



Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Pere Maltrait #1445 Agenda for April 8, 2026

1. Call to order by the regent.
2. Welcome to everyone.
3. The Opening Prayer led by _____ and Pledge of Allegiance by _____.
4. Verse for reflection and discussion: *"For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, virtue with knowledge, knowledge with self-control, self-control with endurance, endurance with mutual affection, mutual affection with love. If these are yours and increase in abundance, they will keep you from being idler or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ."* (2 Peter 1:5-8)
5. If new members, the oath will be taken at this time.
6. Guest speaker: Beverly Soley, director of Christians Who Care
7. Silent roll call of officers by Recording Secretary, Pam Gaspard. (officers absent _____; # members present ____)
8. Minutes from the March meeting by Pam Gaspard, Recording Secretary, were placed on the church website. Any corrections? Minutes are accepted with/without corrections.
9. Lacey Guidry, Treasurer, provided a copy of the treasurer's report at the entrance for the month of March and will explain the report, if necessary. Questions? Treasurer's report is/is not accepted.

Old Business

1. The prayer vessel is being returned by Vickie Tate and goes to _____ until our May meeting.

2. Report by chairpersons of JCDA on the progress of JCDA.
 - a. Only the second JCDA court in the Diocese of Lafayette
 - b. The mass of Installation was held on March 22 at 10:00 mass.
 - c. Separate banking accounts for both organizations
 - d. JCDA Convention in Lake Charles
 - e. Other issues?
3. Our April audit was held April 6 at 6:00 at Cabrini Hall. Volunteers for the audit included Bethany Arnau, Sandra Hargrave, and Angela Sistrunk. Suggestions by Annie Leger, district deputy.
4. Cost of second meal (\$). Cost of the First Communion Retreat (\$).
5. Report on sweet sale during the Lenten Fish Fry: collection of \$733.10; tithe of \$73.30
6. The raffle. We should be ready to go with sales in May to end at time of drawing. Our goal is to sell 2000 tickets.
7. Report by the chairman of the nominating committee on the slate of officers for 20026-2028.

According to the bylaws, "Prior to the election, nomination may be made from the floor at the regular business meeting in May. Officers shall be elected by ballot at the regular business meeting in May in alternate years to the State Elections and shall hold office for two (2) year term or until their successor is elected. A plurality vote shall elect. In the event there is only one (1) nominee for an office, the Regent may take a voice vote for the election. Each officer shall assume the office to which she is elected with or without installation on thirty (30) days following election." Questions from the floor.
8. Report on the Easter basket donation. We met Wednesday, April 1 at 1 PM at Cabrini Hall. The following members helped in distributing the candy to the 54 baskets _____.
_____ The candy cost \$ 99.87.
9. Signing of ordination card of Father Su.
10. Pick up of Sacred Heart statue for prayer and reflection during the week of 4/18-4/25.

Recommendations.

 - a. It is recommended that we designate the time of 7:00-8:00 when members can pray in unison each evening as only Monday, Tuesday and Thursday would be available after 12:05 mass.
 - b. Copy of the prayers are found at the entrance and will be sent by email to members.
11. We recommend the payment of dues in the time amount of \$96.00 for Joyce Braquet, Helen Marceaux, Eula Schexnider, and Loretta Trahan. A motion is made by _____ and seconded by _____ for the payment of dues for the above members. Motion _____.
12. Upcoming events.
 - a. May
 - (1) Election of officers for 2026-2028
 - (2) Installation of new officers and transfer of medallions and records from previous officers to new officers.
 - (3) Mother's Day gifts for nursing home residents. Reminder we will distribute the leftover

flowers from last year. Vermilion Nursing Home (Nunez) female 55; Kaplan 42.

(4) Ordination of Deacon Bryan

(5) List of items to be donated for school supply drive

b. June

(1) Father's Day gifts for nursing home residents: Vermilion Nursing Home (Nunez) 44; Kaplan 40.

(2) Adoption of local yearly charity. Recommendations.

(3) Ordination of Father Paul (6/13) and Father Mikel (6/18)

(4) School supply Drive

13. Purple folders for new members

New Business

1. Amy will present her proposal for "Woman of the Year".

Why?

-----we should always acknowledge someone's good works for our community, let them know that they are making a difference

-----She may be providing a service to the community that others may need, but are unaware it is available

How to nominate

----get the community involved. Have community submit names through Facebook/messenger and list that person's good deed/why they believe she should win? Letter of recommendation?

-----Create a CDA committee to nominate/choose winner

Discussion. Do we consider this idea or leave to the newly elected regent and officers to deal with?

Vote or discussion and consideration for next meeting.

2. Amy will propose the donation of socks/blankets to the church homebound at time of delivery of food in October or November. We can set aside socks from our Soctober Drive.

3. Anyone with new business to be brought before the board?

Announcements

1. Volunteers are always needed to serve our churches as lector and Eucharistic Ministers (especially for our CDA masses) and the cleaning/ironing of the church linens at Holy Rosary.

2. Contact Lacey Guidry at 337-277-9495 for flock notes as she is the new flock note coordinator. Shelley Istre is her back up at 337-368-5510.

3. The Catholic Church traditionally dedicates the entire month of April to the devotion to Jesus in the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. The Catholic Church teaches that the Blessed Sacrament is the real and living presence of Christ—His Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity—received into our souls with every

reception of Holy Communion. Our Eucharistic Lord is the source and summit of our Christian life, the ultimate good of His infinite love for us.

5. Pope Leo XIV's prayer of intention for April is for priests in crisis. Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

6. Prayer for the "Consecration to the Holy Trinity" which was the conclusion of Matthew Kelley's Lenten Retreat can be found on the entrance if you would want a copy.

7. Communication from

a. Sheila Moore, state regent: Continue prayers for ill and deceased Catholic Daughters and family members. Please continue to bring our prayer intentions to our Blessed Mother who can then present our needs to her Son.

b. Please consider calling the national office at 212-877-3041 to opt out of receiving the Share magazine in the mail. This could avoid an increase in national dues. You can still view the magazine on our website for the digital copy.

8. The schedule for January-March is below. Please call the regent if unable to make the mass ASAP.

CDA masses Date/Time	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	
April 4 @ 8:00 PM	Shelly Istre	Brenda Couvillon, Suzanne Richard (if needed)	
May 3 @8:00	April Hargrave	Jeanette Simon, Vickie Tate, Annie Vidalier	
June 7 @10:00	Pam Gaspard	Cynthia Vincent, Lorna Bourque	

Conclusion

1. Drawing for door prizes by Ms. Annie: _____,
_____, and _____.

2. Closing prayer led by _____.

3. The motion to adjourn was made by _____, seconded by _____. Motion
_____.

Dates to Remember

April 2

April 4 @ 8:00

April 8

April 14

April 17

April 22

Devotion to Mary cancelled as Holy Thursday

No official CDA mass but members will be on standby if needed

Rosary at Kaplan at 9:30

CDA meeting at 6:00

Rosary at Nunez at 9:30

Cleaning of Holy Rosary

Rosary at Kaplan at 9:30

Board meeting

April 28	Rosary at Nunez at 5:30
May 3	CDA mass at 8:00
May 7	Devotion to Mary at 6:00
May 12	Rosary at Nunez at 9:30
May 13	CDA meeting at 6:00
	Rosary at Kaplan at 9:30
May 15	Cleaning of Holy Rosary
May 26	Rosary at Nunez at 9:30
	Board meeting

Each member is asked to pray the rosary daily during her assigned week.

April

Week 1 (April 5-April 11) Gabrielle Dubois, Phyllis Duhon, Vicki Foreman
Week 2 (April 12-April 18) Beverly Frederick, Helen Frederick, Joyce Gaspard
Week 3 (April 19-April 25) Linda Gaspard, Pamela Gaspard, Lacey Guidry
Week 4 (April 26-May 2) Melissa Guidry, Mary Faye Hardy, April Hargrave

May

Week 1 (3-9) Sandra Hargrave, Mona Harrington, Gay Herpin
Week 2 (May 10-16) Shelley Istre, Marion Landry, Sonya LeMaire
Week 3 (May 17-23) Tessia LeBouef, Olite Ledoux, Brenda Couvillon
Week 4 (May 24-30) Jaynell Manceaux, Helen Marceaux, Richelle Marceaux

Birthdays: April

Susan Briolo, Carolyn Doucet, Helen Frederick, Lacey Guidry, April Hargrave

Birthday for clergy

Ordination of Father Su

Financial Statement

Deposits

Dues for members.....\$

Sweet sale from Fish Fry.....\$

Martin de Tours donations.....\$

Disbursements

Cynthia Vincent for cookies and water.....\$

Marion Landry for purchases for Martin de Tours.....\$

Tithe to Holy Rosary Catholic Church from sweet sales.....\$

