

Motto

"Unity and Charity"

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 rights and human dignity for all mankind.

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Newsletter Article Submissions

Deadline for the October newsletter is October 20, 2023. Please email submissions/photos to: itsbrigette@hotmail.com.



Regent's Corner

Dear sisters, we've made it through the long HOT summer! God has sent more tolerable days as we continue to need rain, just not a hurricane! I hope you are refreshed and ready to give your time and talents for the good of the court as a great year is anticipated.

Our work and projects are greatly appreciated in the parish and by the clients at the Mont Belvieu Rehab and Wellness Center with our service project. With the new Social Committee, they've planned a variety of new events to enjoy for fun and fellowship. An example is the Bunco Party on Sept. 29th. Hope you can make it.

Let's all pray for God's blessings to rain down on our court to have a great year in Unity and Charity.

Yours in Christ. Rosalyn Boehme



Venmo Update Venmo is not yet set up and working, however, PayPal is.

First Communion and Confirmation Receptions, both receptions were a success special thanks to the committee members and volunteers!

David Workman's Ordination Reception, wonderful reception! Deacon David was truly touched by the fellowship, kind words and love. Thank you CDA Members!

Ministry Fair has been moved to September 23rd/24th, 2023. Volunteers will be needed at each of the masses to talk with parishioners about CDA. Brochures, new pictures on the tri fold picture board will aid in promoting CDA. There will also be an album created by Brigette Whitman, to include CDA activities such as conventions, service projects, fundraisers, etc.

Service Projects Motion was passed to continue to fund Service Projects for the Mont Belvieu Rehabilitation and Wellness Center for 2023-2024.

End of the Year Social a short meeting was held prior to the end of the year party along with Priest Appreciation Sunday. Special thanks to Darleen Lovinggood for hosting the after-pool party at her home.

Member Survey – results are completed and were emailed to members.

Eucharistic Revival – Ann Best presented to members information on the Eucharistic Revival. She shared with the members the importance of the National Eucharistic Revival, which is a movement intended to restore the understanding and devotion to the Eucharist. It aims to renew our faith by worshiping of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Ann provided materials for members to take home and share with their families. For more information, please contact Ann Best.

Proposed Budget for 2023-2024 – Budget was emailed prior to the September Meeting for review. After discussions, a motion was made to approve the Budget for 2023-2024.

Proposed Standing Rules for 2023-2024 – Updated Stating Rules was emailed prior to the September Meeting for review. After discussions, a motion was made to approve the Standing Rules for 2023-2024.

Children's Mass Books – Proposal was presented by Brigette Whitman, Circle of Love Family Chair, to purchase the same Children's Mass books that are used at the Basilica. The cost for these mass books would be split between both CDA and the Knights of Columbus. A motion was made to approve the purchase of 100 Children's Mass Books. Brigette and David Whitman will take the lead in this project and update the membership accordingly.

SAVE THE DATE





Sept 23rd /24th

Ministry Fair after each mass. Volunteer to promote CDA and answer any questions. Wear purple or white with your pins/ribbons.

Sept 29th

Bunco 6pm-9pm in in the Ferris-Wismer Fellowship Hall. \$5.00 per person, BYOB. Guests welcome!



October

Respect for Life Month for more information visit: www.respectlife.org/celebrate

October 14th

Pregnancy Resource Center East Fundraiser/Banquet at the Hyatt Regency Baytown. Dinner at 7pm, with Silent Auction at 6pm. Contact Ann Best or Rosa Loftin for tickets or more information.

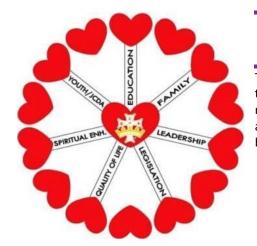
October 15th

CDA Sunday at 8:30am Mass.
Gather in the Narthex by
8:15am for procession in. Wear white with your pins/ribbons.
We will take a photo with Father afterwards.

October 17th

Thanksgiving Service Project 7pm in the Ferris-Wismer Fellowship Hall after our October Meeting.





Circle of Love Committees and Chairs

This is who we are and what we do in CDA. The seven spokes program is bound together by the common interest of LOVE. To be effective in doing good works, we must reach out to those who are suffering and use our God given talents in making a positive difference in the lives of others. Two or three spokes of the program can be focused on each year or for a two-year term.

Circle of Love – Jeanette Jett

- **Education** Deborah Kinsey
- Family Brigette Whitman
- **Leadership** Jeanne Newman
- **Legislation** *need volunteer*
- Quality of Life Jeanette Jett
- Spiritual Enhancement Meg Deskin
- **Youth** need volunteer

Adopt-a-Family – Suzanne Croft and Caroline Browder

Baby Shower – Ann Best, Kim Crain, Caroline Browder, Suzanne Croft, and Sandy Vargas

Budget - Court Officers

Ceremonial Coordinator – Deborah Kinsey

Church Festival Activity — Court Volunteers to run/work an activity.

Confirmation Reception – Nancy Johnson, Darlene Deen and Josie Vela

Financial Review - Kim Crain, Ginger Downs, Sandra Wilson, and Court Officers

Fundraising: Poinsettia Sale – Mary Wilson, Jeanne Newman, Rosalyn Boehme, and Brigette Whitman

Spring Event - Julie Bukowski, Darlene Vyoral, Brigette Whitman, and Rosalyn Boehme

Historian/Scrapbook/Photos – need volunteer

Liturgy – **Meg Deskin,** Brenda Guillory

Pastoral Council – Tamra Strano, Alt.

Media/HT Website & Facebook/Photos - Darlene Lovinggood and Kay Lafitte

Memorial Mass Cards – Suzanne Croft and Beth Strickland

Newsletter – Brigette Whitman

Parliamentarian – need volunteer

Receptions: First Holy Communion - Nancy Johnson, Caroline Browder, Veronica Skillern, Josie Vela, and

Sandy Vargas

, Josie Vela and Darlene Deen Confirmation –

Rosary – Jeanette Jett, Darlene Deen and Nancy Johnson

Scholarships - Angela Heffner, Meg Deskin, Darlene Vyoral, Kim Crain, and Rosalyn Boehme

Service Project – Darlene Lovinggood, Kay Lafitte, Meg Deskin, and Nancy Johnson

Social – Mary Wilson, Darlene Lovinggood, Meg Deskin, Kay Lafitte, Deborah Kinsey, and Veronica Skillern

Standing Rules - Beth Strickland, Mary Cole, Kim Crain, Jeanette Jett, and Court Officers Brigette Whitman, Alt.

Sunshine (Birthday Cards) - Brenda Guillory

Yearbook – Brigette Whitman

Circle of Love (Jeanette Jett)

- There are several ways to record your volunteer hours:
 - Scan the QR Code with your phone.
 - Access the website address.
 - Use the paper form and email to Jeanette Jett.

Hours can be recorded once a month, once a year, twice a year – just make sure your hours are recorded.

*QR Code and website address are on the last page of the newsletter

Liturgy (Meg Deskin)

- Ministry Sunday is September 23rd/24th. Volunteers are needed after each mass to promote CDA and answer any questions. A photo album with our Court activities will be on display as well.
- Blue Mass honoring 1st Responders is September 28th at 6pm
- October Ministry Training, see bulletin for dates/times.
- Nov 1 All Saints Days, Holy Day of Obligation
- Nov 2 All Souls Day, Book of Remembrance is in the Narthex. Names of those deceased this year will be read in the evening mass.

Social Events (Kay Lafitte)

Bunco September 29th from 6pm-9pm at the Ferris-Wismer Fellowship Hall. Cost: \$5.00 per person. Cash prizes for the games. BYOB

Service Project (Darlene Lovinggood)

- After the June 4th Potluck/Social, Court Members assembled the Patriotic Bags for the residents of the Mont Belvieu Rehabilitation & Wellness Center. Court Members also delivered the Patriotic Bags and visited with the residents.
- Thanksgiving Service Project at the Ferris-Wismer Fellowship Hall after the Oct 17th Meeting. We will be stuffing toiletry bags for the residents of the Mont Belvieu Rehabilitation & Wellness Center.

Yearbook (Brigette Whitman)

Send any updates to address, email and/or phone numbers so the roster can be updated.

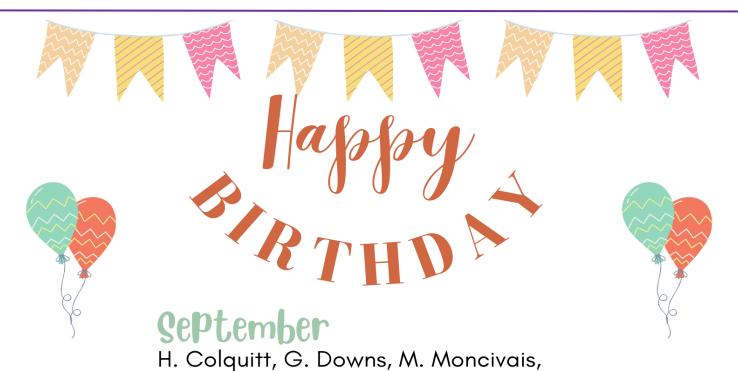
If you created a distribution list, please ensure that it is correct. Refrain from "piggybacking" off a previous emails sent out.

Scholarships (Angela Heffner)

All recipients have received up their checks.

Memorial Mass Cards (Suzanne Croft)

Memorial Mass Cards can be purchased for \$5 for anyone living or deceased.



October

J. Vela and M. Wilson

B. Guillory, R. Marshall and J. Newman

November

C. Carley, C. McElroy, T. Strano and

S. Vargas







ONGRATULATION



DEACON DAVID WORKMAN

CDA Members served during the reception for our Deacon!

"Since God often sends us his inspirations by means of his angels, we ought frequently to offer him our aspirations through the same channel. ... Call on them and honor them frequently, and ask their help in all your affairs, temporal as well as spiritual."

St. Francis de Sales



CDA Members presented a monetary gift to Father Khanh in honor of Priest Appreciation Day.



CDA membership presented our District Deputy, Virginia Ramirez, a monetary gift as token of our appreciation.

Thank you, Virginia, for all you do for our courts!



Mission Statement

The members of the State Court love Christ and His Church and are dedicated to leading others to Christ and to His service through The Catholic Daughter of the Americas.

2023/2025

Texas State Officers

Carolyn Ritchey State Regent

Mary Jane Albert First Vice State Regent

Virginia Olsovsky Second Vice State Regent

> **Debbie Johnson** State Secretary

> **Janet Purdy** State Treasurer

Cardinal Daniel DiNardo State Chaplain

Father Victor Perez Associate State Chaplain

Where God Guides, He Provides

Isiah 58:11

State News

Lone Star Messenger Newsletter September 2023

Check out the September issue now on the State's Website.

Robe Survey

National is now conducting a survey on the current style of CDA Ceremonial Robes. Vote today! Go to the Texas CDA Website for more information. Deadline is January 31, 2024.

National CDA Fall Retreat (Nov 10, 2023)

CDA National Chaplain, Fr. Shenan Boquet, will lead a retreat entitled, "PUT YOUR NETS OUT INTO THE DEEP: MOVING MOUNTAINS". If you are interested in attending,

Important Dates

October 1: Respect for Life Sunday

October 15: CDA Sunday

October 15: Open Enrollments for your

CDA Healthcare Plan

October 28: Make A Difference Day October 29-November 4: White Ribbons Against Pornography (WRAP) Week

> For additional information refer to www.texascda.org



National News

2022/2024 National Officers

Emily Guilherme National Regent

Susan Mone' National Regent Elect

Essie Walker First Vice National Regent

Connie Dronette Second Vice National Regent

Darlene Moritz National Secretary/Treasurer

Rev. Shenan J. Boquet National Chaplain

SOAR! Banquet Attended by National Officers and New York Catholic Daughters

Catholic Daughters presented a \$15,000 donation to our National Project at the SOAR! (Supporting Our Aging Religious) Banquet in New York City. SOAR! is a non-profit organization that provides grants to help congregations in the United States to care for their aging Sisters, Brothers and Priests. For more information on SOAR!, please visit WWW.SOAR-USA.org.

Announcing: "A Girl's Trip to the Grand Old Lady In New York City" Fundraiser

For just \$50 you can help the 1903 Society and possibly win a fun trip to CDA Headquarters ("The Grand Old Lady") in the "Big Apple!" For more information go to the National Website and Click on the flyer for downloadable Entry Form.

National Convention 2024 Is On the Horizon: Save the Dates!

August 14-18, 2024, in New Orleans. More information and complete details to come.

CDA Sunday Proclamation October 15, 2023, is National CDA

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For additional information refer to www.catholicdaughters.org



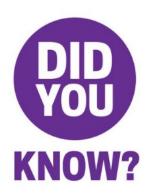
End of the Year Social and Service Project

Members dressed in pink and enjoyed a Pink Flamingo Themed Social including whimsical decorations showcasing this year's State Convention. Patriotic Gift bags were assembled for the residents at the Mont Belvieu Rehabilitation and Wellness Center.









With the 2023 Hurricane Season beginning June 1st, Forecasters predict an average with 11-15 named storms. Four to eight of those named storms are expected to reach hurricane strength, with one to three of those hurricanes achieving major hurricane status! (A major hurricane is one that has maximum sustained winds of 111 mph or greater and is rated 3-5 on the Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Wind Scale.)

Along with our own preparations for Hurricane Season, the Texas CDA State Board is busy ensuring aid and support will be available to those CDA Members who are disaster survivors. Part of our State Dues fund the CDA Texas Disaster Relief which provides aid and support to areas in Texas that were stricken by Tornados, Hurricanes, Floods, and other devastating incidents.

In the event of a disaster, the Texas CDA State Board maintains and distributes those contributions from the local courts and members to eligible CDA Members throughout Texas.

Source: www.texasCDA.org and www.nola.com



Need Some New CDA Stuff?

Shirts (spreadthewordproducts.com)

http://store.catholicdauahters.org/









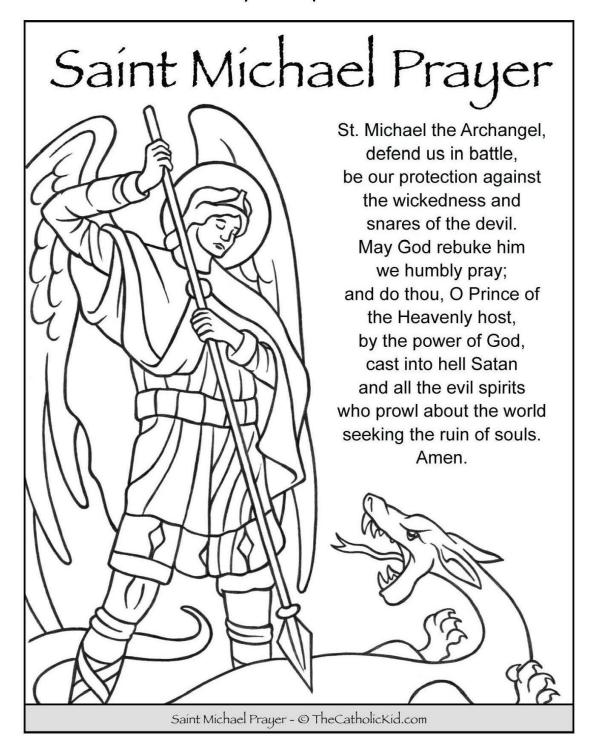
Check Us Out on Facebook! Special Thanks to Darlene Lovinggood.

Search for our group by typing in "Holy Trinity Catholic Daughters"

If you have a Facebook Account, you can click "Join Us."



Sunday Gospel Activities



Brought to you by CatholicMom.com and Holy Cross Family Ministries. THE FAMILY THAT PRAYS TOGETHER STAYS TOGETHER.

FUN FACT!

Michaelmas (September 29th, now known as the Feast of the Archangels), a celebration during which Christians traditionally thanked God for his creation and the end of the bountiful harvest.

Although apple and blackberry pie are the traditional dessert for Michaelmas, here is another recipe using apples if you don't like pie!

Apple Cake with Caramel Glaze

Ingredients

For the Cake

- 1 cup vegetable oil
- · 2 cups sugar
- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- · 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- · 3 cups peeled and chopped Granny Smith apples
- 1 cup chopped walnuts



Directions

- 1. Preheat oven to 325f degrees. Grease and flour a bundt pan.
- 2. In a large mixing bowl, combine sugar and oil until thoroughly combined. Add well beaten eggs and vanilla.
- 3.In a medium bowl, sift together flour, baking soda, and salt. Gradually add the flour mixture (in 3 batches) to the liquid mixture. Stir slowly to combine.
- 4. Finally, stir in chopped apples and walnuts. Batter will be thick.
- 5. Pour batter into prepared bundt pan.
- 6. Bake for about an hour (until a toothpick inserted comes out clean).
- 7. Allow cake to cool completely, then invert it gently onto a cake stand or large platter.

For the Glaze

- 1/2 cup salted butter (1 stick)
- · 1 cup packed light brown sugar
- 1/4 cup cream
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Directions

- 1. Begin making glaze. In a small pan, melt butter over low heat.
- 2. Whisk in brown sugar and cream.
- 3. Bring to a boil then gently reduce to a simmer. Whisk constantly for about 5 minutes then remove from heat.
- 4. Allot to cool, then stir in vanilla. Pour over cooled cake
- 5. Slice and serve.

 Notes The glaze is optional.

For additional fun facts: www.theoldfoodie.com or www.catholiccuisine.com



OCTOBER

Debbie Kinsey Mary Wilson Julie Bukowski

NOVEMBER

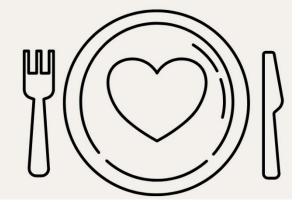
Sandra Wilson Mary Johnson Victoria Wenger

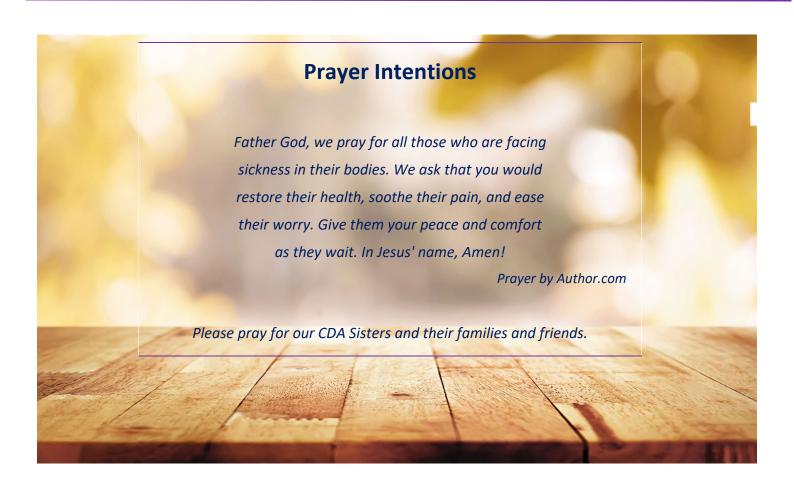
DECEMBER

Advent Party/Meeting (12 noon Potluck Bring side dish and \$10 ornament/gift).

JANUARY

Baby Shower Kim Crain Caroline Browder Suzanne Croft Sandy Vargas





Charity Hours	Monetary Donations
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