



Catholic Daughters of America
Court Daughters of Mary # 2755
Bedford, TX
<https://www.smcchurch.org/cda>
February 2021



WHAT GOD WANTS FROM US

What God wants from us is simple.

What God wants is for us to live holier today than we lived yesterday, and to live a holier tomorrow than we did today.

Each day is yet another opportunity for us to grow in our relationship with God.

Friends, be confident in Christ's mercy and love.

From Jon Leonetti weekly newsletter 1/20/2021

Bible in a Year

The Bible in a Year podcast, presented by Father Mike Schmitz started in January.

<https://bibleinayear.fireside.fm/>

It's not too late to start. (It's never too late.)

Are you interested in meeting via Zoom on Sunday afternoons at 2 pm to discuss the previous week's readings? If you are interested, contact Mary Kajs.

Treasurer's Report

Current balance in our checking account is \$3892.32

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Time to renew your membership

Thanks to those who have paid their 2021 dues.

If you haven't paid your 2021 dues yet, please mail them to Mary Kajs at 419 Anice Lane Euless, TX 76039 or drop off at St Michael

Catholic Church office (3713 Harwood Rd Bedford, TX 76021). The general office hours

are M-F from 9am – 3pm and Sunday 8:30am – 2:30pm. We suggest that you confirm office

hours before you make the trip (817-283-8746).

Please ask the staff to put your check in the Catholic Daughters box. Also include your birth month and date. If you have friends who are members, check with them and remind them to pay their dues.

Two-fold purpose: Spirituality & Service

The integration of spirituality and service is the foundation of the Catholic Daughters.

CDA helps women develop their spirituality and provides avenues of service to live out that spirituality. The CDA gives members a unique opportunity to share their faith with other Catholic women.

Helping others through charitable acts in the spirit of Jesus Christ is the heart of our organization.

"Spirituality and Service": the heart and soul foundation of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas. <https://catholicdaughters.org/>

Texas CDA Convention

The biennial Texas State Convention is scheduled for April 14 -18, 2021, in Texarkana.

<https://www.texascda.org/event-details>

We will have raffle tickets to sell in February and March.

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Fundraising Update

We received our
\$77.39 from Panera.

In January, 3
members bought eGift
cards, resulting in

\$49.30 rebates from

<https://www.shopwithscrip.com>

Do you shop at Amazon, WalMart, Target, Home Depot, Lowes, Staples, Office Depot? You can purchase eGift Cards from this website – the eGift Cards are available immediately. Or you can use the RaiseRight app (my personal favorite). You can purchase an eGift Card from the parking lot of the store or restaurant and have it in the “wallet” of the app by the time you are inside.

Since we are limited in our fundraising efforts at this time, this is a great way to do “contactless” fundraising. If you have friends or family members who are interested, have them contact me and I will get the enrollment code for them.

In order to continue to provide donations to charitable organizations, we need to raise funds to do so.

We will be submitting an order on Friday 2/12/2021 for plastic gift cards. Please submit your orders on the website by noon on Friday 2/12. Gift cards will be shipped to St Michael the following week.

If you don't want to order online, but would like to order gift cards and pay our Court for them, please contact Judy Goldthorp by Thursday night 2/11 to make arrangements for payment.

Help needed

The 5 pm Mass could use our help with ushering. If one of us helped each week, it would help the other ushers, several of whom serve at several (or all) Masses. Can you volunteer to help once a quarter? Once a month? Requirements: You must be current with your Safe Environment training. Contact Sarah Messecar at smessecar@smcchurch.org or 817 510 2713 if you can help.

Did you know about . . . Mid-Cities Care Corps? <https://midcitiescarecorps.org/>
817-282-0531

We are a non-profit organization, supported by churches, civic groups, businesses and individuals, to provide Help, Hope, and Healing to our resident Seniors.

* Transportation: Volunteers transport seniors to medical appointments as well as quality-of-life drives (including Covid vaccination)

* Helping Hands: Assist seniors with minor home repairs, wheelchair ramps, adopt-a-lawn, and coordinate group service day with clients

* Social Outreach: Enable seniors to expand their social network by connecting with one another through monthly Senior Social events, the Phone-a-Friend program, Visiting Friends, and Holiday Outreach that provides gifts and good baskets.

* Serves Bedford, Colleyville, Euless, Grapevine, Haltom City, Hurst, Keller, North Richland Hills, Richland Hills, Southlake, and Watauga

Knights of Columbus Raffle

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, the Knights of Columbus Council 7641 has cancelled its annual Casino Night Charity Fundraiser this year; however they will be holding an online CHARITY FUNDRAISER RAFFLE! Thank you for your consideration and generosity and good luck in your participation. Click [HERE](#) for information on how to purchase tickets and a list of the available prizes. Help the Knights of Columbus meet their \$20,000 goal.

<https://go.rallyup.com/kofc-7641> This raffle will sell tickets from February 1, 2021 to March 25, 2021 with the drawing for prizes on March 26, 2021.

Stewardship

By now, you have heard Father B and Father James talk about the Stewardship Renewal and should have received the brochure. Don't forget to check off Catholic Daughters on your Commitment Card, and turn it in before the end of February.

Thanks to all who have volunteered to serve on the committees. If you would like to help with a committee, please contact one of the officers. If I have omitted anyone's name, please let me know.

Spiritual Enhancement

Lisa Allen Janet Spellings
Mary Ann Stacey

Financial Review

Maria Chacon Carol Dufinetz
Sonja Jacobs Patti Lenz

Budget

Judy Goldthorp - Chair
Helen Bradley Yvonne Carstens
Barb Falcone Ellen Gallagher
Sonja Jacobs Judy Oliviero

Membership

Linda Chreno - chair

Standing Rules

Sonja Jacobs

Mass Cards

Dotty Vanicek- Chair
Helen Bradley Yvonne Carstens

Sunshine/Telephone

Linda Chreno-Chair
Helen Bradley Barb Falcone
Jayne Green Bernadette Norman
Dotty Vanicek

Charity

Minnie Capello Maria Chacon
Marian Sims Mary Ann Stacey

Newsletter / Scrapbook

Judy Goldthorp

Ways & Means (Fundraising)

Judy Goldthorp

Reflect

We are told as children not to be afraid of the dark. As we grow in age and wisdom, however, we understand that terrible things lurk in dark corners. May this prayer be a light to your path.

Pray

Dear God, My journey is beset with darkness and uncertainty. I ask that you be my light in this life, a remedy to my fear, and a shepherd when I am lost. Give my heart the peace that only you can provide. Amen.

Act

Who in your life is lost along the journey? Share this prayer with them to find wholeness and healing.

www.Franciscanmedia.org Pause + Pray

Meetings for Court # 2755

Our monthly meeting is on the 2nd Monday of the month. The Rosary starts at 6:30 pm, the meeting starts at 7 pm. Our next meeting is **Monday February 8**. Instructions for joining the Rosary and the meeting by Zoom will be in an email the weekend before the meeting.

Officers meet monthly on the Sunday that is a week before the meeting. Our next officers' meeting is **February 28**. Members are welcome to join this meeting. Email us at catholicdaughters@smcchurch.org if you are interested in participating in these meetings, so we can send you the Zoom link.

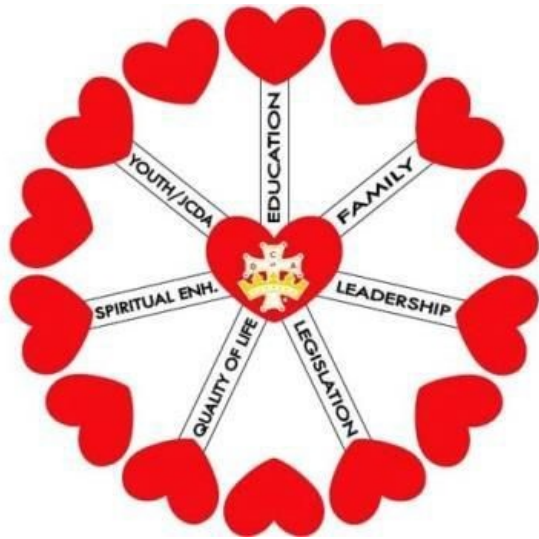
If you would like to add an item to the agenda, please email us at catholicdaughters@smcchurch.org by the last Friday of the month. Next deadline would be **February 26**.

Texas CDA Facebook Group

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/texasda> It

Prayer Requests

Linda Sorlie +
Mary Armstrong +
Oralee Cirlos +
Hope Tenorio +



Circle of Love

CDA activities and projects at the Local, State and National level are an extension of the vision, focus and creative commitment of the Circle of Love program. The seven points represent the needs of the Church and community best served by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas in the areas of: Education, Family, Leadership, Legislation, Quality of Life, Spiritual Enhancement, Youth/JCDA. This program binds Catholic Daughters of the Americas together in a common cause: members can support large scale projects at the national and state level and also initiate projects in their communities. This program provides Local Courts with structure and flexibility to creatively minister to their nearest neighbors most effectively.

Circle of Love: <https://texascda.org/circle-of-love>

National Projects: <https://catholicdaughters.org/national-projects-and-charities>

State Projects: <https://texascda.org/state-projects>

Each month, we will highlight a National Project and a Texas Project.

The Labouré Society (National Project)

The Labouré Society encourages vocations to religious communities. They have financially helped aspirants who wish to enter a religious community. Sixty-five percent of their clients have been women who are unable to enter religious formation programs because of a financial impediment. Donations from CDA will help to make their vocation become a reality. St. Catherine Labouré is the patroness of this society. <https://rescuevocations.org/>

Houston Coalition for Life (State Project)

The Houston Coalition for Life is a 501c(3) organization which represents dozens of Houston area churches and thousands of individuals dedicated to ending abortion in Houston.

Vision:

A community that loves, respects, and protects every human life from conception until natural death.

Mission:

Ending abortion in Houston... peacefully and prayerfully.

<https://www.houstoncoalition.com/>



Daughters of Mary Court Makes Rosaries

(Left to right: Dotty Vanicek, Patti Lenz, Patti Tapia, Judy Goldthorp, Father B, Linda Chreno)

First class in making rosaries. We will be having more classes, so be watching your email for notices about upcoming classes.