



Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Court Daughters of Mary #2755

Bedford TX

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

February 2024



Next meetings

Monday February 12 — Rosary at 6:30 pm. Meeting at 7 pm

Future meeting dates: 3/11, 4/8, 5/13, 6/10

2024 Court Daughters of Mary News

2024 Dues (\$35) should be paid now. You can put the check in the CDA box in the office or bring to the February 12 meeting. Contact Financial Secretary Ellen Gallagher (contact info below) for any questions.

We will be having elections in May for new officers. (See page 3 for description of officers' duties). A nominating committee will be elected in March and will present a slate of potential officers at the April meeting. Please consider how you could help your Court.

Fifth Anniversary for our Court — We will be celebrating our 5th anniversary in July 2024. A committee of Marian Sims, Patti Tapia, Patti Lenz, Martina Rodriguez, and Yvonne Carstens volunteered for the planning of our anniversary.

Welcome to our new members: Leti Ruelas, Bette Price, Kathleen Disabella, and Adaobi Nnabuife. We are glad you are members of our Court!

Potential Donation

The Court has decided to assist with support of a 17 year old who is on his own. Christian Connection will provide a list of needs prior to the February meeting.

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.

Court Officers

Regent: Mary Kajs

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Recording Secretary: Tina Millwood

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MONTHLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

1/28 — Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast after 7:30 am & 9 am Masses
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4AA5A82FA2F85-43870571-1282024#/>

FEBRUARY

2/2 — 24 Hour Adoration <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D4CA4A62DA5FD0-47039488-february/21797405#/>
 2/3 — 9:15 am—noon — Rosary Making <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4AA5A82FA2F85-rosary21>
 2/6 — 12—1 pm — Picketing at Bedford Planned Parenthood
 2/11 — Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast after 7:30 am & 9 am Masses
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4AA5A82FA2F85-43870570-2112024#/>
 2/12 — 6:30 pm Rosary & CDA meeting
 2/14 — Ash Wednesday
 2/16 — 5-8 pm — Knights of Columbus Fish Fry — 1319 Brown Trail, Bedford, TX 76022
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4AA5A82FA2F85-47141769-baked#/>
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4AA5A82FA2F85-47142213-knights#/>
 2/16 — 5:45-6:50 pm — Soup Supper, followed by Stations of the Cross at 7 pm
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4AA5A82FA2F85-47142182-soup#/>
 2/23 — 5-8 pm — Knights of Columbus Fish Fry — 1319 Brown Trail, Bedford, TX 76022
 2/23 — 5:45-6:50 pm — Soup Supper, followed by Stations of the Cross at 7 pm
 2/23 — 7 pm — Stations of the Cross, led by our Court. Contact Lisa Allen if you can help.

MARCH

3/1 — Adoration <https://www.smcchurch.org/eucharistic-adoration>
 3/1 — 5-8 pm — Knights of Columbus Fish Fry — 1319 Brown Trail, Bedford, TX 76022
 3/1 — 5:45--6:50 pm — Soup Supper, followed by Stations of the Cross at 7 pm
 3/2 — 9:15 am—noon — Rosary Making <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4AA5A82FA2F85-rosary22>
 3/5 — 12—1 pm — Picketing at Bedford Planned Parenthood
 3/8 — 5-8 pm — Knights of Columbus Fish Fry — 1319 Brown Trail, Bedford, TX 76022
 3/8 — 5:45-6:50 pm — Soup Supper, followed by Stations of the Cross at 7 pm
 3/11 — 6:30 pm Rosary & CDA meeting
 3/15 — 5-8 pm — Knights of Columbus Fish Fry — 1319 Brown Trail, Bedford, TX 76022
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JULY 2024

Court Daughters of Mary 5th Anniversary —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. We are looking into ordering our own Court pins (similar to photo). More information at the February meeting.

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

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



In May 2024, we will be electing new officers: Regent, Vice Regent, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary, and Treasurer.

Here is a description of each officer's duties. You can read in more detail at:

<https://files.ecatholic.com/24341/documents/2023/6/Section%2005%20Local%20Courts%20In%20progress%20for%20coloring-1.pdf?t=1688046209000>

Each officer serves for a 2 year term — June 2024 through May 2026

Regent:

Prepares agenda & presides at all meetings
Ensures Financial Reviews are completed on time every 6 months
Interacts with District Deputy/State Representative and State Officers
Appoints & trains Committee Chairmen
Serves as ex-officio member of all committees, except Nominating Committee.
Countersigns all Local Court checks written and signed by Treasurer
Signs all correspondence of the Local Court
Has final authority to terminate membership
Performs other duties as the laws of THE ORDER require.

Vice Regent:

Assists Regent when requested
Performs other duties as designated by the Regent

Recording Secretary:

Keeps accurate proceedings of all meetings
Reads all bills at the meeting
Conducts correspondence of the Local Court, except as specified under duties of Financial Secretary
Performs other duties as designated by the Regent.

Financial Secretary:

Receives all monies for the court & issue receipts.
Posts receipts in cash book
Transmits and counts money with Treasurer.
Keeps an account of all dues paid and list of members. Reconciles Court Membership Records with National CDA Records
Orders supplies

Treasurer:

Receives all monies from Financial Secretary
Pays all bills with approval of Court
Countersigns checks with Regent
Presents Treasurer's Report each month
Makes bank deposits immediately.
Balances check book monthly.

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

Volunteer Opportunities

The Knights of Columbus have been picketing at the Bedford Planned Parenthood for many years. Since Catholic Daughters are sisters, 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 **Tuesday, February 6, 12 noon-1:00 pm**. Thank you. Contact Barb Falcone for more information at 817 228 6115.



**Knights of
Columbus®**

Join with the Knights of Columbus Council #7641 in their activities, which include monthly Pancake Breakfasts (see calendar), monthly picketing at Bedford Planned Parenthood, and Lenten Fish Frys (see calendar) and more. If you donate blood at Carter Blood Care, you can specify Knights of Columbus Council #7641.



Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

The Knights of Columbus will have their weekly Friday Fish Fry, from February 16 through March 22. Our Court will be offering desserts for purchase, as a fundraising opportunity. We need people to make desserts and then sell desserts at the Fish Fry. The Sign up Genius link can be found on page 2, in the calendar. Last year we made over \$900 with our sales of desserts. We found that homemade items were more popular, as were cakes and pies. Cookies were not as popular.

Soup Suppers

Friday Soup Suppers, followed by Stations of the Cross, will take place every Friday from February 16 through March 22. Our Court is partnering with the Garden Ministry to provide soups, salad, and dessert on February 16. There is a Sign up Genius link in the calendar on page 2.



State Memorial Scholarship



The money raised from the sale of Mass cards through Texas Catholic Daughters allows Texas CDA to award State Memorial Scholarships, which are available to graduating seniors who are related to a Texas CDA member. Go to <https://texascda.org/forms-library> and click on 2024 Scholarship Application

Scholarship & Charity

Charity Committee will start working on selection of charities. There are 10 organizations that are being reviewed. The committee will report their recommendations at the February meeting. The Scholarship Committee will start working in February.

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.

Rosary Report

Vicki Pals will be in charge of rosary inventory, both receiving and distributing all mission rosaries. If you have rosaries to turn in or would like some, let Vicki or Chris know. If you need supplies, let Patti Lenz know.

The committee would like to extend an invitation to have you join our committee. You could help manage supplies, organize a giveaway, or lead a rosary making or kit making session.

Donations received: \$65 for rosary making supplies

Rosary donations: Father VJ & Father Jesuraj for sick visits (23), God's Own Children Ministry (10), and Las Guadalupeñas (100) during the Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 12th.

Rosaries on hand: 1237

Make a Rosary

Our next Rosary Making meeting will be Saturday 2/3 at 9:15 am. Please use the Sign up Genius in the calendar on page 2 to let us know how many to expect. Future dates: 3/2, 4/6, 5/4, 6/1

Help make Rosary Kits on the 3rd Friday of each month 1 pm to 4 pm Next meeting 1/19/24

Feel free to invite friends who are not members of Catholic Daughters. All are welcome! We made 3800+ rosaries in 2023. Questions? Contact Chris Delmolino at chrisdelmolino@gmail.com or 817 925 4542

Fundraising report

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 February order for physical gift cards will be submitted on Friday February 2/16/24 . Online orders should be completed by 2/16/24 at noon. Contact Judy G for questions.

2023 Fundraising Totals

Raise Right: \$1388.89

Restaurant dinners: \$1055.82

2023 Fish Fry desserts: \$910

Total: \$3354.71

Thanks to all who participated in our fundraising efforts! Let us know if you have a suggestion for a restaurant fundraiser in 2024.

Spiritual

Senor Santo Nino Festival on Saturday January 20.

5:45 pm — Procession to Sanctuary

6 pm — Mass, concelebrated with Fr. Ron Mercado

7:30 pm — Reception in Pallotti Hall with Filipino Cultural Performances

More information in the bulletin. <https://container.parishesonline.com/bulletins/05/1101/20240114B.pdf>

Stations of the Cross

Our Court will be leading Stations of the Cross on Friday 2/23. Please contact Lisa Allen llallen2006@prodigy.net if you are available to help with this.

Thanks to everyone who came to the December 11th dinner meeting at Los Jimadores and brought toys for the Saint Michael Giving Tree.



December 11, 2023



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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 \$1388. Contact Judy Goldthorp at 817 239 7551 or judygold47@gmail.com, to get the Enrollment Code to set up your account.



RaiseRight
 by ShopWithScrip

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](#)

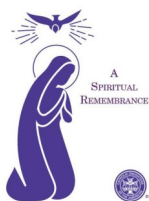
Membership: Encourage new membership in our Court. [Linda Chreno](#)

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 that interests you..

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 or Knights of Columbus pancake breakfast. 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.