

August, 2017

Catholic Daughters of the Americas

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Chaplain's Message for August

I am grateful to the St. Martin de Porres Chapter of the Catholic Daughters for all you have accomplished in your first year. You have truly been a blessing to our parish family! I encourage you to mark your calendars for August 30th at 6pm when the Encountering Jesus sessions will begin. Encountering Jesus is meant to be a special opportunity to grow in one's relationship with Christ whether one is very involved in one's faith or looking to become more involved. I especially encourage you to mark your calendar for October 16th-19th when Dr. Bob Schuchts will be coming to St. Martin de Porres for a Healing the Whole Person Event in the evening from 6:30pm to 9:30pm. Please feel free to invite family or friends to these events, especially those who might not be active in a faith but are searching for that encounter with Christ. You can go to www.stmartindp.org/hwp to register for free for the Healing the Whole Person Event.

Fr. Charlie, CDA Chaplain



Regent's Message for August

My dearest CDA sisters,

As summer ends, we start to look ahead towards a new season. Often this comes with hopes, plans and fresh starts. This normally involves me proclaiming that it is time for me to get serious about my diet. Lately thought, I have heard a whisper: so much time thinking about improving your earthly body and not enough time thinking about improving your soul. My guardian angel isn't very subtle, huh? Well, if you've been getting nudged for a spiritual reboot or looking to go deeper in your faith, our parish will hold a transformative series: Encountering Jesus. The sole focus of this series is a loving encounter with Jesus and "encountering Him in the Church, His Body on earth". I encourage you to join me in this parish-wide event and additionally ask you to extend a loving invitation to your neighbors, friends, and family. Let us commit ourselves to the mission of making disciples through Encountering Jesus. Find out more at the orientation on August 30th at 6pm in the church. (Cont'd on pg 2)



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"We must always have the courage and the joy of proposing, with respect, an encounter with Christ, and being heralds of His Gospel. Jesus came amongst us to show us the way of salvation and He entrusted to us the mission to make it known to all to the ends of the earth." ~Pope Frances

Peace,
Kat Berbel
Regent, Ct. St. Martin de Porres #2719
+JMJ+

District Deputy's Message for August

Congratulations on your first year anniversary of St. Martin de Porres Catholic Daughters!

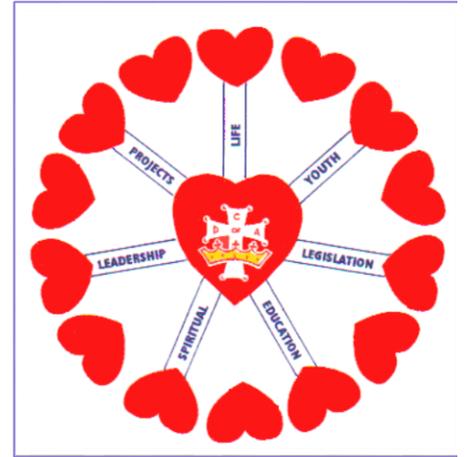
I can remember the joy of hosting and witnessing your court's installation celebration. I remember it like it was yesterday. Every new member walked into the reception hall wearing their white dresses. I watched a group of Catholic women who represented goodness, beauty and love. All of you were very impressive.

As District Deputy I have had the opportunity to install new officers. Each time that I've called upon the elected recording secretary to come forward and pledge her allegiance to the Catholic Daughters of the Americas I've gotten choked up and very emotional.

The pledge reads, "You will be writing an important document in your Court-its history-the story of its life, activities, and accomplishments. Years from now your records will be the document the court will use to review its history."

Congratulations to both charter members and new members, job well done! You have done a beautiful job and have been a wonderful example of serving an awesome and amazing God.

Blessings,
Laura Pena
District Deputy #7



The image above is symbolic of our CIRCLE OF LOVE program. By definition, a circle is a curved line with every point equal distance from the point of the center and bound together by the common interest. The seven point program of the CIRCLE OF LOVE is bound together by the common interest- LOVE.

Our Circle of Love Committee

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Circle of Love News Items

Quality of Life: Youth: Our Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Installation will be on August 19 at the 5pm Saturday Eve. Mass. Wear your white dress and white shoes. Here is a link for the protocol of dress: <http://www.texascdca.org/whiteDresses.php>

Please plan to attend this one time installation of our new Junior Catholic Daughters Court and show your support and best wishes for these young ladies.

Spiritual Enhancement: Adoration Hour – Thursdays from 9-10pm.



Chery would like to extend her Thank You to those who have volunteered for our **Altar Linens Group**: Pat Bell, Gwen Churchill, Sherry Harrington, Benita Hernandez, Vernell "Ann" Little, Virginia Rodriguez, and Michele Van Nostrand. Also, Jackie Givens and Chery Lutz as acting substitutes.

The Catholic Women's Conference, Healing the Body of Christ, will be on Sept. 23 at Santa Cruz Church in Buda. For more information or to register follow this link: <http://www.austindiocese.org/womens-conference>

Family:

We will be keeping you up to date on the Catholic Daughter's role in celebrating the final month of our Parish wide Spiritual Adoption program. After each of the masses on the Weekend of Sept 30 and Oct 1 we will be providing support for the Pro-Life and Chaste Living Ministry to finish out the 9 months of prayer for these pre-born babies.

Education: Parish Trip to the Painted Churches: October 28.

Very few seats are left and we are starting a waiting list.

We will meet at SMDP church parking lot and leave at 8:00am, traveling by bus. The cost is \$43 per person. There will be an additional cost for lunch arrangements at a local restaurant on the tour.

Contact Cindy at falbo5@verizon.net for more information, or to secure a reservation.

This also has a component of raising money for scholarships, so an optional additional donation is appreciated.



Membership and Dues:

Our First Year Anniversary is on August 14. Dues will be collected during this month. Dues are \$30 collected annually. You can bring dues to the August meeting or mail them to the Church Office at P.O. Box 1062, Dripping Springs, Texas 78620. Attn: CDA, Jackie Given



Upcoming Dates

Thursdays 6:30-8:30

Through August 31 you are welcome to join others in the Parish Hall for SoulCore – Rosary & Exercise for Mind Body and Soul. Every Thursday but the 3rd Thursday of the month.

Wednesdays 10-11:30am (Ed Center) or 7-8:30pm (Hall)

Be Healed Book Study and Talks:

Every Wednesday- Aug 16-Aug 23. See the Bulletin online for more information. Everyone is welcome for one or for many sessions.

August 14

Our First Year Anniversary of St. Martin de Porres Catholic Daughters

August 15

Holy Day of Obligation: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – See the Bulletin online for times of the masses.

August 15

CDA Meeting 6:30pm Parish Hall

August 18

Rosary, Chapel 11:30am-100th Anniversary of 4th Visitation at Fatima

August 19

JCDA Installation Mass, 5pm. CDA

August 26

Knights of Columbus Hill Country Shoot Out

Aug 30 – Oct 11.

Encountering Jesus: Wednesdays 6-7:15pm in the Church.

Sept 23

Austin Diocese Women's Conference- Santa Cruz Church, Buda

Oct 16 – Oct 19.

Healing the Whole Person Event 6:30-9:30pm.



Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

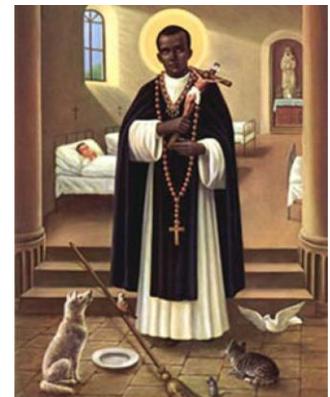
The Church dedicates the month of August to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. It is a dogma of the Catholic faith that Mary is the Immaculate Conception; that is, in preparation for the Incarnation of the Second Person of the Holy Trinity in her womb, she was conceived without the corruption of sin through the infinite merits of her Son, Jesus Christ. Over the centuries, as saints and theologians reflected on how Mary pondered and treasured the sacred events from the life of Christ in her holy heart, as attested in Scripture, her pure heart was recognized as something to be imitated. Devotion to Our Lady's purity of heart began to flower, so much so that in the 17th century St. John Eudes promoted it alongside the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The devotion rose to a new level after the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima, when Mary revealed an image of her Immaculate Heart to Lucia, Jacinta, and Francisco (From "Your Morning Offering", The Catholic Company) More info @ <https://www.catholiccompany.com/getfed/devotion-immaculate-heart-mary/>



Knightly News

We are partnering with the Knights to bring in sponsorship monies for their annual Hill Country Shootout. If anyone you know, work for, or do business with comes to mind as a sponsor please contact Allison Rice (512) 565-1298, cparice@hotmail.com

Funds will support the Center for the Intrepid Soldiers at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio, Burke Center, Boy Scouts Troop 280, SMdP College Scholarships, Special Olympics and other community projects



St. Martin de Porres, Pray for Us

REMEMBER TO READ THE MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES FROM MARY GOMEZ, OUR RECORDING SECRETARY. THE MINUTES ARE APPROVED EACH MONTH BY VOTE AND MAY CONTAIN OTHER INFORMATION THAT IS NOT COVERED IN THIS NEWSLETTER.

Calling all Cookies

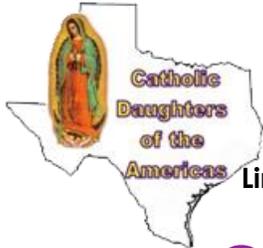
The Catholic Daughters have been asked by the Knights of Columbus to donate cookies and brownies luncheon held after the shooting is done at the Hill Country Shoot Out on August 26, 2017.

We will need enough cookies and brownies to feed about 200 for dessert. Here is the link for the sign-up:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0449aba72aa1f58-knights>



CDA State News



(Myra Alilain, Vice Regent)

Our Lady of Guadalupe is the Patroness of Catholic Daughters of Texas

Link: <http://www.texascd.org/index.php#loaded>

CDA National News

(Myra Alilain, Vice Regent)



Our National Regent is Helene Shepard

After attending four state conventions and visiting the Virgin Islands, here is her message:

“Do all for the glory of God. You may say, “Well how do I actually put that into practice?” It requires the right attitude and the right motivation. The right attitude is, I do it out of gratitude, not for the gratitude. The right motivation is, I do it to honor God, not to gain honor for myself.”

Link: <http://www.catholicdaughters.org/index.shtml>

More Knightly News

The Catholic Daughters have been asked to help staff volunteer needs the day before and the day of the Shootout, August 25 & 26. An email from Sign-up Genius will be going out soon. Please check your calendar and consider supporting the Knights.

Pope's Intention for Month of August

Theme: Artists

That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

CDA Mission Statement:

“Catholic Daughters of the Americas strive to embrace the principle of faith working through love in the promotion of justice, equality and the

Note: All articles written by Allison Rice unless otherwise noted



Happy Anniversary to Us!!!
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**Catholic Women's Conference, "Come to Me", in San Antonio, TX. July 28-29.
The ladies of St. Martin de Porres.**



**Welcome to our new members sworn in at our July meeting.
Kate Conroy, Susan Bonner and Carolyn Haire.**