the bags.

Local News



Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Marie #344

*Cordially invites you to attend the 100th Anniversary Celebration of Court Marie
#344*

*Saturday, July 28, 2018
Holy Mass 3:00pm*

*Concelebrants
Bishop Joseph Strickland, Tyler Diocese
Father Michael Adams, Court Chaplain*

*Sacred Heart Catholic Church
4505 Elizabeth Street
Texarkana, TX 75501*

*Reception to follow in Parish Center
Catered by Chef on the Run; Cost \$10 per person
Send Court Check to
Katherine Otero
24 Heatherwood
Texarkana, TX 75503*

*RSVP: cdacourtmarie344@gmail.com
By June 30*

Officers wear Robes, suggested attire: whites

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Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Court Marie #344*

Texas CDA website: <http://www.texasda.org/#loaded>

Texas CDA Facebook site: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/texasda/>

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ROSIE STOCKWELL, STATE REGENT

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LET'S ALL "ROOT, ROOT, ROOT" FOR THE
World Series Champion ASTROS!
As they face the Kansas City Royals
SUNDAY, JUNE 24, 2018 @ 1:10PM.
1350 TICKETS AVAILABLE

- Mezzanine \$30/ticket
- Field Box \$45/ticket

for tickets & info:
This is a STATE SPONSORED EVENT
Dela Garza, Event Chairperson
St. Angela of the Cross #2674
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832-724-2000
Or see your local CDA Regent!



New Court Installations!

Melodie Brunt, First Vice State Regent and Court Dev & Membership State Chairman:

La Joya, Texas: Court Angels of Mercy #2740 on April 21, 2018. Regent Mary Ann Rosales

Laredo, Texas: Court St. Monica Mother of St. Augustine #2742 on May 12, 2018. Regent Olga Duarte

National News



National Convention will be held July 17 - 22, 2018 in Sioux City, South Dakota. Our court will not be sponsoring attendance, however anyone can attend who would like to. No one in our court has chosen to attend so far. However, if anyone changes their mind, the deadline for advance registration is June 15, 2018.

SAVE THE DATE

CDA National Regent's Reception

Honoring Olga Samaniego, Newly Installed National Regent 2018-2020

Saturday, September 15, 2018

San Antonio, Texas

Mass: 5:30 PM - **St. Matthew Catholic Church**, 10703 Wurzbach Road

Reception/Dinner: 7:00 PM - **Omni San Antonio Hotel at the Colonnade**, 9821 Colonnade Blvd.

Meal Reservations: \$45.00 Meal Ticket (information is listed below)

Hotel Reservations: Omni San Antonio Hotel at the Colonnade
Room Rates: Single and Double **\$119.00** (Deadline August 10, 2018)

Use the following customized web link for room reservations:
<https://www.omnihotels.com/hotels/sanantonio/meetings/cda-newly-elected-national-regent-2018>
Or call Omni Reservations at 1-800-THE-OMNI and refer to "2018 Newly Elected National Regent".

Hosted by Texas State Court

Eve Trevino, Texas State Chairman for National Events (361-658-8553 / cdaevertrevino@gmail.com)

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*(Please fill out and return this portion with your *check. **Deadline is August 10, 2018***
**Preferably a Court check, but personal checks will be accepted.*

Make check payable to: **CDA Texas State Court** and mail to: Eve Trevino, Texas State Chairman for National Events
1102 Delta Drive, Corpus Christi, TX 78412

Court Name: _____ Court #: _____ City: _____

Name of Attendees:

1. _____	8. _____
2. _____	9. _____
3. _____	10. _____
4. _____	11. _____
5. _____	10. _____
6. _____	13. _____
7. _____	14. _____

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____



Legislation:

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New Arizona Law Enhances Abortion Reporting and Prevents Forced Abortions

According to LifeSiteNews, the Arizona legislature recently passed groundbreaking legislation to enhance Arizona's abortion reporting laws. The new law imposes stricter standards on abortionists in an effort to prevent women from being coerced into abortions. The law also requires more detailed reporting on reasons for and complications from abortion.

SB 1394 requires abortion facilities to report whether an abortion is elective or sought for specific medical reasons, and any known medical complications the woman experiences as a result of the abortion.

The bill also requires abortionists to ask women if they are being coerced into aborting, or if they

are victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, sex trafficking, or incest. Women are not required to answer. The bill protects the anonymity of the women by expressly forbidding "any other information or identifier that would make it possible" to identify them.

"We need to reject the notion that asking a woman, allowing her the opportunity to disclose her coercion into having an abortion, is somehow shaming," Republican Sen. Nancy Barto, the bill's sponsor, said. Both pro-life and pro-abortion publications have reported on evidence that abortion coercion is common, with a 2004 study published in the *Medical Science Monitor* finding that as many as 64 percent of abortions involve coercion.

Continue Pressing Congress to Defund Planned Parenthood, Protect Conscience

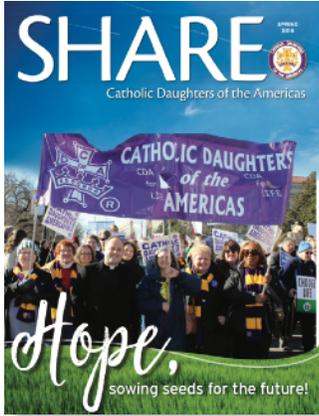
The \$1.3 trillion omnibus spending bill Congress passed this past spring to fund the government through 2018 included half a billion dollars to fund Planned Parenthood. President Donald Trump made defunding Planned Parenthood one of his four top priorities for defending life, but the House and Senate failed to deliver.

Taxpayer funding of Planned Parenthood allows the nation's largest abortion provider to carry on its dehumanizing work. The bill retains language forbidding taxpayer funds from being used on abortions (except in cases of rape, incest, or medical emergencies), but those loopholes are wide enough to provide for many abortions.

The omnibus bill also failed to provide conscience protection for health care workers who do not want to participate in abortions. Cardinal Timothy Dolan, New York, and Archbishop Joseph Kurtz, St. Louis, issued a joint statement expressing their disappointment.

"The failure of Congress to include the Conscience Protection Act (CPA) in the 2018 omnibus appropriations bill is deeply disappointing. The CPA is an extraordinarily modest bill that proposes almost no change to existing conscience protection laws on abortion—laws that receive wide public and bi-partisan support. The CPA simply proposes to provide victims of discrimination with the ability to defend their rights in court to help ensure that no one is forced to participate in abortion. Those inside and outside of Congress who worked to defeat the CPA have placed themselves squarely into the category of extremists who insist that all Americans must be forced to participate in the violent act of abortion. We call on Congress not to give up until this critical legislation is enacted."

Call and email members of Congress requesting they vote to pass the Conscience Protection Act and to defund Planned Parenthood this year.



Click link below to see the Spring issue of SHARE, if you did not receive a hard copy in the mail:

http://www.catholicdaughters.org/assets/Share/Share_2018_04.pdf

(NOTE: you must have 'flash' to view)

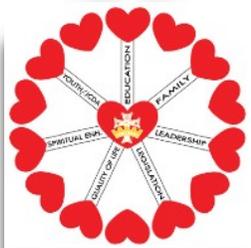


National June 2018 Newsletter:

http://www.catholicdaughters.org/Qtr_Newsletter/2018_06/QuarterlyNewsletter_June2018.pdf



National CDA Website:
www.catholicdaughters.org



We would like everyone to have an apron while they are serving, if possible. Please see this link, <http://shop.spreadthewordproducts.com/product.sc?productId=8&categoryId=7>, if you would like to order a CDA apron. It is the Spread the Word website. There are other great things to order on this sight as well. Check it out!

Apron

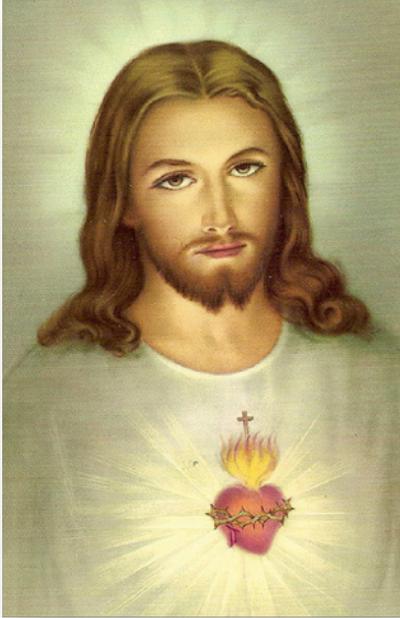


100% Cotton "Charity Cooker" Apron measures 23" x 28" and is available in purple (as shown) with CDA emblem screen printed in Gold.

Adjustable neck strap, 7.5 oz. Twill, 2 pouch pockets.

Gold Apron discontinued.

Prayers of the Month



June 2018 is Devoted to The Sacred Heart of Jesus

Since the 16th century Catholic piety has assigned entire months to special devotions. The month of June is set apart for devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. "From among all the proofs of the infinite goodness of our Savior none stands out more prominently than the fact that, as the love of the faithful grew cold, He, Divine Love Itself, gave Himself to us to be honored by a very special devotion and that the rich treasury of the Church was thrown wide open in the interests of that devotion." These words of Pope Pius XI refer to the Sacred Heart Devotion, which in its present form dates from the revelations given to Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque in 1673-75.

The devotion consists in the divine worship of the human heart of Christ, which is united to His divinity and which is a symbol of His love for us. The aim of the devotion is to make our Lord king over our hearts by prompting them to return love to Him (especially through an act of consecration by which we offer to the Heart of Jesus both ourselves and all that belongs to us) and to make reparation for our ingratitude to God.

PRAYER TO THE SACRED HEART

Devotion to the Sacred Heart was the characteristic note of the piety of Saint Gertrude the Great (1256-1302), Benedictine nun and renowned mystic. She was, in fact, the first great exponent of devotion to the Sacred Heart. In our efforts to honor the Heart of Jesus we have this prayer as a model for our own: Hail! O Sacred Heart of Jesus, living and quickening source of eternal life, infinite treasure of the Divinity, and burning furnace of divine love. Thou art my refuge and my sanctuary, O my amiable Savior. Consume my heart with that burning fire with which Thine is ever inflamed. Pour down on my soul those graces which flow from Thy love, and let my heart be so united with Thine, that our wills may be one, and mine in all things be conformed to Thine. May Thy divine will be equally the standard and rule of all my desires and of all my actions. Amen. Saint Gertrude



Mission Statement

Catholic Daughters of the Americas strives to embrace the principle of faith working through love in the promotion of justice, equality and the Advancement of human rights and human dignity for all.

- ✦ *Be women of Faith*
- ✦ *Encourage Spiritual Growth*
- ✦ *Increase membership*
- ✦ *Promote the motto of "Unity and Charity"*

The theme for the 2017 - 2019 term is:

"Be Not Afraid:" -

St John Paul the Great



The Texas State Court was organized January 25, 1917. Our Mission Statement is a reflection of the CDA motto of Unity and Charity; "The members of the Texas State and Local Courts love Christ and His Church. We are dedicated to leading others to Christ and to His service through active participation in the Catholic Daughters of the Americas."



Celebrate!!

Birthdays:

Jo Alice Street	June 8
Jan Beall	9
Amy Ghanem	12
Nancy Seheult	13
Gloria Riley	13

Anniversaries:

Sheryl Andrews	3
Peggy O'Neil	12



Dates to Remember

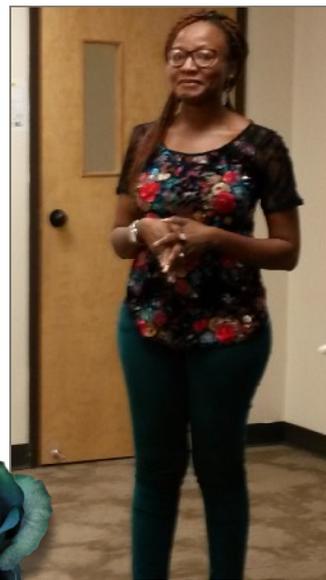
CDA Calendar for June 2018



- June 7 7:00pm CDA General meeting including installation of officers and social
- June 9-10 Community Weekend, CDA to sell Mass cards after all Masses
- June 14 5:00-7:00pm, Make up Manna bags for the Hope Center
- June 16-17 Father's Day, CDA collect baby bottles for Shepherd's Tent ministry after all Masses
- June 24 CDA at the Astros

Schedule room reservations with CGS for general and officers' meetings

Welcome Oge Rita Egbuna to our court!





***Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Court Christ the Good Shepherd #2731
Meeting Minutes, May 3, 2018***

Call to Order by Gloria Riley, Regent at 7:04 pm.

Opening ceremony

- *Opening Prayer by Mary Jane Brewster & Members*
- *Opening Ode led by Mary Jane Brewster & Members*
- *Pledge to US Flag and Texas Flag said by members*
- *Silent Roll Call of Officers by Sheryl Andrews - All board members present*

Good of the Order Book – Mary Jane Brewster passed among the members

Introduction of Guests – No guest

Installation of New Members – Oge Rita Egbuna was installed

Reading of Correspondence by Charlotte Prieve, Vice Regent:

- *Invitation to Kingsley Nwoko's Ordination on Saturday, May 12, 2018 at 10 am at the Co-Cathedral of Sacred Heart;*
- *Thank You card from Priscilla and Deacon Dub;*
- *Thank You card from Jan Beall;*
- *Invitation to Court Marie #344 100 years on Saturday, July 28, 2018; Mass at 3:00 pm at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Texarkana, Reception to follow, \$10 per person;*
- *CDA Newsletter Contest, Chairman Esther Waters*

Reading of Minutes by Sheryl Andrews, Recording Secretary – April Minutes were approved as written. We had to go back and make a correction to the December Minutes. The Minutes read that October Minutes were approved with corrections. There were no corrections to the October Minutes. December Minutes should read that October Minutes are approved as written.

Treasurer's Report by Veronica Arnold (see attached)

Bills were presented to the Court by Sheryl Andrews, Recording Secretary:

- *Priscilla Hargraves presented a bill for \$30 for Membership Material*
- *Mary Roberts presented a bill for \$20 for stamps for the Sunshine committee. Budget only allowed for \$12.50. Mary Jane Brewster donated the remaining \$7.50 to cover the \$20.00. **A Motion was made to use the money that Mary Jane Brewster donated to apply it to the \$12.50 so that Mary Roberts would be reimbursed the full \$20.00 for stamps. Karen Doolittle made the Motion and it was Seconded by Peggy O'Neal. Motion was voted on and approved.***
- *There is a bill from headquarters for Liability Insurance and Semi Annual Billing for \$315*

Committees

Financial Review - Karen Doolittle, chairperson of the Financial Review Committee announced that the Board and the Committee met last week for the financial review. Everything was in order and looked good.

Mass Cards - No updates. If anyone wants Mass Cards see Peggy O'Neal.

Newsletter – Newsletter deadline is two Mondays preceding the next meeting.

New Business

- A. Elections: Karen Doolittle, Chairperson for the Nominating Committee, announced the nominee; Regent, Priscilla Hargraves; Vice Regent, Charlotte Prieve; Financial Secretary, Jean Sanfelippo; Recording Secretary, Mary Roberts; Treasurer, Sheryl Andrews. Regent, Gloria Riley read the nomination a second time. Nominations were open to the floor. No other nominations were made. Nominations were closed and elections held via voice voting. The new slate of nominees was approved.
- B. 20th Ordination of Fr. James – CDA will help with hospitality, directing people where to go and serving food inside. The time frame will be after mass. We will need as many people as we can get. Date is May 19th. We should wear our purple shirts.
- C. It was brought up to donate \$25 to Fr. Innocent's school project, St. Joseph School, Ahesbette, Nigeria. **Mary Jane Brewster Motioned to donate \$25 to Fr. Innocent's school project. Mary Roberts seconded the Motion. It was voted and approved.**
- D. Church volunteers are asked to attend a 3 hours session Virtus-Protecting God's Children. CGSCC will be opening the following sessions: Wednesday, May 23, 2018 and Wednesday, June 6, 2018, Where: Social Hall; Time 6:30-9:30pm; Contact Dori or Yeimy. Participants must pre-register online at www.virtusonline.org.

Old Business

- A. The Court will be distributing baby bottles for Shepherd Tent Program (Social program led by Ms. Jan Papciak) after Mass on Mother's Day weekend (May 12th and May 13th) and collecting the bottles filled with coin on Father's Day weekend (June 16th and June 17th). Marieanne Suarez will send out Signup Genius for members to volunteer.
- B. Hope Center Manna Bags Report by Priscilla Hargraves: Thank you to everyone that donated items and time. We took about \$193-\$200 worth of supplies to the Hope Center. Priscilla Hargraves will call to see if they need us next month and what they still need.

'My mouth is filled with your praise, declaring our splendor all day long.' - Psalms 71:8

- C. Nancy's Rosaries: Father Ugobueze is looking forward to receiving the rosaries and "Praying the Rosaries" pamphlets. The date to deliver the rosaries is May 8th at 2:00 pm in his office on the second floor by the chapel. The address of the Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center is 2002 Holcombe Blvd., Houston, TX 77030.
- D. Read Across America: we will deliver the books to Maria Cortez, librarian at our Lady of Guadalupe School located at 2405 Navigation Blvd. Books will be delivered after visiting the VA hospital. The adult books are accepted at Volunteer Services at the VA hospital but need to make an appointment. Gloria Riley is waiting to hear back from someone on the date. Please be at the church at 12:00pm (noon) if you want to carpool to the VA and Our Lake of Guadalupe School.
- E. There is an Eagle Scout that was asking for books. Gloria Riley is trying to get him to come in and do a presentation to our group.
- F. We need 2 or 3 members to volunteer for the Fundraising Committee. The committee's only job is to come up with 1 – 3 fundraising ideas to present to the Court. Once the Court decides on a fundraiser then a committee will be formed for that fundraiser.

Reports from Financial Secretary, Priscilla Hargraves:

- A. We made \$170 in Mass Cards sales for Community Weekend. Half will go to the State and half will stay in the Court account and we added a new member from Community Weekend, Oge Rita Egbuna.
- B. Membership dues: All but 5 members have renewed their membership.

Announcements

- A. Mary Roberts asked if anyone has any anniversary cards. Gloria Riley asked that we put this request in the Newsletter for anniversary and sympathy cards.
- B. Priscilla Hargraves reminded everyone of the handouts on the back table: 1) Astro's baseball game on June 24th. The game starts at 1:10pm and tickets run \$30 and \$45. Tickets have to be purchased through the Court. (2) Saturday, September 15th is the National Regent Reception in San Antonio. Meals will be \$45 per person and hotel (Omni San Antonio Hotel) will be \$119 (single). The deadline for this rate is August 10th. This has to be paid through the Court. There will be Mass at 5:30 at St. Matthews Catholic Church. Husband can go.
- C. Deborah Maley mentioned her home court, Prince of Peace, is organizing a series on human trafficking talk for June 12th at 7pm. Debbie Tanger of Freedom Place will speak. They plan to have an FBI agent or the Tomball Middle School Principle. The meeting will be at St. Andrews Center at Prince of Peace. The talk will be free. Houston is #1 in the US and #2 in the world when it comes to Human Trafficking.
- D. We discussed sending \$10 to each new Court: La Joya Texas, Court Angels of Mercy #2740 on April 21, 2018 and Laredo, Texas, Court St. Monica Mother of St. Augustine, #2742 on May 12 2018. **Motion was made by Mary Roberts and seconded by Mary Jane Brewster. It was voted on and Approved.**
- E. Deacon Dub Hargraves is the interim chaplain while Deacon John Hagyari is on sabbatical. Deacon Dub came in and introduced himself to the group.

Closing Prayer and Ode by Mary Jane Brewster.

Meeting ended at 8:16 pm