



Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Court Daughters of Mary #2755

Bedford TX

<https://www.smcchurch.org/cda>

November 2023



Next meetings

Monday November 13 — Bring donations for Knights of Columbus Thanksgiving Baskets (See page 4)

Future meeting dates: December 11 at Los Jimadores (3314 Harwood Rd. Bedford)

How will you be involved in Catholic Daughters?

- * Bring a friend to our next meeting. * Make a Rosary. * Join a committee. * Fundraising. * Sunshine. * Scholarship.
- * Financial Review. * Budget. * Mass Fund. * Spiritual. * Membership * Parliamentarian. * Newsletter.

Go to the end of the newsletter for a brief description of and contact info for each committee.

You can now invite friends and family who are not in CDA to join us on RaiseRight. Log in to RaiseRight app, select SETTINGS, then select INVITE FRIENDS & FAMILY. You can share the link by either email or text.

The November order for physical gift cards will be submitted on Friday November 17 . Online orders should be completed by 11/17/23 at noon. Contact Judy G for questions.

Our December order will be placed on December 8.



Court Daughters of Mary 5th Anniversary in July 2024

Our Court's 5th anniversary will be in July 2024, and we will be planning an observation of that anniversary. If you want a Charter Member pin, or a 5th Anniversary pin, they are available on the National CDA website for \$10. There was discussion about putting together one order for these pins. Members would purchase their own pins



Catholic Daughters Name Badges

If you would like to order a name badge, contact Linda Chreno. The cost is \$11.

Catholic Daughters shirts

Go to <http://shop.spreadthewordproducts.com/> or email cathy@spreadthewordproducts.com to order Catholic Daughters logo shirts, bags, mugs, and other items.

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MONTHLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER

10/20 — 1—4 pm — Rosary Kit Making

10/22 — K of C Pancake Breakfast https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4AA5A82FA2F85-10222023#

10/24 — 6:45 pm — K of C Exemplification ceremony — at K of C Hall on Brown Trail

10/28 — 10 am—noon — Clothing Giveaway

NOVEMBER

11/3 — 9 am to 5 pm — Adoration <https://www.smcchurch.org/eucharistic-adoration>

~~11/4 — 9:15 am to noon — Rosary Making~~ Cancelled for this month

11/4 — 9 am—12:30 pm Magnificat Prayer Breakfast <https://magnificat-ministry.net/chapters/tx-grapevine/>

11/7 — 12—1 pm — Picketing at Planned Parenthood

11/13 — 6:30 pm Rosary & CDA meeting

11/15 — Fundraising dinner at Texas Roadhouse — See flyer <https://fb.me/e/1DmuvJCto>

11/17 — 1 to 4 pm — Rosary Kit Making

11/20 — 6 pm — God's Own Children ministry Mass & Fellowship

11/26 — K of C Pancake Breakfast https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4AA5A82FA2F85-11262023#

DECEMBER

12/1 — Adoration <https://www.smcchurch.org/eucharistic-adoration>

12/2 — 9:15 am to noon — Rosary Making <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4AA5A82FA2F85-rosary19>

12/6 — Salvation Army Angel Tree Sort (see flyer)

12/10 — Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast with Santa https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4AA5A82FA2F85-12102023#

12/11 — 6:30 pm — Christmas party at Los Jimadores (3314 Harwood Rd, Bedford) — Bring unwrapped toys for Saint Michael Angel Tree

2024 — August 14—18 — National CDA Convention — New Orleans LA

2025 — April 23—27 — Texas CDA Convention — Dallas TX

Fundraising update —

Texas Roadhouse on Wednesday November 15 — Come to Texas Roadhouse on 11/15 between 3 pm and 10 pm. Show them the flyer (at the end of this newsletter and also posted at www.smcchurch.org/cda). Our Court will receive 10% of food purchases. Dine in or Take out.

Volunteer Opportunities

The Knights of Columbus have been picketing at the Bedford Planned Parenthood for many years. Since Catholic Daughters are sisters of the Knights they would appreciate it if you could join us for 1 hour per month. Invite your family or friends. We picket the first Tuesday of each month from 12 noon to 1:00 pm on the corner of Central Drive and Harwood Road in front of Twisted Root Restaurant. Parking is available in the Big Lots parking lot across the street. Our next gathering is **Wednesday, November 7, 12 noon-1:00 pm**. Thank you. Contact Barb Falcone for more information at 817 228 6115.

Join with the Knights of Columbus Council #7641 in their activities, which include monthly Pancake Breakfasts (see calendar), monthly picketing at Bedford Planned Parenthood, donating

Thanksgiving Baskets (see page 4), and Salvation Army Angel Tree Gift Sort (flyer at the end of this newsletter). The next Exemplification ceremony is 10/24 at 7 pm. Please wear your purple shirt. If you donate blood at Carter Blood Care, you can specify K of C #7641.



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God's Own Children Ministry (GOC)

God's Own Children Ministry (GOC) is planning a Parents Night Out on Friday, Dec 15th from 6:00 – 9:00pm. Our goal is to give a much needed break to caretakers who care for a family member with a special need or disability.

We are asking our fellow St. Michael's ministries to help us in this endeavor. I am hoping Catholic Daughters would find this to be a worthwhile event to help us with. The number of volunteers we have will directly affect the number of individuals we can have attend.

Here is the plan so far:

1) We have both sides of the activity center hall reserved. One side for the older attendees and one for the younger. Many people with a special need do not look or act their physical age. So this may change, but as of right now we are going with age.

2) The number of attendees will be a direct result of the number of volunteers we have. EVERY ATTENDEE will have a Buddy assigned to them who will stay with them the entire night. If we have 10 buddies we can have 10 attendees, 20 buddies then 20 attendees. I am working on getting the volunteers first so I know how many attendees we can accept.

3) The night will consist of dinner (probably pizza) and then popcorn and a movie (or an appropriate snack for the younger attendees).

Since I don't know who will be attending yet, or what the special need, disability or age will be, I am looking for volunteers who have a heart to help out in this area.

There will also be plenty of help needed to serve dinner and make and distribute the snacks.

While I am anticipating most of the attendees to be pretty well self-sufficient, I am also planning ahead to have qualified volunteers who can handle diaper changing, help with feeding, etc. I fully understand not every volunteer will be able or willing to help in this area and therefore I am working with Alyssa Roper about obtaining paid individuals.

Every new member's family who has inquired about GOC has mentioned the need for a night of respite. I am hoping this event will be well received and attended and will lead to further such events. Any help the Catholic Daughter's ministry can give us will be greatly appreciated.

All volunteers need to be Safe Environment trained. Please contact Sandy Steves at s.steves@tx.rr.com or 972-741-9720 by November 11 to volunteer.

Thank you!

Sandy Steves



Court Daughters of Mary Christmas dinner and party

Monday 12/11 at 6:30 pm

Los Jimadores (3314 Harwood Rd., Bedford 76021 — in shopping center at southwest corner of Harwood Rd and Hwy 121 — 0.7 miles west of St. Michael)

Please bring unwrapped toys for the Giving Tree at St. Michael.

Rosary will begin at 6:40 pm, followed by a brief meeting and dinner.



Knights of Columbus Thanksgiving baskets

We need your help again this year for the Thanksgiving baskets. We are once again hoping to feed 50 needy families this year. All donations (food or cash) **MUST** be handed in no later than **Friday, November 17th** to the K of C Hall back room. The non-perishable items needed per family are as follows:

Coffee (1 small can)	Cookies (2 small packages)	Corn (3 cans)	Yams (2 cans)
Cranberry sauce (2 cans)	Green beans (3 cans)	Mixed Fruit (2 cans)	
Turkey Gravy (2 small or 1 large jar)	Tea bags (small box)	Stuffing mix (2 boxes)	

You do not have to donate all the items for one basket. Whatever you can contribute will be appreciated!

If you have a coupon for a free or discounted turkey, or want to make a cash donation (make out the check to **K of C Council #7641**), contact Ted Giles at tgiles7641@outlook.com 817 319 0418. You can also contact Barb Falcone or Linda Chreno.



I Can Still Shine 2023 Calendar www.icanstillshine.org

Most events are 10 am to 1 pm, except November starts at 12

11/18/23 Peace Lutheran Church **12 pm** 960 Bedford Euless Rd Hurst

12/9/23 Wellspring Church 10 am 7300 Smithfield Rd NRH

We are getting ready for our Thanksgiving and Christmas events. We still need 5 hams or and a few side dishes and desserts. If you can help, please email Brenda Jackson at: icanstillshine7@gmail.com.

You are Cordially Invited to Magnificat Prayer Breakfast

Hosted by "Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament" Grapevine TX Chapter

November 4, 2023 – 9:00 am – 12:30 pm

Guest Speaker: Gabriela Wakely

Location: St. Michael Catholic Church

3713 E. Harwood Rd Bedford, TX 76021

For Questions Call: 214-868-5559

Doors open at 8:30 AM, No Reserved Seating, Please Arrive Early.



For information about reservations, go to: <https://magnificat-ministry.net/chapters/tx-grapevine/>

You must pay in advance. No reservations are sold at the door.

Feast Day

Thanks to all who volunteered. We don't have photos of all of you, but here are a few photos.



Spirituality

Mass of Light

Mon 11/6 at 7 pm (English)

Thurs 11/9 at 7 pm (Spanish)

This is to remember any deceased friends or relatives (not just ones who have died in the last year). We ask that you sign up, either online at <https://www.smcchurch.org/mass-of-light> or after Masses on Oct 21 & 22 and Oct 28 & 29. If you can volunteer to help at Mass, please contact Barb Falcone at falcone70@sbcglobal.net or 817 228 6115.

The Catholic Daughters will begin a series of spiritually focused meetings in the near future. The meetings will be held once a month -- date, time, and location will be determined. Some possible subjects: A Guide to Catholic Prayer; Rediscover Catholicism; Rediscover Jesus; Why I Love Being Catholic or some other topic. If you are interested in participating - please let Linda Chreno know at lindachreno@gmail.com or 510.316.5416

Rosary before all Masses — The Rosary will be prayed before all Masses. Please contact Lisa Allen if you would like to lead a Rosary before Mass.

St. Dominic Savio

"I am not capable of doing big things, but I want to do everything, even the smallest things, for the greater glory of God."

This quote truly comes into perspective with the knowledge that St. Dominic Savio died when he was only 15 years old. Although he was young, he displayed a pure heart for God during his brief lifetime. He serves as an inspiration to Catholics everywhere that even the smallest positive action can bring glory to God.

Whatever you do, whatever your skills, and whatever your age – you can live your life for the glory of God. Let this inspire you to take action today. Even the smallest act for God can make huge changes in someone's life.

Say a Rosary for Israel



ROSARY MINISTRY

Make a Rosary

Our next Rosary Making meeting will be Saturday 11/4 at 9:15 am. Please sign up here to let us know how many to expect: Future dates: 12/2, 1/6, 2/3, 3/2

Help make Rosary Kits on the 3rd Friday of each month 1 pm to 4 pm Next meeting 11/17.

Feel free to invite friends who are not members of Catholic Daughters. All are welcome! We have made 2000+ rosaries in 2023. Questions? Contact Chris Delmolino at chrisdelmolino@gmail.com or 817 925 4542

New life for broken Rosaries

Do you have a broken Rosary? Our Rosary makers will accept your donation of broken Rosaries and reuse the components to make new Rosaries. Contact Chris Delmolino at chrisdelmolino@gmail.com or 817 925 4542 or bring them to the next CDA meeting or Rosary meeting or put them in the box on the round table in the Narthex. Thanks to Jonie & Lloyd Bohnstengel and Linda Chreno for making this box.



Rosary Report

On September 23 & 24, we gave away 210 mission rosaries and received \$243.66 in Donations.

Thanks to all who helped and especially Barb and Ellen who set up and Rosa, Michelle, and Barb who packed up. We gave away:

60 at Miles Smith funeral, 400 to Father Joseph (Eastland), 500 to Father Bhaskar (India), 100 to Robin Harris (St Michael Family event), 150 to Janet Spellings (Pro Life October table).

Court Daughters of Mary news

Thanks to all who brought toiletry items for NEED in October.



Clothing Connection Clothing Giveaway

Saturday 10/28 10 am to noon

Clothing Connection welcomes your help on Friday 10/27 to set up clothing and other items for the Giveaway, and on Saturday 10/28 to help with the Giveaway.

If you can help, please contact Marilyn Sinnes msinnes@tx.rr.com or

Gina Morgan gmmevatec@verizon.net or

Maria Chacon trekmom1960@yahoo.com.

Thrift for Good

120 W Bedford Euless Rd, Hurst, TX 76053

<https://thrift4good.com/>

Clothing, small furniture, and home decor can be donated to the Thrift for Good resale store on Bedford-Euless Road with a percentage of sold items benefitting CDA. All you have to do when you drop off your donations is to state that this is for the CDA Court of Mary #2755. A shout out to Helen Bradley for setting this up for us.

September K of C Pancake Breakfast September 24, 2023



Knights of Columbus Exemplification ceremony
on September 27



Fundraising with RaiseRight

Thanks to all who have ordered gift cards from RaiseRight. <https://www.raiseright.com> Since Jan 1, 2023, we have raised more than \$900. Contact Judy Goldthorp at 817 239 7551 or judygold47@gmail.com, to get the Enrollment Code to set up your account.



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Committees for our Court

Below is a list of our Committees. None require a big commitment of time.

Fundraising: Come up with ideas to raise funds to benefit our Court. [Judy Goldthorp & Linda Chreno](#)

Sunshine: Send out cards for various occasions to our members. [Linda Sorenson](#)

Scholarship: Review scholarship applications in the spring, and select a recipient. [Maria Chacon](#)

Financial Review: Meet 2 x year (April & October) to review Court's records [Mary Kajs](#)

Budget: Meet once a year to set up Budget for following year. [Linda Velek](#)

Charity: Review options for charity donations and make recommendations to the Court. [Maria Chacon](#)

Mass Fund: Help Dotty with providing cards and collecting donations for cards. [Dotty Vanicek](#)

Rosary making: Meet monthly to teach rosary making. Make rosaries to be donated. [Chris Delmolino](#) 817-925-4542

Spiritual: Help with Rosary before monthly meetings. [Lisa Allen](#)

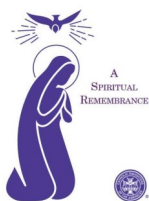
Membership: Encourage new membership in our Court. [Linda Chreno](#)

Parliamentarian: Gives advice on parliamentary procedure, i.e. Robert's Rules of Order. [Patti Lenz](#)

Newsletter: Provide ideas for monthly newsletter. [Judy Goldthorp](#)

Contact one of the people listed for the committee you are interested in.

Mass Cards



Contact Dotty Vanicek (817 805 1018 or dottyvanicek@gmail.com) to donate \$3 for a Mass Enrollment, which provides the enrollee being remembered during the celebration of the Holy Mass each First Friday for one year. The Masses will be celebrated in Houston by the current Associate State Chaplain, Father Victor Perez. The monies generated from this project are dispersed in scholarships from Texas CDA to graduating high school seniors.

Faith-based books

Have some faith-based books that you are finished reading? Want to send them to a new home? Bring them to the next CDA meeting. Look through the books we have and take one home.

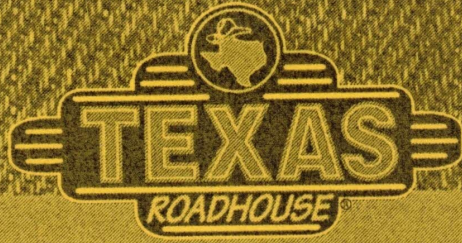
Safe Environment

Reminder that all volunteers, even those participating in ministries/activities that do not directly involve children, must complete the Diocesan Safe Environment requirements and renew their certifications periodically.

<https://fwdioc.org/safe-environment> You can register online at <https://fwdioc.org/training-sessions>.

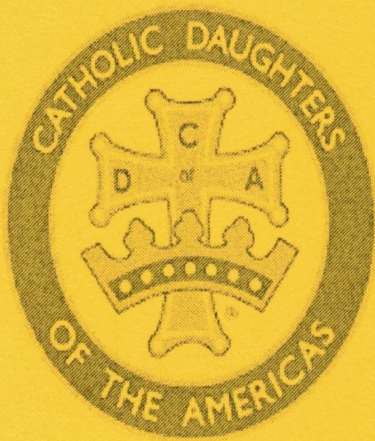


Contact Kathy Miller at se@smcchurch.org or Elizabeth Chanoine echanoine@smcchurch.org if you have any questions about Safe Environment training.



Valid at: 3000 Crystal Springs Bedford, TX 76054

DINE TO DONATE



**Show Your Support
for Catholic
Daughters of
America on
Wednesday
November 15th.
3pm to 10pm
Dine In & To Go**

**10% DONATION
NIGHT**

Support the Church by presenting this flyer to the Bedford location and Texas Roadhouse will donate 10% of your total food purchases to the Catholics daughters of Americas!

Supporting St. Michael's Church



Council 7641

**25th Year of
Participation**

**Sign up to Help at
the next meeting
or contact William
Schmidlkofer**

wj_schmid@hotmail.com

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SORTING ANGEL TREE GIFTS FOR THOSE IN NEED

You can proceed directly to the warehouse or meet at the KC Hall, leaving in separate vehicles or carpool with others at 8:30 AM. (Warehouse located at the NW corner of Felix and Vermont St. just West of I-35W).

Wives and children are invited. The Salvation Army asks that all volunteers be at least 16 years old and recommend you wear comfortable clothes and closed toe shoes.



**SALVATION ARMY
WAREHOUSE**

229E Felix St.

Fort Worth, TX 76115

817-344-1800

December 6, 2023

9 am to 12 noon