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Lake Jackson, TX

Lakeside News



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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.”

Regent Message

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We hope you enjoyed the newsletter.

Please contact Sarah Ebey at 706-799-4415 or Rhonda Palasota at 979-709-2777 or Juanita Oppermann at 979-388-3324 with any suggestions, future newsletter items or corrections.

Many thanks to members who contributed articles and photos for the newsletter!

*** All articles are written by Sarah Ebey unless otherwise noted. ***

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National CDA - www.catholicdaughters.org

Texas CDA - www.texascd.org



Regent Message



Regent Message

Well National CDA Day has come and gone. Thanks to our wonderful committee and members of the court, it was a huge success! Thanks go out to our co-chairmen Dottie Mensik and Delia Hock and their committee consisting of Kathy Ward, Janet Spicer, Deana Hudgeons, Bunny Swist, Janet Gipson, Rachel Ward and Ann Riedel. They did an excellent job planning and executing the inspirational event.

The day began with registration and a light breakfast followed by Mass officiated by Msgr. Leo Wlecyzk and Deacon Gary Forse. Music was provided by Patty Sayes and Donna Rogido with Mark Polimeno playing the organ. The music added an inspiring touch to the Mass and we greatly appreciated Patty, Donna, and Mark setting aside the time to spend with us.

Faye Marshall, District Deputy of District #24, and Msgr. Leo Wlecyzk conducted the installation of the new officers of District 35 for the 2018-2020 term of office. We greatly appreciated Faye Marshall joining us for the day and standing in for Rhonda Palasota who was unable to attend.

We were blessed to have Duchess Collins, the State Ceremonial Chairman, attend and facilitate the Memorial for the Deceased Members of District #35 who have died since October, 2017. It was an honor to remember the deceased members of our court, Stella Girouard and Mary Lou Christie. Both were very active members of Our Lady Queen of the Lake, Court #2364. Their presence will be sorely missed.

Speaker for the Day was Kim Brown, the Director of the Christian Renewal Center in Dickinson, TX. She spoke about how we can be the hands, voice and heart of God through the small things we do every day.

Lunch was provided by "Talk About Good" and desserts were provided by generous members of the court. Thanks to all

who provided desserts. They were delicious.

Faye Marshall, District Deputy of District 24, formally inducted seven new members into the Courts of District 35. The new members formally inducted into Our Lady Queen of the Lake, Court #2364 were Janet Spicer, Deanna Hudgeons, Sue Merritt, Margie McAda, Olivia Gomez, Jan Denomy, and Elizabeth Calhoun. New members DanDee Trevino, Maryjane Donley and Sofka Werkmeister were not present for the installation.

The day ended with the announcement of District #35's member of the year. The honor this year belonged to Bunny Swist. Congratulations to Bunny! We appreciate all you do for our court, our parish, and the community.

Thanks to all who took the time from their busy schedule to attend. We had a good turnout from our court. We would have liked to have seen more in attendance. However, you will have more opportunities in the near future to support our court. We have some more important events coming up shortly and we hope that we will see many of you out supporting our court.

November 8th is the Fall Bunco supporting Saint Vincent DePaul. We need members to donate door prizes, bring food items, and come and have a good time visiting with fellow CDA members. Bring friends and family. The more the merrier.

We also have the **Christmas party on December 1st** in conjunction with the Knights of Columbus. This is our big party just for us and to support our **Adopt A Family** committee in providing Christmas, school supplies, and clothing for our chosen family. The Knights will provide the meat and our court will provide the starches, vegetables, and desserts. We hope to see a big turnout. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend. More information to follow.

By Juanita Oppermann, Regent



National News



CDA Quarterly Newsletter September 2018



A Sister's Blessing To Begin The New CDA Term

Connie Dronette, National Director
National Chairman for Spiritual Enhancement

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Regent:

It is so good to begin a new CDA year with so many possibilities. Let us take a few minutes to give thanks and seek guidance.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Heavenly Father, as we gather together this day, we thank You for the summer break. We thank you for all the blessings we have received. We ask that You guide us as we begin a new CDA year. We pray that we will hear Your voice and do Your will. Please bless our projects and lead us as we seek to help others.

Vice Regent:

We are going to ask that you find a partner and in prayer, remain respectfully quiet. You will be asked to bless your partner at the end of each prayer.

Our Minds: Lord, may we have kind and wise thoughts. Help us to think of new ways to help those who are most in need. Please make the sign of the cross on your partner's forehead.

Our Eyes: Lord, help us to see the world as You do. Aid us in seeing our sisters through Your eyes. Let us find You in everyone we meet. Please make the sign of the cross on your partner's eyes.

Recording Secretary:

Our Ears: Lord, may we hear You above the noisiness of our world. May we hear the cry of the needy and the poor. Help us to listen to Your word that it may stir action in us. Help us to listen to our sister's stories when they need someone to listen. Please make the sign of the cross on your partner's ears.

Our Mouth: Lord, let us speak Your words. May we speak truth and justice. May we speak to our sisters with love and kindness. Let us laugh with others in the joy that comes from You. Please make the sign of the cross on your partner's mouth.

Financial Secretary:

Our Hearts: Lord, may our hearts be on fire for You. May we love our CDA sisters with the same love that You have for them. Give us a heart full of generosity and compassion. Please make the sign of the cross on your partner's heart.

Our Hands: Lord, may we use our hands to reach out to others in need. May we use them to care for those that need our support. Let us use our hands to embrace our sisters when they need us. Please make the sign of the cross on your partner's hands.

Treasurer:

Our Feet: Lord, may we use our feet to walk in Your light. May our feet take us to those who need us. Let us walk with our sisters in their time of need. Please make the sign of the cross on your partner's feet.

Regent:

Heavenly Father, we lift up our hearts and souls to you. We ask that you use us this year in becoming a blessing to others. We pray that the friendship we share with our sisters in our court become stronger this year. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

For complete newsletter

https://www.catholicdaughters.org/Qtr_Newsletter/2018_09/Sept_2018_CDA_Quarterly_Newsletter.pdf



State News



DUCHESS COLLINS ON CEREMONIALS

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Duchess Collins

Ceremonials

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Ceremonies emphasize the purpose of meetings, the duties of officers and the significance of recognition given to individuals.

Ceremonies have always had a place of special importance in CDA. They are a celebration of special occasions that members feel are important.

Let's ask ourselves, "why have a ceremony?" Ceremonies are used to highlight or recognize special accomplishments and goals attained. Ceremonies can be used to convey a message, to challenge and inspire all the members to reach greater heights in personal growth in CDA, and a ceremony must convey that "you" and "this moment" are special.

Ceremonies can create a feeling of affiliation with and acceptance by an ever expanding circle of acquaintances. You may ask, "When a ceremony should be used?" Anytime a member has completed a goal, fulfilled a special accomplishment, or has been recognized for a noteworthy task. The accomplishments on the part of the court should also be recognized by ceremonies.

New officers for the 2018-2020 have been elected and began their duties in June. Invite your District Deputy to your meeting, wear your robes and have an Installation of Officers ceremony. This information can be found in the Tools of the Trade, Ceremonials, Section IV, Court Room Installation of Officers, which is also one of the best resources for ceremonies.

As state chairman, I would like to encourage everyone to bring back some ceremonial activities that they may not be doing any more. You would begin by having the Regent appoint a ceremonial coordinator. Ceremonies can include; Installation of Court officers; Reception of New Members; Memorial Services gives us a wonderful opportunity to remember our deceased sisters. Ask your Financial Secretary to order the book, "Memorial Services for Deceased Members" from the national office. There is also a beautiful Resolution of Condolence you may order from the national office to present to the family during the funeral of a member. Each court should have a couple of these available for when needed.

Ceremonies are about important occasions, so why are we not taking time for the ceremonies of our Order? If time is the element, most do not take more than fifteen minutes. Tools of the trade also have a "Prayer Service" section that has a lot of resources for many occasions.

Inviting our state officers to attend special occasions of the court such as court anniversaries, holiday dinners, etc. adds to the celebration.

If you would like to have state representation you should check the state calendar, posted on the state website at www.texasda.org to see if there is anything the state board has anything scheduled for the day you would like to have your event. Then contact the state regent to see if arrangements can be made to have state representation.

For example, it is not necessary to have your event on the exact date of the courts anniversary; an alternative date for your event may work out better.

Please call me if you have any questions about ceremonies, flag etiquette, the planning of a ceremony, etc.. Remember in the planning of your next ceremonial presentation, keep it simple, impressive and enjoy the moment.



Mary is the Patroness of our Order

Unity & Charity

For complete newsletter

<http://www.texasda.org/Newsletter/2018/Fall%202018%20CDA%20Newsletter.pdf>



CDA & Make A Difference Days



District 35 CDA Day

We would like to thank all those involved in the planning and coordination that went into making our CDA Day a wonderful time for worship, reflection and fellowship. We had 83 members from four courts in attendance. Each Regent received Proclamations from Lake Jackson Mayor Bob Sipple and Senator Joan Huffman, presented by Gloria Millsap. Bunny Swist was announced as District # 35 Member of the Year and before announcing the court that would claim the Traveling Angel we prayed the Patriotic Rosary. As the afternoon was coming to a close Our Lady Queen of the Lake, Court # 2364, brought home the Traveling Angel with 42 sisters present.



See Pictures on
pg. 6

Written By Sarah Ebey, Newsletter Editor
Information provided
by Dottie Mensik, D35 CDA Day Co-Chair

Catholic Daughters and Make A Difference Day

Make A Difference Day is celebrated on October 27th. Make a Difference Day was started back in 1992 by *USA Weekend* magazine. Since its creation, "Make A Difference Day" has helped to encourage thousands of people across the nation to start making an actual difference in the world. Contributions to making the world a better place have ranged from gathering stuffed bears for firefighters to give to injured and frightened children, to organizing relief efforts for victims of natural catastrophes like Hurricane Harvey. Overall, "Make A Difference Day," has spurred people to make a difference in themselves, and the world. Each year our court tries to do something that will make a difference in the lives of others. This year the court chose to take up a collection at District # 35's "National CDA Day," to donate to the Pregnancy Help Center. The courts of District # 35 donated \$534.47 dollars. The money will be delivered on Tuesday, November 6. Thanks to all who donated to this worthy cause.

Juanita Oppermann, Regent



District 35 National CDA Day



National CDA Day (NCD) October 27, 2018

Below: District # 35 Members together in procession to morning Mass.



Above L to R: Msgr. Leo Wleczyk, Court # 2364 Regent Juanita Oppermann, and District # 24 District Deputy, Faye Marshall



Above: Installation of the new court officers of District 35 for the 2018-2020 term of office.



Above: Guest Speaker Kim Brown, the Director of the Christian Renewal Center Dickinson, TX



Above Left: Duchess Collins, State Ceremonial Chairman (see article on pg. 4)



Above Right L to R: Gloria Millsap Representative for Senator Joan Huffman, Regent Court # 2364 Juanita Oppermann, Regent Court # 2289 Lisa Schaubroeck, Regent Court # 2134 Blanca Ochoa and Regent Court # 2334 Dina Tonche.



Did you Know.....



Guidelines for Wearing White **Tradition**

The wearing of white on formal occasions is a lovely TEXAS tradition. It helps the Catholic Daughters of the Americas to be visible at parish and community functions. Wearing white complements formal ceremonies such as a Reception of New Members or the Institution of a New Court.

However, wearing white is not mandatory for any event. Usually, the court will decide before an event if they wish to honor the tradition of wearing white. If so, this will be indicated in the invitation.

Some women cannot afford the expense and others may feel uncomfortable wearing white, especially in the winter months.

As Catholic Daughters of the Americas, whose motto is "Unity and Charity", it is important that all members are made to feel welcome.

Definition of Wearing White

A member wearing white may wear a white dress, a white suit jacket and skirt/slacks, or a white blouse with a skirt/slacks. Business attire is appropriate; however, shorts and capri length pants are not appropriate.

A member wearing white may wear white shoes; however, "flip flop" sandals would not be appropriate.

If nylons are worn, a nude or flesh tone is recommended; white nylons are not recommended.

You can read more on the guidelines for wearing white. Information such as When White is Required, When White is Suggested, and When White is Not Required can be found at
<http://www.texasda.org/whiteDresses.php>.



CDA Annual Fall Bunco Bash



Mark Your Calendars



CDA Annual Fall Bunco Bash Fundraiser for St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Michael's November 8, 2018 - Thursday

Sponsored by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Court Our Lady Queen of the Lake #2364

No bunco experience required and everyone is welcome!
(don't have to be Catholic Daughter, St. Michael's or even Catholic)

Date: November 8, 2018 * Time: 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

Where: Wleczyk Hall

**St. Michael's Catholic Church
100 Oak Drive South
Lake Jackson, TX**



\$10 per person to play * Winners get cash prizes *** Door Prizes
Proceeds benefit St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP)**

Please consider bringing non-perishable food items needed for SVdP food pantry.
(spaghetti sauce/spaghetti, cereal, canned meat, pop tarts, complete pancake mix,
and SNACKS FOR KIDS are especially needed!)

Random door prize drawings: You receive one ticket just for coming and then one ticket
for every item donated (5 items = 5 tickets!)

**Bring a friend - all are welcome - the more the merrier!
Please bring an appetizer, finger food or sweet to share
Drinks will be provided**

***** RSVP by Monday, November 5 *****

Betty Jo Jurries at 979-297-2962 or
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OR

Pat Williams at 979-239-8646 or
williams100@comcast.net





Mums & Mistletoe Market



The Women of St. Michael's Host the 36th Annual

Mums & Mistletoe Market 2018

St. Michael's Catholic Church
100 Oak Dr. South

Lake Jackson, TX 77566

November 16th, 2018 9-6pm

November 17th, 2018 9-3pm

50 Vendors

Bake Sale

Market Café

**Serving our "Famous Cheese
Soup"**

**Market Café hours will be 10-3
both days**

**We will now be accepting
Credit/Debit Card Purchases
using Square®**



- **Raffle Grand Prize- Queen Sized Quilt**
- **Other Wonderful Raffle Prizes as well**
- **Along with Hourly Door Prizes**

Free to the Public

Please no strollers allowed in the Market

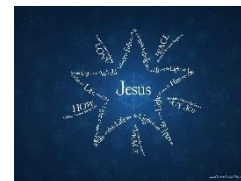
Contact the WOSM at:

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Visit us on Facebook at: Women of St. Michael's-Lake Jackson



Gathering Place Invite



CDA Sisters are Invited

Gathering Place Christmas party invitation is for all CDA District 35 courts. The party is December 6th. We invite CDA to our party as a thank you for helping with the Brain Fair bake sale.

By Pat Williams



The Gathering Place Interfaith Ministries
Invites Participants and Their Families
and Volunteers to Our

Annual Christmas Party



Thursday, December 6, 2018

11:00 am - 2:00 pm

First United Methodist Church

219 Arcola

Angleton, TX 77515



**(Caregivers are required to stay
with participants for this event only)**

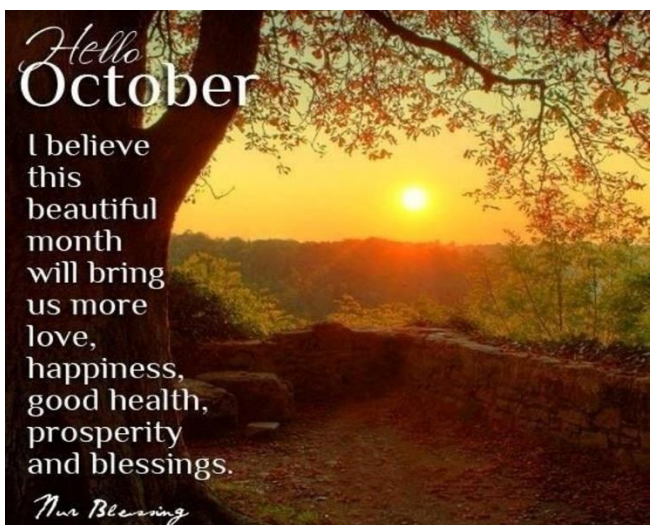


There will be **Caroling**, Photos with **Santa**,
Fun and Games, **Door Prizes** & **Delicious Food!**

NEW THIS YEAR: Please bring your own camera or phone to
take Santa photos. Elves can assist with taking photos for you.
We will not print photos this year. If you do not have a
camera/phone to use, we can provide.



**RSVP by November 26 to Sherri Archer at
979-297-9984 or sarcher531@gmail.com**

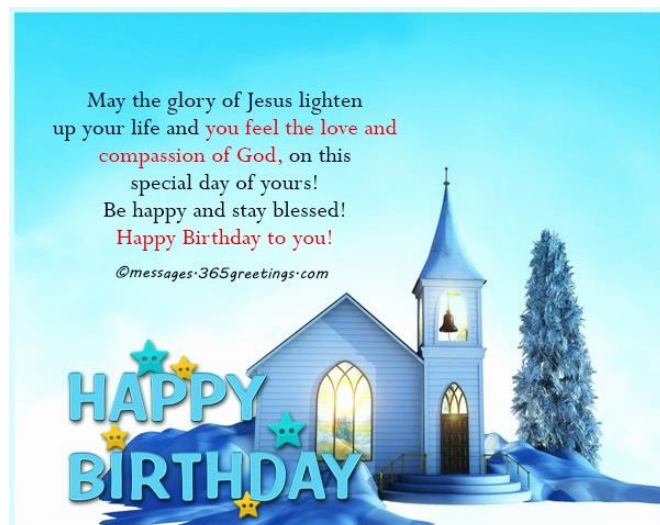


October Birthday's

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|----------------------|------------------------|
| 1 – Binnie Bauml | 19 – Isabel Respondek |
| 11 – Karen Bean | 23 – Adriana Marcotte |
| 11 – Sally Dodge | 24 – Juanita Oppermann |
| 13 – Gwen Williams | 27 – Diana Schutze |
| 14 – Vera Munro | 28 – Phyllis Voyles |
| 14 – Lynette Walsh | 29 – Lucy Rentrop |
| 15 – Erin Spoor | 31 – Genevieve Buenger |
| 17 – Jeanette Matzke | 31 – Kathy Ward |
| 17 – Heather Mendoza | |
| 17 – Lydia Summers | |

November Birthday's

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|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 – Sandy Seeley | 20 – Pat Gaspard |
| 2 – Sandy Polka | 20 – Alicia Sanchez |
| 4 – Sarah Langston | 24 – Toni Kwan |
| 5 – Debbie Matula | 25 – Elizabeth Benbrook |
| 5 – Teresa Sablatura | 25 – Kerry Drabek |
| 9 – Rita Anderson | 25 – Carmen Galvan |
| 14 – Peggy Robinson | 25 – Karen Koranek |
| 16 – Patricia Williams | 27 – Kathleen Calhoun |
| 17 – Sharon Ernst | 29 – Pamela Ermis |
| 18 – Becki Pena | |



December Birthday's

- | | |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 4 – Delia Hock | 17 – Mary Montague |
| 4 – Gloria Millsap | 18 – Susie Fast |
| 7 – Jodi Radulic | 19 – Alice Drapela |
| 8 – Shirley Theriot | 25 – Elsa Branson |
| 9 – Ruth Ermis | 25 – Sofka Werkmeister |
| 9 – Dottie Mensik | 30 – Margarita Prinz |
| 16 – Phyllis Shomette | |



CDA Court Calendar



| Date | Event | Time | Location |
|-------------|---|--|--------------|
| 5 Nov | Patriotic Rosary | 7p | Church |
| 7 Nov | Sewing Day | 9a – 1p | F-Wing |
| 8 Nov | Annual Fall Bunco | See Flyer pg. 8 | |
| 16 & 17 Nov | Mums & Mistletoe | See Flyer pg. 9 | |
| 21 - 23 Nov | Thanksgiving Day (Parish Office closes at noon on Nov 21 will reopen Nov 26) | | |
| 29 Nov | Regular Business Mtg | 6:30p social / 7p mtg | Angelina |
| 1 Dec | CDA/KC Christmas Party | 6:30p | Wleczyk Hall |
| 3 Dec | Patriotic Rosary | 7p | Church |
| 6 Dec | Last Day to Turn in GAP Christmas Present | | |
| 6 Dec | Gathering Place Annual Christmas Party | See Flyer pg. 10 | |
| 24 Dec | Christmas Eve (Parish Office closed) | | |
| 25 Dec | Christmas Day (Parish Office closed) | | |
| 31 Dec | New Year's Eve (Parish Office closed) | | |
| 1 Jan 2019 | New Year's Day (Parish Office closed) | | |
| 7 Jan 2019 | Patriotic Rosary | 7p | Church |
| 9 Jan | Sewing Day | 9a – 1p | F-Wing |
| 24 Jan | Regular Business Mtg | 6:30p social / 7p mtg | Angelina |
| 4 Feb | Patriotic Rosary | 7p | Church |
| 6 Feb | Sewing Day | 9a – 1p | F-Wing |
| 14 Feb | Valentine's Day | | |
| 28 Feb | Regular Business Mtg | 6:30p social / 7p mtg | Angelina |
| 2 & 3 Mar | Chicken Spaghetti Dinner | Check out future newsletters for more information. | |



CDA Court



Recipe: Cookie Salad Submitted by Janet Gipson

When I first heard that we were having Cookie Salad, I wondered what type of salad would have cookies in it. Then at our monthly CDA meeting I tried some for myself. There were so many compliments that it was requested for National CDA Day hosted by our court here at St. Michaels.

Ingredients

- 2 - 3.4-ounce packages instant vanilla pudding mix
- 2 c. buttermilk
- 1 - 16 oz. cool whip thawed
- 2 - 11 oz. cans mandarin oranges drained (after draining juice, cut up oranges a little smaller)
- 1 - 20 oz. can crushed pineapple drained
- 2 pkgs Keebler fudge stripe cookies (Crush 1½ pkg of cookies in a Ziplock baggie.)

By Sarah Ebey, Newsletter Editor

Instructions

1. In a large bowl, combine vanilla pudding mix and milk.
2. Beat with an electric hand mixer until thick (about 1 minute).
3. Fold in whipped topping.
4. Stir in mandarin oranges, crushed pineapple and 1½ pkgs of crushed up cookies.
5. Crush remaining cookies and sprinkle on top of the mixture. Cover & refrigerate.

By Janet Gipson

Prayer Request

We have so many members & friends in need of prayers.

Pray for all the souls of the faithful departed from our parish and members of our families. May they rest in peace. Condolences for those we have lost over the last month: Joe McNabb, brother of Sheri Hanson; Misty Flora, friend of Mary Montague; Tyler Boaz, St. Michael's parishioner

Faithful prayer warriors, please continue to pray for all those requesting prayers & especially for those on our **Immediate prayer request list:**

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|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Pete Stavinoha | Carolyn | Igor Radulic; |
| & Glenda | Erikson; Boots | J.R.Ramirez; |
| (Mensik); | & Ruth | Jim S.; Katie- |
| Melissa Allred; | Ermis; Marlo | Anne Marie |
| Jim Aud; Sherry | Fischer (Kiefer); | Schilling; |
| Bergen; Denny | Virgie Holub | Mirella |
| Blackwell; | (Mensik); Cindy | Sherman; |
| Peyton Boaz; | Matula Larson; | Joyce Sykora; |
| Nick Cessarini; | Kathy Latino; | Rocky Thomas; |
| Diane | Ernie Mensik; | Ray Villarreal; |
| Christenson | Bubba Moore; | Bridget West |
| (West); Deacon | Paul Perdue; | Grandmother |
| Augustin Cruz; | Linda Price; | |

By Mary Montague

Our Christian Pumpkin

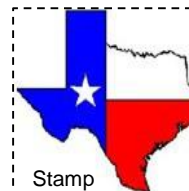
Our pumpkin lies on the dirty ground
With other pumpkins all around.
We pick it for its special role
Wash and polish, then a hole
We cut, to take the the seeds away
Seeds of doubt, greed and dismay.
A smiling mouth carefully carves
And all at once, our pumpkin laughs!
Two eyes we carve to give it sight
Then last of all, we add a light
And it's pumpkiny glory shines so bright
To chase off the shadows of night.

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