



**Court Our Lady Queen of Peace #1374**  
**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS**

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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.”

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**REGENT'S MESSAGE**

BY LORI KOCUREK

As we continue our journey “up to Jerusalem” during the month of March, three prominent ideas are proposed for our contemplation by the liturgy of Lent: the Passion and Resurrection of Christ, baptism, and penance. The Solemnity of St. Joseph (March 19) is a special landmark this month in which we will celebrate the great honor bestowed upon the foster father of Jesus. The Solemnity of the Annunciation is celebrated on March 25. And if you are Irish (who isn't?), St. Patrick's feast is another cause for a joyful celebration.

Election of new court officers will take place at the May court meeting. The court will be taking nominations from the floor for the nominating committee at the March meeting, so please consider stepping up and being on the committee.

Our court audit will be on Monday April 20, 2026, right after the monthly court meeting, the court will need at least 3 members to help with the audit. Please let me know at the March meeting if you can help.

If you know of a Catholic woman who is 18 years and older and would like to join our court, please reach out to me Lori Kocurek at 979-541-6241 or Sandra Kachmar at 979-332-3536 for more information.

Our next meeting will be on Monday March 16, 2026, in the Mikeska Fellowship Hall at 6:30pm following the praying of the rosary in Mikeska Fellowship Hall at 6:00pm. At this meeting, the Educational Contest winners will be our guests and they will presented their awards for their entries.

Happy St. Patrick's Day to all!



**NEXT MEETING:**

**March 16th, 2026**

(Rosary for Deceased Members @ 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall  
followed by Meeting & Meal in the  
Mikeska Fellowship Hall @ 6:30 p.m.)

A LIGHT MEAL WITH DESSERTS WILL BE SERVED.  
WE HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!

*Birthday ladies come for the monthly drawing!!*

*Don't forget to sign-in and put your quarter in the bowl. You may win the monthly door prize!!*

**"UNITY AND CHARITY"**



## FEBRUARY MINUTES

The regular meeting of Court Our Lady Queen of Peace #1374 was called to order by Regent Lori Kocurek on Monday, February 16th at 6:31 pm. Silent roll call found all officers present.

Regent Kocurek led the blessing of the meal. After the meal, Regent Kocurek led the opening prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas flags.

January minutes were approved with no corrections.

### CORRESPONDENCE:

The court received a thank you letter from St. Philip Catholic School for the donation to the 2025-2026 Annual Campaign.

### TREASURER REPORT:

Beginning Balance	\$13,792.30
Convention Fund	4,000.00
Ending Balance	\$13,518.92

### FINANCIAL REPORT:

Total Members	383
Honorary Members	14
Dues paid as of 2/16/26	\$7300.00
Bakeless Bake Sale	\$4,687.00
Donations	\$1045.00
Members paid	318
Members delinquent	65
Members present	29

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Quality of Life: Vice Regent Susie Orsak read the Resolution of Condolence of Member Carolyn Foegelle.

Crafts/Games: Olivia McDonald reported they will have a quilt for the parish picnic auction and some items for the Country Store.

Spiritual: Nelda Schmidt reported rosary leaders since the last meeting were: Mary Kay Price, Sandra Kachmar and Nelda Schmidt. Nelda spoke about Jesus' suffering on the cross, not just physical but mental and emotional as well. She reminded us to pull out our "I Thirst" books for our Lenten journeys. Nelda handed out prayer cards to be part of our night time prayers during Lent and then afterwards as well.

### Refreshments:

Susie Orsak reported the following members provided and/or served the meal: Emily Priesmeyer, Lil Strnadel, Lynette Strnadel, Rebecca Strnadel, Fay Supak, Joyce Svetlik, Jeraldine Socha and Margie Svoboda.

Memorial Cards: Susie Orsak reported \$9.00 in Memorial Cards.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Pat Korenek moved that the court make dressing for the KC Saint Philip Teacher Supplies fried chicken meal which will be held in July. Motion adopted. Susie Orsak will chair this event.

### NEW BUSINESS:

The award meal for the Education Contest winners will be held at the March meeting.

Court is needing five members to be on the nominee committee for new officers.

CDA Court Scholarship is due by March 31st.

### BIRTHDAYS/ATTENDANCE -Vice Regent

February Birthday – Barbara Hrcncir

Attendance – Neta Ripple

Traveling Rosary – Lillian Strnadel

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm. Regent Kocurek led the closing prayer. Our next meeting will be on Monday, March 16, 2026 at 6:30 pm with rosary prayed at 6:00 pm in the Mikeska Room.

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**FUNERAL HOSPITALITY**

**CAROLYN FOEGELLE**

Court member Carolyn Foegelle passed away on Saturday, February 7, 2026, at the age of 83. A visitation was held on Thursday February 12, 2026, from 9:00am to 10:00am with a CDA Rosary being prayed at 10:00am. The funeral Mass was held at 10:30am at St. Andrew's Catholic Church in Hillje. Burial followed at St. Anderw's Catholic Cemetery. A reception was held at St. Andrew's Parsh Hall following the burial. The court members providing desserts were Monica Bubela, Barbara K Socha, Kim Melenson, Dor Hermansen and Susie Orsak. Jane Ladewig, Monica Bubela, Nelda Schmidt and Nancy Pasak served the desserts at the reception.



**2026 Lent Dates**

- Ash Wednesday - February 18, 2026**
- Palm Sunday - March 29, 2026**
- Holy Thursday - April 2, 2026**
- Good Friday - April 3, 2026**
- Easter Sunday - April 5, 2026**



**JANUARY & FEBRUARY HOSPITALITY CARDS**

January Birthdays

- |                    |                      |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| Martha Hubenak     | Willie Mae Pinchback |
| Alice Blaha        | Pat Dybala           |
| Delores Prihoda    | Mary Mican           |
| Evelyn Robinson    | Elizabeth Mach       |
| Anne Marie Hubenak | Betty Parma          |
| Theresa Staff      | Rose Marie Janak     |
| Janet Holub        | Bernadette Kana      |

February Birthdays

- |                     |               |
|---------------------|---------------|
| Edith Eggemeyer     | Susan Radley  |
| Barbara Hrnčir      | Bea Netardus  |
| Charlene Socha      | Patsy Bubela  |
| Barbara Jean Milder | Patsy Korenek |

Get Well /Thinking of You

- LaDell Janda
- Nancy Brooks
- Alice Blaha
- Suzanne Freeman
- Pat Hoelscher
- Susan Smidth
- Lillian Socha
- Georgia Farris
- Cathy Cerny
- Sally Hudgins

Sympathy

- Charlene Borak - Sister
- Jeanette Socha - Sister

Get well cards are sent to members who are ill. Sympathy cards are sent to members upon the death of a husband, child, father, mother, sister, brother, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, or grandchild. Congratulations are sent for the birth of a child, golden wedding anniversary, 60th anniversary, 65th anniversary, etc. Cards of encouragement will be sent to the seriously ill. Birthday cards will be sent to members age 75 and over...*from the standing rules; adopted in 1999*

*If you know of any occasion which necessitates sending a hospitality card, please call me at 543-4734. – Margie Swoboda*

**FRIDAYS DURING LENT**

- Mikeska's - El Campo*
- Nade KC Fish Fry (evening only) - Nada*
- WCEC (lunch only) - Wharton*



*Do you know  
SOMEONE  
who would like to  
join our Court?  
Bring a new  
MEMBER  
to the meeting!*

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**Saturday, March 14, 2026, - PRC  
Gathering in Houston at Christ the  
Redeemer Church**

**Sunday, April 19, 2026 - 60th Anniversary  
and Family Dinner Court Annunciation  
#1962,  
La Grange**

**March 1: Education contest deadline for  
entries to State Court Chairperson**

**March 2: Read Across America Week**

**March 6: World Day of Prayer**

**March 17: St. Patrick's Day**

**March 29: Palm Sunday**

**April 2: Maundy Thursday**

**April 3: Good Friday**

**April 5: Easter**

**April 12: Divine Mercy Sunday**