

Dear Catholic Daughters, your officers hope to see you Wednesday, January 11th, 2023
St. Jerome Parish Activity Center
2749 Hollister Rd. - Houston, TX 77080
Business Meeting begins at: 7 P. M.



We gather before our monthly meeting @ 6:30 p.m. to recite the Rosary.
All are invited

Important Dates - 2023

January

1st - Happy New Year
6th - Epiphany & Fish Fry



11th - CDA Meeting

February

8th - CDA Meeting
&

Birthright Baby Shower

14th - Valentine's Day

22nd - Ash Wednesday

March

8th - CDA Meeting

Court Dues are \$40.00 per year.

Mail To: Rachel Miller

201 Drew St. - Houston, TX 77006

713-498-2254

OR bring to January Meeting.

Did you know you can pay your Court Dues with a Credit Card?

Go to St. Jerome Website. Click on Fellowship tab, then on the drop list select Catholic Daughters. Select the Pay Member Dues here. Then add your Credit Card information.

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"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."

Women Of Faith:

CDA Sisters Working Together

"Everything is possible to the one who has Faith."
Mark 9-23

In January we vote on making our yearly donations to charitable causes.

Don't miss this one!

Please bring your suggestions to our meeting since we will be voting on these charitable donations.

We pray you will make an effort to attend as your input is of great importance!!



The 53rd Biennial State Convention is
April 26th - 30th at Moody Gardens,
Galveston, TX

If you would like to be a delegate or alternate, contact Kim Chavez via text: 832-715-9291 or email: campchavez@att.net

Court deadline to submit information for verification for convention delegates is March 1st. We will need 4 delegates and 10 alternates.

If time allows at our January meeting we will nominate delegates since February is our Birthright Baby Shower.

Happy New Year!



Catholic Daughters of the Americas®
Texas State Court, Organized 1917
Most blessed are you. Luke 1:42



**We're looking forward to seeing you at Moody Gardens
for our 53rd Biennial State Convention**

Moody Gardens Hotel, Spa & Convention Center
One Hope Boulevard - Galveston, TX 77554

**Make your Reservations: Call 409-683-1299 - Reference Catholic Daughters of The Americas
State Convention - Room Rate \$179.00**

Workshops: April 26, 2023 / Convention: April 27-30, 2023

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JANUARY BIRTHDAY'S

Happy Birthday!



1st Doris Esparza
4th Dori Ellis
4th Paula Sposato
6th Judy Maniscalco
8th Marita Hasou
9th Margot Bird
10th Eileen "Ike" Colleton
10th Charlotte Wade
12th Barbara Levandoski
18th Janna Krus
22nd Colleen Compere
24th Margaret Rutledge
29th Consuelo Davis
31st Beth E. O'Dowd



**1st Friday
January 6th 2023**

**Kathy Ehlinger Bake Sale
Chair**

713-240-0293

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**Gail Rodriguez
Bake Sale Co-Chair**

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**Additional help needed
to cut / wrap / sell
desserts.**

**Donations are accepted
to purchase deserts, if
you don't have the time.**



Religious Gift Shop



**Please Volunteer
Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Contact:**

**Mary Kay Dittrich
@281-216-1722**

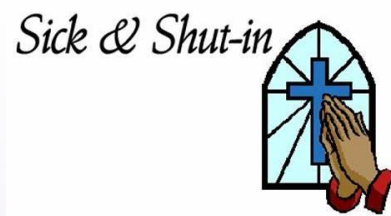
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Or

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Watch, O Lord, with those who wake, or watch or weep tonight, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend your sick ones, O Lord Christ. Rest your weary ones. Bless your dying ones. Soothe your suffering ones. Pity your afflicted ones. Shield your joyous ones and for all your love's sake. Amen. Saint Augustine.

Maria Bannatyne, Trudy Benavides, Helen Cantu, Judy Christy, Connie Davis, Lydia Demko, Melinda Ehlinger, Dori Ellis, Paulette Farek, Kathy Fisher, Mike Graul, Roz Hebert, Florence Hempel, Irene Infante, Rose Jordan's daughter Natasha, Nelwyn LeBlanc, Delores Lemp, Marimar Landrau-Mackey, Henrietta Neiser, Beth O'Dowd's parents, Georgia Popp, Amel Rodriguez, Gail Rodriguez's daughter Lynn, Margaret Rutledge, Gabriella (Gabi) Scavella, Irene Smith, Maryann Spencer, Agnes Sullivan, Joan Sullivan, Elena & Juanita Torres, Marie Tupa, Mary Ann Wey, and Cecilie Zissa.

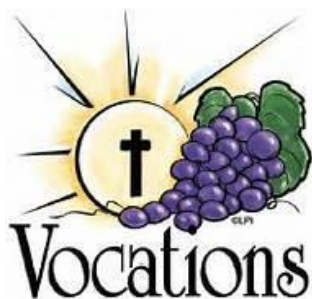
A Prayer which will release 1,000 Souls from Purgatory each time it is said.

Prayer of St. Gertrude The Great

"Eternal Father, I offer thee the most precious blood of thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family." AMEN

If you have anyone you would like mentioned in this section,

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An Vo

Send Prayers and notes of encouragement to our seminarian.

**Office of Vocations
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Houston, TX 77002
Attention: An Vo**

The Rosary & Holy Hour for Pro Life is scheduled every Thursday in the Day Chapel from 6:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Followed by U.S. Conference Of Catholic Bishops



COME PRAY TO HELP END ABORTION!

Every Day holds The Possibility of a Miracle.

Spiritual Enhancement Opportunities



The fullness of wisdom is fear of the Lord, she is present with faithful in the womb. --Sir 1:14



**Four Candles
Reflection
Service
Given by:**

**Kathy Fisher
Patsy Kelly
Kim Chavez
Jackie Hollkamp
Judy Christy**



The Four Candles burned slowly.

Their Ambiance was so soft you could hear them speak...

The first candle said, "I Am Peace, but these days, nobody wants to keep me lit."

Then Peace's flame slowly diminishes and goes out completely.

The second candle says, "I Am Faith, but these days, I am no longer indispensable."

Then Faith's flame slowly diminishes and goes out completely.

Sadly the third candle spoke, "I Am Love and I haven't the strength to stay lit any longer."

"People put me aside and don't understand my importance. They even forget to love those who are nearest to them." And waiting no longer, Love goes out completely.

Suddenly...

A child enters the room and sees the three candles no longer burning.

The child begins to cry, "Why are you not burning? You are supposed to stay lit until the end."

Then the Fourth Candle spoke gently to the little boy, "Don't be afraid, for I Am Hope, and while I still burn, we can re-light the other candles."

With Shining eyes the child took the Candle of Hope and lit the other three candles.

Never let the Flame of Hope go out of your life.

**With Hope, no matter how bad things look and are...Peace, Faith and Love can
Shine Brightly in our lives.**

Author Unknown



Above - L-R

Judy Christy, Jackie Hollkamp, Kim Chavez & Patsy Kelly



L-R
Diane Sebesta & Hannah Sebesta



L-R
Kathy Ehlinger - Helen Cantu



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Dolores Zdunkawicz
Mary Thompson - Catherine Guillory



L-R
Esther Martinez - Stacey McMurry



L-R
Hannah Sebesta - Diane Sebesta - Barbara Levandoski
Kathy Fisher



L-R
Linda Towne - Jackie Hollkamp



Maryann Spencer



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Joan Sullivan - Rachel Miller



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Judy Christy - Linda Garcia - Rose Jordan



Margaret Rutledge

May Jesus' Light shine on you all the year long - Have A Blessed New Year

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*Immaculate Heart of Mary,
Pray for Us!*

**Happy
New Year!**

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And the March Goes On.....January 20, 2023

On January 20, 2023, the 50th annual March for Life will once again take place and Catholic Daughters will be there as always. We invite all Catholic Daughters to come to Washington, DC and join the National Board as we process down Constitution Avenue to our Capital building showing continued support for our God given and our United State of America Constitution right to life for all. If you can't come to DC, then join in a march for life near you in solidarity with us.

In the words of Dr. Seuss; "A Person's
A Person, No Matter How Small!"
Susan Moné, National Regent
Elect



2022-2024 DIRECTORY
If you have changes,
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**OUR FEBRUARY
MEETING IS
DEDICATED TO BABY
SHOWER FOR
BIRTHRIGHT**

Saint of the Month



St. Kateri Tekakwitha
is a saint who was born in the Mohawk village of Ossernenon, on the south side of the Mohawk River in present-day New York State. She converted to Catholicism at age nineteen. During her life, she gave many valuable speeches about God and human life.

"Despise the discourse of those
who have no faith."

"My Jesus, I must risk
everything with You. I love You,
but I have offended You. It is to
satisfy Your justice that I am
here. Discharge upon me, O my
God, discharge upon me Your
wrath."

St. Kateri Tekakwitha



Every morning, even in the bitterest winter, she stood before the chapel door until it opened at four and remained there until after the last Mass. Out from her Caughnawaga cabin at dawn and straight-way to chapel to adore the Blessed Sacrament, hear every Mass; back again during the day to hear instruction, and at night for a last prayer of Benediction.