



Court Our Lady of LaSalette #1255
Our Lady of Prompt Succor Church, Sulphur, LA
April, 2017



Our Mission Statement: CDA strives to embrace the principle of faith working through love in promotion of justice, equality, and the advancement of human rights and human dignity for all.



From the Regent
Dearest Catholic Daughters,

The Lenten Fish Fry is going extremely well. Bless all of you who have worked on Friday nights. Again, this is not easy; but this is our biggest fund raiser, so we are very appreciative for all the help.

Debbie Bordelon and her aunt, Rachael LaBorde provided dinner for us at our March meeting. Wow, the lasagna was delicious, the rolls were scrumptious, and the salad was superb. Actually, the salad was the best I have ever had! Thank you kindly, ladies.

The Catholic Daughter Convention is at the end of April. We have 16 total members from our Court who will attend the convention in Baton Rouge. Please keep Connie Dronette in your prayers. She has aspired to the office of State Regent for several years, moving up the ranks. Her time is here and with our prayers and good wishes, she will be elected State Regent. She walks between Grace Savoy and Ruth Guidry, both of whom were past State Regents. Great company, indeed!

Our audit is April 3rd. Several of you have not sent your dues in. Please check to make sure you have paid. You are needed and we do not want to lose you!

Easter is very close. The day that Jesus rose from the dead and forever sealing forgiveness on our behalf is our faith's most important feast. May your family be blessed this Easter and may you find comfort in our Risen Savior. Happy, sacred Easter!

Yours in Christ,
Linda Portie
Regent



National News

Our Worthy National Regent, Helene Shepard, recently wrote in the National Quarterly that, "By our care and concern we Catholic Daughters show for others, for our Parish, our Diocese, and our Community, we become Easter people. We are the Easter people who believe that the cross transformed all suffering and pain, and the Resurrection secured the promise of eternal life. It is the paschal mystery, this Easter faith that we are called to live each day."

State News

State Convention is in Baton Rouge, April 27th – April 30th. Members from our Court who will attend are: Connie Dronette, Ruth Guidry, Linda Touchet, Becky Doty, Hope Simon, Ros Ellender, Mary Hardy, Marilyn Broussard, Vera Hollier, Adrienne Saucier, Mary Ellen Burton, Anita Perez, Rachael Brown, Kim LaBove, Gaylin Habetz, and Linda Portie. Please keep them in your prayers as they travel to Baton Rouge to further their Catholic Daughter education and share their faith with hundreds more CDA members.



Our March presenter, Melinda Hicks is pictured above. Thank you, Melinda for such a great presentation!



Gerri Guidry and Christy Cormier are pictured above. Court #1255 now has 109 members! Welcome to our Court, ladies! We are delighted! BOGO is working!

Court Officers:

Regent – Linda Portie	625-6900
Vice Regent – Hope Simon	304-6451
Secretary – Ros Ellender	309-6429
Financial Secretary – Becky Doty	224-4366
Treasurer – Linda Touchet	527-7939
Chaplain – Rev. Dr. Edward Richard, MS	527-6251
District Deputy – Melina Dally	884-1020

Important Upcoming Dates

April 6, 2017

5:40 p.m. Rosary in St. Michael Room
 6:00 p.m. Meeting & Dinner by Melinda Hicks & Kim LaBove.
 Thank and Bless you both!

April 3, 2017

4:30 p.m. Audit in Fellowship Hall

Polly Bland will lead our Rosary at 5:40 before the meeting.

Connie Dronette will lead us in the Divine Mercy Chaplet for our closing prayer.

Lenten Fish Fry Schedule:

April 7th: Ruth Guidry, Ros Ellender, Hope Simon, Marie Gibbons, Missy Moss, Linda Portie

Audit Committee for April 3, 2017:

Phoebe Pruett, Lana Cooley, Mary Hardy, Christy Ramirez, and Vera Hollier
 (We will meet at 4:30 in the Fellowship Hall)

***Special thanks goes to Dianne Desselle, a member who consistently works behind the scenes securing enrollment cards for our deceased members and their immediate families. Plus she keeps the Regent informed. You are appreciated, Dianne!**

April

Pray this month

Lord God,
 We see signs of new life all around us
 as the days continue to grow longer.
 Thank you for the buds and the blossom;
 the grass and the warmth of the sunshine.
 May we remember that you have created us and love us,
 and even if it doesn't feel like spring sometimes - outside
 or in our hearts -
 we can find newness of life through your presence.
 Please help us to notice the beauty around us:
 a child's smile, a work of art, an insect, a friend's embrace.
 May we also share beauty and life with those whom we meet.
 Help us to glorify you as we promote peace, love and grace.
 May we speak truth in love
 and forgive those who wrong us, by your strength.
 We love you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit!

Amy Boucher Pye



Prayers Needed

Trey Ange and Josh Page, our Seminarians remain in our prayers. Deacon Trey Ange will be ordained in June to the Priesthood. Ollie Smith is in need of our prayers. We miss seeing you Ollie! Joy and Bo Abshire were in a wreck recently. Please keep them in your prayers. Joanie Ashe needs our prayers and support. Hope to see you soon, Joanie. Please keep Ruth Guidry's niece, Veronica in your prayers. Geri Guidry, one of our newest members has surgery recently. She is well, but prayers are still needed. Kay Dimmit is in remission; but she still gets monthly treatments. Please continue to keep her in your thoughts and prayers. Keep Christy Cormier's son, who is in the military in your prayers. Mary Hardy's mother needs our prayers and good wishes. Your daily prayers and good wishes are appreciated for all our homebound members. Know that you are not forgotten and you are loved.



April

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SHOWERS, FLOWERS, SPRINGTIME, GREEN, GRASS,
 EASTER, RISEN, BUNNY, FESTIVAL, FUN, LAMB,
 BABY, CHICK, BASKETS, BONNET, RESURRECTION

March Birthday Picture:



Vivacious Vera
 Hollier
 was our only
 Birthday person
 in attendance.
 Happy Birthday!

April Birthdays



Lisa Reed 4/6
 Betty Ramoin 4/14
 Angela Broussard 4/19

Linda Touchet 4/8
 Angie Wingate 4/19
 Ollie Smith 4/21

CDA Chuckle:

In a Catholic school cafeteria, a nun places a note in front of a basket of apples, "Only take one. God is watching." Further down the line is a pile of cookies. One little girl makes her own note, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples."

News for Future Newsletters

Please submit news that you would like to share in the CDA newsletter. You can email the editor at: linda.portie@gmail.com or call: 625-6900. Deadline will be the 20th of each month.

CDA Challenge for March: I have heard that Adam and Eve were myths and most of Genesis was legend. Is that true?

Answer to March's Challenge: Actually, there is no truth to that, whatsoever. Catholics interpret the Bible in a "literal" sense, while many fundamentalists, Evangelicals, and others interpret the Bible in a literalist sense. The "literal" meaning of a passage of Scripture is the meaning that the author of that passage of Scripture intended to convey. The "literalist" interpretation of a passage of Scripture is: "that's what it says, that's what it means."

Let me give you an example to illustrate the difference. If you were to read a passage in a book that said it was "raining cats and dogs outside", how would you interpret that? As Americans, in the 21st Century, you would know that the author was intending to convey the idea that it was raining pretty doggone hard outside. That would be the "literal" interpretation...the interpretation the author intended to convey. On the other hand, what if you made a "literalist" interpretation of the phrase, "it's raining cats and dogs"? The "literalist" interpretation would be that, were you to walk outside, you would actually see cats and dogs falling from the sky like rain. No taking into account the popularly accepted meaning of this phrase. No taking into account the author's intentions. The words say it was raining cats and dogs, so, by golly, it was raining cats and dogs! That is the literalist, or fundamentalist, way of interpretation. If someone 2000 years in the future picked up that same book and read, "It was raining cats and dogs outside," in order to properly understand that passage in the book, they would need a "literal" interpretation, not a "literalist" interpretation. Now, think about that in the context of interpreting the Bible 2000-3000 years after it was written.