



Court #2690

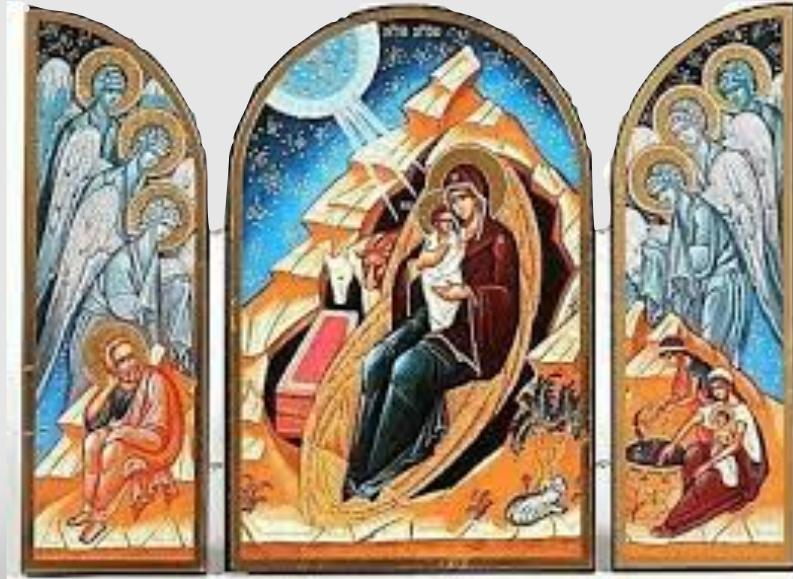
St. Peter the Apostle Church
202 Kronkosky
Boerne, TX 78006
www.cdacourt2690.org

Meets Second Tuesdays 7 PM
at Upon This Rock,
Rosary at 6:30 PM

CDA NEWSLETTER

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

“And the angel said to them, ‘Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy ... for to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.’”— Matthew 2:10-11



A Message from Our Regent ...

November means the beginning of the holiday season. Thanksgiving and Christmas are both celebrations of Joy. Joy for all the blessings God has bestowed on us and joy for the greatest gift of all, His Son, Jesus Christ. Romans 12:12 states “Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.” Mother Teresa describes joy this way, “Joy is prayer; joy is strength; joy is love; joy is the net of love by which you can catch souls. Make an effort to radiate joy. The best way to show gratitude to God and to others is to accept everything with joy.”

It is joyful to see how Court #2690 keeps growing in the integration of spirituality and service, the two-fold purpose of CDA. In September we welcomed 5 new members and in October, 2 more. Spiritually, we continued our Monday Night Rosary following Mass, our prayer requests both monthly and as needed, and encouraging sending Memorial cards. In September our court added the responsibility of covering every Wednesday afternoon Adoration from 4 to 5 pm. Service has remained a primary focus: giving the generous donations to Blessings in A Backpack and the Boerne Family YMCA; collecting Pre-K, K and Elementary books for the Boerne Coalition to promote literacy; collecting diapers, wipes and donations for the Hill Country Pregnancy Center for Respect Life Sunday; gathering candy for the nursing homes' Halloween parties and hygiene products for the Kendall County Women's Shelter; hosting hospitality after 9 am Mass to afford parishioners the opportunity to visit with one another; and assisting the Knights of Columbus with their Drive-Thru Chicken Dinner. This all would not be possible without the joy-filled spirit of our wonderful members.

Remember Philippians 4:4 “Rejoice in the Lord always, again I will say, Rejoice!”
Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas!!!

Blessings!
Barbara

Featured Saint for November 28th

CDA Officers
June 2020-May 2022
Court #2690

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Chaplain:	Deacon Marty Lee

Circle of Love Committees and Chairs

Bereavement	Sharon Mecke
Birthday Gifts for	Sr. Kathleen Higgins
Orphans	
Blessings	Arleen Skwara
in a Backpack	
CDA Rosary	Mary Jo Perley
Circle of Love	Regent Barbara Vogt
Easter Egg Hunt	Marti de la Garza
Epiphany Party	TBD
Father's Day	Suzelle Yanes
Fish Fry	TBD
Fundraising	Debbie Simnacher
Funerals/Ceremonies	TBD
Hospitality	Alma Hilburn & Kathy Hannig
Legislation	TBD
Membership	Charlene Jones
Memorial Cards	Paula Hoeppner
Scholarships	Sydney Muenster
Monthly Prayer Request	Nancy Roberts
Parish Festival	Debbie Simnacher
Priest Appreciation	Nancy Roberts & Dorothy Meuth
Rosary Strands	Lisa Reeh & Debbie Simnacher
Senior Ministries and	Barbara Vogt
Area Nursing Homes	
Spiritual Enhancement	Nancy Roberts
Sunshine Lady	Diane Beaton
VetsStrong	Barbara Walz
Women's Shelter	Alma Hilburn

ADJUNCT

Bulletin Announcement	Suzelle Yanes
Membership/Bunco	Debbie Clayton
Newsletter Editor	Ree Laughlin
Scrapbook	Norma Samarripa-Olivarez
Website/Social Media	TBD



St. Catherine Labouré was born in France on May 2, 1806 as the ninth of 11 children to Pierre and Madeleine Labouré.

In November 1830, the Blessed Mother visited Catherine a second time during evening meditations. She showed herself inside an oval frame, standing upon a globe with rays of light coming from her hands toward the globe. Around the frame were the words, "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee."

Mary asked Catherine of the Sisters of Charity to take these images to her father confessor, Father Jean Marie Aladel, telling him they should be placed on medallions. "All who wear them will receive great graces."

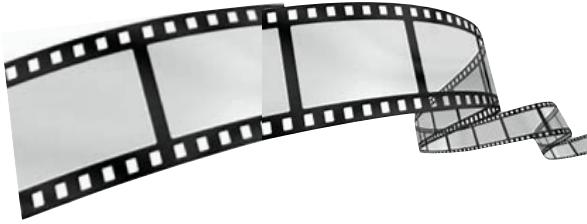
The medals were dispersed so rapidly and effectively it was said to be miraculous.

Catherine Labouré spent the next 40 years of her life caring for the elderly, sick and disabled.

On December 31, 1876, Catherine passed away at 70-years-old. Her body was encased in glass beneath the side altar in the Chapel of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal in Paris and is incorrupt.

Source: miraculousmedal.org

SAVE THE DATE	
<p>November 2 – (Tuesday) Saint John's Bible Event 7 to 9:30 pm in the Cana Ballroom CDA asked to take tickets and serve refreshments</p> <p>November 2 – Mass of Remembrance at 6:30</p> <p>November 6 (Saturday) – Gordita Dinner 11 am to 5 pm</p> <p>November 8th (Monday) – Regular CDA Meeting for November 6 pm Social, 6:30 pm Rosary, 7 pm Meeting</p> <p>November 9th (Tuesday) – Matthew Kelly Reclaim Virtual Event – 6 pm Social and refreshments, event begins at 7 pm</p> <p>November 14th (Sunday) – Advent Wreath Making Event – 9:30 to 2 pm Room 151/153</p>	<p>November 17th (Wednesday) – Making of the Angel Gift Basket tags, 6:30 pm at St. Anthony Hall. See details on pg. 17</p> <p>November 29 – CDA Officer Meeting – 6:30 pm – Our Lady of Guadalupe Room</p> <p>December 3rd (Friday) 5 to 7 pm CDA Fish Fry for Parish Festival Cana Kitchen</p> <p>December 4th (8 am to 3 pm) Poinsettia deliveries and set-up St. Anthony Hall</p> <p>December 5th (8 am to 3 pm) Poinsettia pick up at St. Anthony Hall</p> <p>December 8th (Wednesday) – Delivery of Christmas gifts to nursing homes 10 am at the church office.</p> <p>January 6 – Epiphany Party</p>



When we got married and moved temporarily to San Antonio, my husband and I looked in and around the area for property and a Catholic Church, but something just wasn't right. Either the property/church were too far, too small, or too big; something just didn't fit. One day after purchasing property near Boerne on a very rainy day, we came to St. Peters. Mass was being held in the gym because construction of the church wasn't finished. Even though it was muddy, and we were wet, I felt right at home. I told my husband "This is home." He couldn't believe it. We had to go back to Florida where he was still working and two years later, we came back to Boerne and there was St. Peters, so beautiful and new. I got involved in a Bible Study on Monday evenings, ACTS, among other things. I had never been in a parish that offered so much. There is one thing, though, I didn't learn about all those ministries by myself. I firmly believe that everyone needs help getting to where God wants you. Thankfully, there was always a good, friendly, strong woman leading me to those things I would come to love. Women like Elizabeth Ann Dashiell, Karen O'Connor, Maureen Knupp, may they rest in peace; and my Darcy Maciolek and Ree Laughlin. These women came to be friends and mentors. Of course, I can't forget Father Tony, who helped me and encouraged me so much, along with Fr. Norm, who convinced me to realize a Bible Study in Spanish.

Here comes Gloria Villanueva, who I love with her silent and sweet ways. When she sent me an email about Catholic Daughters, I wondered what it was all about. I had no idea Catholic Daughters existed or what they did. She enlightens me and I told my husband, "Gloria, said it's a good thing, and if Gloria says it's good, then it's good." And so, I joined and, again, when Gloria asked for volunteers for officers, well I agreed to serve there also. I remember the Mass celebrating the initiation of our Court with so many Catholic Daughters from around the State of Texas. Then being sworn in as Recording Secretary by Deacon Ken. I was really humbled. I will never forget it. I wear my charter member pin and try to live up to the expectations of being a member of the Court, although I'm far from meeting those expectations. I love that through the Court we help not only our Court, but our parish and our community. I have met so many good, hardworking women in our Court while working together getting donations for Blessings in a Backpack, filling plates of fried fish, among other things, or making peanut butter sandwiches,

Circle of Love "Monthly Featured Daughter" Marti De La Garza

talking, and laughing as we work together. I consider myself so fortunate to be among them. As officers then, we would laugh and say we didn't really know what we were doing since we didn't get training right away. Well, we did the best we could.

It was fun and exciting going to the State Conventions and getting to know women I knew only by name. I remember the convention in Corpus Christi, when we first submitted Circle of Love, membership programs and a scrapbook for competition. Court 2690 did very well for being such a young court. Ruth McLane and I had worked on the scrapbook, and I kept praying: "Please, Lord, just don't let us be disqualified." Didn't want anything more. After the competitions, we were told to go pick up our scrapbook. We couldn't find it and my stomach was turning over my lunch and I just knew we were disqualified. Then we got near another Daughter that was looking over a scrapbook. Suddenly I realized it was ours. I said, "that's our book!" She looked at me and said: "are you sure?" "Yes", I said, and she said congratulations turned it over and there was this big ribbon on top of our book. We won 3rd place and you'd think it was Olympic Gold; all of us were jumping up and down and when we got back and met at our regular meeting it was the same.

Ruth and I jumping up and down. What a hoot! I loved going to the conventions and I think every member should strive to attend, see, enjoy, and cheer for our Court. I will cherish the long drives going to and from the conventions with my fellow Catholic Daughters laughing so hard you'd think we had something to drink (other than water). But no! We were high on how well we did at the convention, laughing, enjoying each other's company. I love wearing my purple shirts (I've got several) with my ribbons and pins, many I got at the conventions. And since, purple is my favorite color; well, I can't have enough purple things. I even wear purple sneakers. I look forward to doing more for our Court whenever possible simply because there is so much to be said for having fun while you are offering up you time, talent, and treasure. And ladies, there is always someone to help you along the way. May God continue to bless our Court and our wonderful hardworking Daughters.

~ Marti

Catholic Daughters of the Month...

*Ora et labora



2020

December- Alexine Deans

2021

January - Rose Jaeger

February - Paula Hoeppner

March - Carol Lyle

April - Emily Cardenas

May - Mary Frances Teniente

June - Dorothy Meuth

July - Sue Taylor

August - Laura Hooge

September - Karen Eulberg

October - Laura Saenz

November -

Image: Courtesy of Kathryn Simnacher Fine Art. An 8.5 x11" portrait copy in a holder is presented to each of the Daughters listed. * Pray and labor



Above: Karen Eulberg - September Daughter of the Month.

Left: Laura Saenz - October Daughter of the Month

CDA Daughters are selected by our Regent Barbara Vogt for going the extra mile time after time.

Thank you ladies!

CDA Local, State and National ...



L-R: Judy Gleason & Michelle Lee leading the Rosary at our CDA Court Meeting, October 12.

September Meeting

9/14/2021

A big thank you to Susan Krieg and Ginger Vlieger who prepared salads that were enjoyed by those attending.

The meeting began with a presentation of a check for \$7328.43 to Blessing is a Backpack that was raised in August. Thanks to the generosity of our parish. See Pictures on Pg. 12.

Tour de Boerne also presented a check for \$4500. to Blessing in a Backpack. See Picture on Pg. 12

Tour de Boerne presented CDA Court# 2690 with a check for \$1,000 for CDA's help each year with making sandwiches and cutting oranges for the snacks for the riders. The leftovers were presented to families in need. CDA members also help at this event.

Suzelle Yanes coordinated the collection of Pre-K, K, and Elementary books for the Boerne Coalition.

We welcomed five new pledges: Eleanor Moring, Sally Taylor, Donna Oates, Kathryn Hassenger, and Chelsea Marlowe.

October Meeting

10/12/21

Delicious food was provided by Teresa Castro, Paula Hoeppner, and Suzelle Yanes. Thank you ladies!

Susan Krieg won our door prize - Do Something Beautiful for God, teachings of Mother Teresa

To volunteer as one of several hosts for meetings, please contact co-chairs Alma Hilburn and Kathy Hannig or see the sign-up sheet available at meetings for your convenience.

Court #2690 welcomed two newly pledged members. See Pp. 11 for their bios and pictures.

NATIONAL NEWS

[LINK: National News](#)

Sherry Nilles, National Regent

STATE NEWS [LINK: State News](#)

Rebecca Brown, Texas State Regent

State officers and court #2570 will be praying the patriotic rosary at 8:45, St. Mary's church in Praha on November 7th. We will be participating in the Veterans Day event and would like CDA members to join us. See State Link above for details.

The event will be live streamed, if technology participates. If they cannot live stream, the rosary and some of the other festivities will be videoed and then placed on the website and Facebook.

CDA'S RESPONSE TO MEAL REQUESTS



Deacon Marty Lee's Message ...

Recently a Catholic Daughter shared with me that there was a time when she felt that her mental health was failing. She felt doubt, was fearful, depressed, and anxiousness dominated her. What stopped her decline and lifted her up was not that her problems or the world had changed. In her prayer she had focused on Christ but now she began to ask questions about Christ's humanity. Did Christ experience life as she did with its trials and its joys? Did he deal with the full range of emotions and wants that we do? And, how did that effect the world?

My friend told me that she fears that many people focus mainly on Jesus' divinity like she, herself had done. Placing Jesus' divinity on a pedestal can make it hard for us to see his humanity and his divinity at work in our lives. 'For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.' (*Ephesians 2:10*)

I know from my conversations with Daughters that there are so many activities planned for the coming weeks. Added to this, as we enter into November, are the planning of family activities and preparing for holiday get togethers. During this busy month let us turn to God who is at work in our lives. As adopted daughter's and son's of God we need to accept our humanity and also we need to be able to see Jesus Christ's divinity at work in others and within ourselves. To do this I encourage you to follow my friends advice. Spend more time in prayer, attend Adoration or to spend time with Jesus in the tabernacle. And, as you do focus on Christ, and let his humanity and divinity give you peace, guiding you in these busy times.

'For it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.' (*Philippians 2:13*)

In his peace,
Deacon Marty

I love you, O LORD, my strength,
O LORD, my rock, my fortress, my deliverer.
I love you, O LORD, my strength.
My God, my rock of refuge, my shield, the horn of my salvation, my stronghold!
I love you, O LORD, my strength.
The LORD lives! And blessed be my rock!

Psalm18: 2-3



Image Source: Ree Laughlin

The Scribe asked: *Which is the first of the Commandments?*

Jesus replied, "The first is this: Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

Mk 12:28b+

"May God prosper the work of our hands!"

- Fr. Hezekias Camazzo, Institute of Catholic Culture

"The Mission of Circle of Love is to establish committees that support the seven-point program by which Catholic Daughters can serve the needs of the Church and the community.

These points are:

Education, Youth, Spiritual Enhancement, Quality of Life, Family, Leadership, Legislation.

The seven-point program is the way by which Catholic Daughters may serve these needs."

- **Prayer Requests,** Please send your prayer requests to Nancy Roberts by email. Her address is below. If you are interested in forming a rosary prayer group, let Nancy know and she will help you with the details. Contact: Nancy Roberts cococat@gvtc.com
- **Vetstrong.** We are still in need of full- and queen-sized quilts and blankets, washcloths, and pots & pans. Unfortunately, there are still many veterans living in empty apartments with no furniture at all. Contact Barbara Walz if you are interested in helping her make kitchenware or bed linen deliveries. She would like the vets to at least have glassware, pots & pans, and towels. She is making 3-4 pickups each week - and the same number of deliveries. Please continue to provide Barbara with contact information of people who are downsizing, moving, or cleaning out storage units. Barbara is still in need of most anything someone could use moving into a small apartment. She especially needs small kitchen tables. Also, she can use Bingo prizes (small items), and scarfs, jewelry, and items for women. Contact: Barbara Walz barbwalz@gvtc.com
- **CDA Shirts Project.** All CDA members are encouraged to donate any CDA gently used shirts they no longer wear or are replacing for benefit of other members.
 - ▀ Shirts with CDA logo not sold in October will be available for sale at November meeting.
 - ▀ Embroidering Company: N & S Enterprises
 - ▀ Shirts can be previewed in the 2021 catalog: www.bawonline.com
 - ▀ To order a shirt please contact: Mary Frances Teniente at tenientemf72@gmail.com
- **All-Combined Area Nursing Homes.** Nursing homes have opened up and we request that you call and make an appointment to see residents. Individuals may drop off books, puzzles, treats by calling the nursing homes ahead. Check for mask requirements, too. We plan to make tags for the Christmas Angel Gift Baskets at on Wednesday November 17th at St. Anthony Hall at 6:30PM at St. Anthony Hall. See page 11 to volunteer
Contact: Regent Barbara Vogt vogtsrn@gvtc.com
- **Memorial Cards.** 8 cards were sold in July. You can buy the cards for prayers which will be offered for a person for an entire year. Cards are \$2.50 each which goes to State. All money collected for Memorial Cards must be sent to State CDA for their scholarship fund. CDA Court #2690 will accept donations for local scholarships separate from the Memorial Cards and will designate a fundraiser for the scholarship fund." The cards are available for purchase in the pastoral office, from Paula Hoeppner or at the CDA Meetings.
Contact: Paula Hoeppner crafty10@hotmail.com
- **Adoration.** We have incorporated adoration into our spirituality mission. Please see Page 8 for details.

Spiritual Enhancement. Pursuing Holiness...

New!

CDA COURT #2690 YEAR-ROUND ADORATION

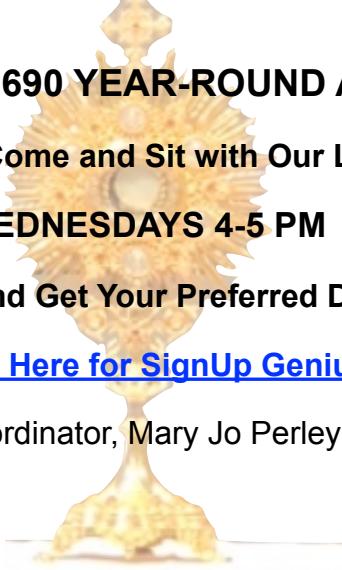
Please Come and Sit with Our Lord!

WEDNESDAYS 4-5 PM

Sign Up and Get Your Preferred Date(s):

[Click Here for SignUp Genius](#)

Coordinator, Mary Jo Perley



CATHOLIC BOOK RECOMMENDATION

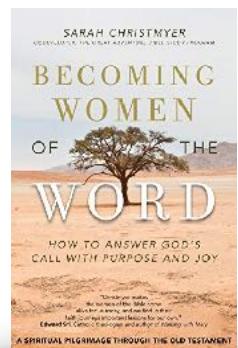
Becoming Women of the Word: How to Answer God's Call with Purpose and Joy

To buy the book:

Link: [Women of the Word amazon](#) or [www.comeintotheword.com](#)

Catholic Author: Sarah Christmyer

The women God called to bring his chosen people into the world were ordinary women who struggled with emptiness, oppression, infertility, and loss—yet who found strength and hope in God. In her first book, Sarah Christmyer, co-developer of *The Great Adventure* Catholic Bible study program —a Bible study program used at St. Peter's through the Adult Bible and Faith Studies (ABFS) ministry— pairs the stories of key Old Testament women with stories of women she has known to show us how we can hear God, say yes to his call, and share him with the world just as they did.



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Breaking open the scriptures to reveal the historical, cultural, and biblical context in which Old Testament women lived, Sarah Christmyer breathes new life into their stories and makes their lives surprisingly relatable. In the process, she shares stories from her own faith journey and the lives of family and friends to show how the same principles that turned ordinary women into heroines of the faith are true for our lives today.

Each chapter of *Becoming Women of the Word* highlights the spiritual legacy of one or more women in the Old Testament. Their world was vastly different from ours, yet they faced the same questions we do: when we can't feel God's presence, where do we find help? When our world is collapsing, where is God? Why should we trust him? *How* can we trust him? Christmyer simply and clearly draws from the lives of these women important principles that help us to trust—even as we struggle with doubt about matters of life and death.

These unforgettable portraits create a colorful mosaic of faith, encouraging us to mine God's Word for spiritual treasure and to pass on the gift.

Honoring War Vets & First Responder Heroes...

We Support Hope for Heroes



Serving those who serve us, Hope for Heroes Boerne is committed to the first responders in our communities who selflessly dedicate their lives to protecting ours. They serve day and night in the most challenging circumstances facing danger, injury, sickness, and even death to ensure our safety and health. It's our turn to give back to those who give their all. First responders are our passion. Treating them to a weekend getaway is our mission. Boerne, Texas is a premiere Hill Country destination in a part of the world that still shows our first responders the respect they deserve. We are a nonprofit organization that relies on the generous support of like-minded citizens to rejuvenate and encourage our protectors. We want to send them on a uniquely-relaxing, and worry-free weekend in Boerne to lift them up. Join us as we talk with some of the men and women help selflessly serve us.

Christmas Ornaments and Cookbook Update from Michelle Lee...



This is the new ornament design.

- ❖ Ornament sales after Mass will start in early December. Online ordering and bulletin announcement will be live November 8th if not sooner.
- ❖ The publisher says that it will likely be end of November before the cookbooks arrive. Three ring binder books take longer. So instead of the original three-week time period for publishing, we are looking at five. Tastings for November will be cancelled and rescheduled for early December.

Welcome New Pledges for September...



Left to right: Regent Barbara Vogt, Eleanor Moring, Sally Taylor, Donna Oates, Kathryn Hassenger, and Chelsea Marlowe.

Kathryn Hassenger joined St. Peter's August 1, 2021. They moved to our area from San Antonio via Bergheim to settle down on the property they owned. Kathryn and her husband Dan have been married since February 14, 2003. Kathryn is a retired PE teacher. She has a son who is single and a Major in the U.S. Air Force. Completing the immediate family are their two dogs Brantley and Cooper. She enjoys pickle ball, gardening and traveling. Her dad who is 92 lives with his 93 year old sister in South San Antonio. She and her husband watch over them. Being a newcomer to St. Peter's Kathy was looking for ways to get to know folks in the community. She picked our CDA because "CDA does wonderful work and appears to be the heartbeat of the parish." We agree she has come to the right place to meet new people and have plenty of opportunity to serve.

Chelsea Marlowe started attending about a year ago and she and the family have been parishioners for three months. Chelsea has been married to Kyle Marlowe for seven years in December. They moved to Boerne last year with their two girls, Lila 5 and Madelyn 3. She is a stay at home mom mainly, a Real Estate agent and keeps books for the family business. She also enjoys baking, gardening and snow skiing. Chelsea joined our CDA to get involved with the parish and serve our community. She looks forward to helping CDA accomplish our mission of "Service and Spirituality" by volunteering alongside other women.

Eleanor Moring is originally from Boston, the oldest of six children in a Catholic family. She attended Catholic high school on a scholarship, then on to Boston State where she earned her teaching degree. She taught kindergarten and first grade in Germany for the DoD Overseas Dependent Schools where she met her husband John who was in the army. She later taught in Argentina and Newfoundland while John was sent to Korea. They married in 1974 and came to San Antonio for John to complete his MA at UTSA. They moved to Boerne when John was hired by the City of Boerne and she taught at BISD. The Moring's have lived in Boerne for 42 years in the same home where they reared their six children in seven years. She became a mom and homemaker and also taught at St. Helena's and St. Albers and subbed for BISD.

Later she went to Our Lady of the Lake University where she received her Master's degree. She then became the librarian at Currington Elementary retiring in 2006.

They have five living children: Katie, Brad, Mary, Tim and Stephen. They are all graduates of Boerne High School. She also has five grandchildren: Conner in Commerce, TX; Shelby and Reagan in Snook, TX; and Nolan and Lachlan here in Boerne. Their son Stephen claims the sixth grandchild...a beautiful four-legged black dog named Axe!

Donna Oates Hello! My name is Donna Oates, and my husband Randy and I have been parishioners at St. Peters for about 28 years. Randy and I will celebrate our 33rd wedding anniversary in June. We have three grown children who grew up at St. Peters. Meghan, our oldest, is a Family and Consumer Science (Culinary) teacher at Wagner High School in San Antonio. Our son William is married to Hannah Kruse, and they have two daughters, Terah and Margot, our precious grandchildren. William teaches at Boerne Middle School South. Aimee, our youngest, is married to Dylan Dy-Liacco; she is a nationally certified critical care nurse and works in the ICU at Texan Hospital. I am a dyslexia specialist for Boerne ISD, and Randy is the commercial production manager at Channel 5, KENS-TV. When we are not playing with our granddaughters, we enjoy camping in our pop-up camper we nicknamed The Titanic, motorcycle riding, and gardening. I am excited to become a part of the CDA and can't wait to become more active and involved in the parish through this membership.

Sally Taylor has been a parishioner for approx. 25 years. She is widowed twice and has two granddaughters ages 15 & 18 in Alberta, Canada. She had a varied career and has packed a lot of adventures into her life. She writes, "I always did what I loved which was travel and skiing. From Tacoma, Washington originally, I found a way to travel the world in my younger days."

She spent her junior year of college in France and upon graduation, worked as a Recreation Director in West Berlin & West Germany. After three years, she got a Masters in Recreation & Park Management and organized ski trips for school students and later adults. Her world travels took her to see 1972 Winter Olympics in Sapporo Japan, and Australia where she organized adult ski trips in Melbourne. In the '70's she travelled overland & camped from Katmandu, Nepal through India, Pakistan, Iran, Afghanistan, Turkey, Greece and up through Germany & France to England. Back in the states she founded her own Adventure Travel Company with three offices in the Pacific Northwest. Ten years after the death of her first husband she met Bill on a ski trip to the interior of British Columbia. Shortly after they married, Bill's work took them to Austin, but he discovered Boerne and she found St. Peter's and "it was the best thing that ever happened to us."

Her adventures with Bill continued with memorable trips in their RV throughout the U.S., Canada and Mexico. She has two more trips in mind for next year: A two-week ski trip to celebrate her 80th birthday and "God willing," a long-delayed trip to the Holy Land.

Welcome New Pledges for October...



L-R Regent Vogt, Esther Keeley and Janice Almeida
forward to getting more involved with other CDA activities.

Esther Keeley is a Newbie! As of October, she and her hubby been in the parish six months. Esther and Tom, who is a Knight, have been married for 42 years and have three daughters in Boerne, five children in all, and twenty-four grandchildren! Esther retired from her career as teacher/administrator in 2020. She enjoys going to the movies, walking for exercise and doing crafts.

She and her husband Tony, who is a Knight, have always been involved in their previous parishes. They are fast getting involved in various ministries here at St. Peters and are very happy to be here. She learned about CDA at our Ministry Fair. Esther says it sounded very worthwhile, interesting and fun and looks forward to serving our parish and community through our CDA endeavors and getting to know our Court members. One of her daughters, in Arizona, is also a member.

ROSARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to sign up to lead the rosary after the Monday Evenings 6:30 PM Mass.

Pick a date online, "Sign Up Genius"

[Click Here for Sign Up Genius](#)

Get a spouse or a friend to join you immediately following
Monday Night Mass at 6:30 PM

For Info Contact:
Mary Jo Perley perleymj@gmail.com - 830-388-1744 or
Kathy Hannig kmhannig@gvtc.com 210-563-6436

EVENTS VOLUNTEER ALERT!

Advent Wreath Making

Contact: Michelle Lee
odysseylee11@hotmail.com

NOTE: Need volunteers for the advent wreath making event on November 14th from 10am - 2pm in FLC 151/153. Sign up sheet should go out this weekend, 30th or 31st, October

Angel Gift Basket

Making the tags on Wednesday, November 17th. See page 17 for details and to volunteer.

Epiphany Party

January 6, 2022
Contacts: Co-Chairs Dorothy Meuth drbmeuth@gmail.com) and Judy Gleason judygleason5777@gmail.com
Please consider signing up to be a committee member.

Parish Fish Fry Dinner

December 3, 2021
Contacts: Co-Chairs Dorothy Meuth drbmeuth@gmail.com and Heidi Abshire heidiabshire1@gmail.com
Please consider signing up to be a committee member.

Poinsettia Fundraiser Sale

Orders must be ordered by December 1, 2021. See Pg. 19 for Order Form.
Contact: Peggy Pillar
ppillar@aol.com

Honoring Parish Widows Event

If you could assist with ideas and planning for event to support the widows in our parish, please contact Michelle Lee at odysseylee11@hotmail.com

Supporting our Parish Life and Area Community...

"We show our love for God by caring for all that He created, particularly, our neighbor." - Fr. Sebastian Carnazzo ICC



BOERNE YMCA RECEIVES OUR LOCAL COURT DONATION

On October 7th our court presented a donation to the Boerne Family YMCA in the amount of \$2000. This is an increase from last year thanks to a generous donation from Tour De Boerne bicycle race sponsored by our St.Peter's Knights of Columbus since CDA members helped with snacks and the administration and coordination on the day of the race.

Pictured L-R: YMCA representatives Jamie Gutierrez & Doug Desbien with CDA's Regent Barbara Vogt and Charlene Jones.

HAPPY TO SUPPORT OUR KNIGHTS WITH THEIR DRIVE-THRU CHICKEN DINNER



On Friday, October 22, the parish Knights of Columbus held their DriveThru Chicken Dinner. CDA Kitchen was there to help execute the event. Pictured L-R: Kay Finch, Marti De La Garza, Kathy Hannig, Kathy Tucci, Susan Krieg, Susan Markworth, Suzelle Yanes, Syd Muenster, Judy Gleason, and Dorothy Meuth.

Supporting our Parish Life and Area Community, cont'd...

Hill Country Pregnancy Center Parish Drive

Diapers, Baby Wipes and Money Donations were collected on October 2 and 3, 2021 after Masses for the Boerne area pregnancy center. Money donations totaled \$939.

CDA Volunteers Pictured L-R: Paula Hoeppner, Sue Taylor, Kathy Tucci and Regent Barbara Vogt.

More pictures below...



Clockwise L-R: Sue Taylor and Dorothy Meuth; Sheila Dillard and family with CDA volunteers Lisa Sallick and Susan Krieg; Parishioners generously donating for diaper drive.

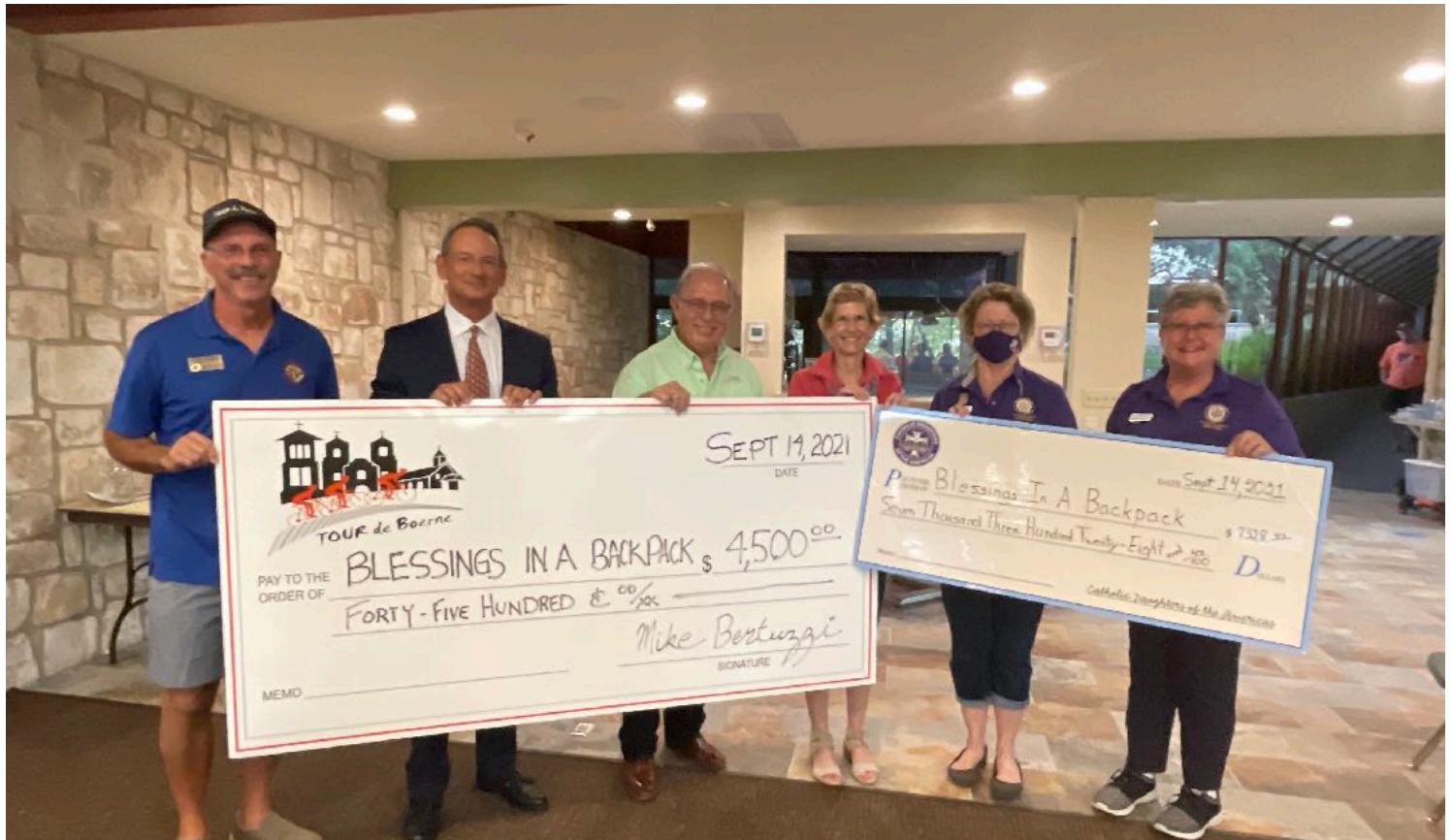
Supporting our Parish Life and Area Community, cont'd...



Blessings in a Backpack

Left: A check for \$7,328.43 from our CDA daughters was presented by Arleen Skwara, event Chair, to Kathy Bandujo of Blessings in a Backpack. Kathy thanked the daughters for their continued support and then explained exactly what BIB does for the low-income children in the district.

Below: Tour de Boerne also presented a check for \$4500 to Blessings in a Backpack. They then presented CDA Court #2690 with a check for \$1000 for our help with the Tour de Boerne event.



Supporting our Parish Life and Area Community, cont'd...

Elementary Faith Formation Family Adoration Day

CDA volunteers helped serve hotdogs, chips, and drinks to families attending the Faith Formation Adoration on Wednesday, September 8, 2021. L-R: Ginny Sledge, Dorothy Meuth, Arleen Skwara, Ginger Vlieger, Rose Jaeger, Charlene Jones, Judy Gleason, Sr. Kathleen Higgins, Suzelle Yanes and Regent, Barbara Vogt.



"Unless we become like a child and receive this gift of God's life can we come to live this life out."

Paraphrasing Matthew 18:1-5

Books for "Boerne Reads" Literacy Program

CDA members L-R: Suzelle Yanes, Charlene Jones and Regent Barbara Vogt help load children's books in Sarah Schmidt's car for "Boerne Reads" literacy program. Books were collected at the CDA's September meeting and throughout the month of September 2021.



Supporting our Parish Life and Area Community. cont'd...



CDA's Barbara Vogt, Suzelle Yanes, with parishioners Hugh and Cindy Exton in front of Planned Parenthood in San Antonio, TX for the **40 Days of Life** on Saturday, October 30th. Though the date has passed, but you are interested in supporting the end to abortion efforts, please contact the Exton's: 830-755-8248.



Trunk and Treat

CDA's giving out candy at the Trunk and Treat activity for the children after Masses Sunday, October 31.



Pictured Clockwise, L-R: Suzelle

Yanes, Maria Ann Wladika, Debbie Clayton, Ginny Sledge, and Kathy Hannig ; Emily Cardenas, Maria W. & Sue Taylor; Javi w/Emma and Ella (Emily's family); Parents, Grandparents in the back and some the children with their treats.

Supporting our Parish Life and Area Community.

Area Nursing Homes...

- Regent Barbara Vogt, vogtsrn@gvtc.com

“...whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.” Matt 25:36

The local Boerne Area Nursing Homes have opened to visitors. If you are interested in volunteering on behalf of our local CDA Court to a specific Nursing home please check with them first to see if they need volunteer help, then contact Regent Vogt to discuss what we can and cannot do on behalf of our CDA,

For now we help by taking cookies to Care Choice on third Fridays of the month by 2:00 pm since Bingo begins at 2:30 pm, but may be taken any day before. If you want to participate, please select a date listed below, and let Regent Barbara Vogt know the day you will take the cookies to Care Choice. FYI LORNA DOONE Short Bread Cookies come in 10 sealed packs of 4 inside the box. Seniors love Lorna Doone's with coffee or tea.(Not an advertisement. Just an idea for your convenience.)

Friday, Nov. 19th

Friday, Dec. 1

CDA Court #2690 sponsors the Angel Gift Basket Project to provide all the residents in local nursing homes with a Christmas gift for their facility Christmas party. Tags will be made November 17th at 6:30 PM at St. Anthony Hall. These tags will be available to parishioners after Masses on Nov. 20th and 21st. Once a gift is purchased and wrapped for each tag, they are returned to the church office by December 6. On December 8th, CDA members will deliver the gifts to all nursing homes.



GROWING IN GRACE GARDENS (GIG)

Anyone who would like to help with the gardens please contact Debbie Simnacher: 209-482-5201 or swisslstix@gmail.com

Image: One of many sunflowers grown and sold this past summer.



Each month at our Court CDA Meetings we collect small toiletries for women living in the Boerne area Kendall County Women's Shelter. The picture to the right shows what was collected at the October meeting. Thank you for your generosity, ladies.

KCWS provides safe, emergency shelter in a supportive environment where Texas Hill Country victims of domestic violence and their children can begin the healing process and receive the support services they need to build new lives. If you are a victim of domestic violence and are in need of shelter, call us today.

Please keep these ladies in your thoughts when you travel and stay in a hotel or motel. The free toiletries are given to the residents at KCWS. If you would like more information, please contact Alma Hilburn who coordinates this effort for our local Court. almahilburn@hotmail.com

Are you experiencing domestic violence?

**CALL KCWS 24 HOUR HOTLINE NOW:
800-495-8078**



CDA Sunday Celebration, October 17, 2021 9 AM Mass...



L-R: Father Norm blessing CDA members at 9 am Mass October 17. CDA members together at 9 AM Mass.



L-R: Yolanda Doddato, Dorothy Meuth, Susa Krieg, Judy Gleason, Beth Dewey, Suzelle Yanes, Paula Hoeppner, Marti DeLa Garza, Kathy Hannig, Barbara Vogt, and Karin Startin. CDA sponsored Hospitality between 9 and 11 AM Masses.





PURPLE REIGNS AT ST. PETER'S COURTYARD ON OCTOBER 17th

We not only celebrated CDA Day with Mass and Hospitality between the 9 and 11 AM Masses, we also took the time to help with raffle tickets for the big win at the Parish Festival this month. It's a brand new Lexus RUV 350.

Pictured are CDA Members selling raffle tickets:
L-R: Diane Beaton, Karen Stevenson, Debbie Clayton, and Dana Gonyer helping sell Vehicle Raffle Tickets after 9 am Mass October 17.

"The Church, which is called first and foremost to a life of discipleship, must make her own the way of Jesus, a way marked by service, sacrifice, and self-giving love. The Christian life, therefore, necessarily includes a life of service – a life in imitation of the Master."

- Joe Cady, St. Timothy Church, Meza, AZ.

Order your Christmas Poinsettias by December 1, 2021

Choice of three methods to place order and pay!

Copy/Paste Form if Not paying by Credit Card



CDA POINSETTIA SALES

For Home • Gift-giving • 6-inch Plant

Red • Pink • White
Jingle Bells (red with white speckling)

\$25 each

Please fill out the form and return by
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2021

to the parish office or Mass collection basket
with check payment made out to

Click Live Link → [CDA #2690 or pay by credit card online at stpetersboerne.com/s/giving-opportunities](http://stpetersboerne.com/s/giving-opportunities)

Name: _____

Telephone#: _____

Email Address: _____

PLANTS	# ORDERING	FOIL WRAP # ORDERING
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Red: _____ Plants include foil wrap.

Pink: _____ Please designate color.

White: _____ Silver: _____

Jingle Bells: _____ Gold: _____

Pink: _____

Green: _____

If you would like to donate to the décor of the parish for the holiday season, please indicate how many:

_____ for Altar decoration (RED ONLY)

Total poinsettias ordered: _____

Total \$ enclosed: _____

Plants will be available for pick up at the Upon this Rock Campus, St. Anthony Hall, on Sunday, December 5th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please contact Alma Hilburn at (979) 732-1644, Kathy Hannig at (210) 563-6436 or Peggy Pillar at (210) 414-5075 with questions.



Mind, Body, Spirit: Health for the Journey...

Cor. 6:19 - Your Body is the Temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God.

ImageSource:Vancouver Sun 2013

Practice Holiday (Food) Forgiveness

FROM THE WEBMD ARCHIVES

By Jared Miller

Holidays are about spending time with friends and family, celebrating the season and partaking in delicious cuisine. But for people trying to watch what they eat, holidays -- especially Thanksgiving -- can be difficult. If you're like me, when you're surrounded by delicious foods that only emerge once a year, you like to fill up on them.

Additionally, the stress that often accompanies a busy holiday gathering can lead to eating more than initially planned. You shouldn't let the risk of falling off the wagon ruin your holiday fun. Here are a few suggestions on how you can forgive yourself for indulging in the delicacies of Turkey Day. Link: [Read More...](#)

"I've learned that life is like a roll of toilet paper.
The closer it gets to the end, the faster it goes."
—Andy Rooney



Happy Birthday!

"Agape love is the stuff that holds a marriage—and a family—together through all kinds of seasons. It's the selfless, unconditional type of love that helps people to forgive one another, to respect one another, and to serve one another, day in and day out." — imom.com



NOVEMBER

Kathy Hossenlopp
11/1,
Donna Ferry 11/3,
Karen Smajstrla
11/13,
Nancy Boerner
11/16,
Carrie Zapata 11/16,
Karen Stevenson
11/21,
Isabel Barron 11/15,
Karin Startin 11/25,
Lisa Sallick 11/28,

DECEMBER

Suzelle Yanes 12/1,
Edna Baldwin 12/4,
Karen Yancich 12/18,
Christy Samarripa-Olivarez 12/25,
Mary Frances
Teniente 12/27,
Paula Hoeppner
12/31

NOVEMBER

Teresa and John Castro
11/1,
Sister Kathleen Higgins
11/2,
Nancy and Chris Lysinger
11/5,
Cheryl and Larry
Kovalchik 11/15,
Joann and Ray Sevonty
11/19,
Syd and Greg Muenster
11/20,
Debbie and Bubba
Simnacher 11/21,
Gloria Villanueva and Eloy
Saenz 11/21,

Michelle and Steve Viro

11/27

DECEMBER

Chelsea and Kyle
Marlowe 12/20,
Mary Francis Teniente
and Rey Salinas 12/27,
Judy and Jeff Joseph
12/28,
Karin and Jim Startin
12/28,
Dianna and Greg
Roberts 12/30,
Tara and James Castro
12/31

WORD PUZZLE

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WORDS

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carol	king	hark
child	lights	inn
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cold	birth	kind
drummerboy	carol	king
gifts	child	lights
hark	christmas	
inn	cold	

See next page for
answers.

PUZZLE ANSWERS

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Parish News & Updates

Source: stpetersboerne.com

Mass Times

Saturday 5:30 pm
Sunday 9:00 am; 11:00 am; 1:00 pm (en español),
5:00 pm
Monday 6:30 pm
(Note: 11/1/21 Special Mass 8 am. - No 6:30 pm)
Tue, Wed, Thu 8:00 am
Friday 10:00 am

Reconciliation

Tue 6:00-7:00 pm and Sat 10:00-11:00 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Exposition Days: Wed., 3 - 6:30 pm
 Fri., 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

As a CDA if you wish to sit with our Lord outside of the CDA Wednesday's designated adoration hour 4-5 PM, please contact Hugh or Cindy Exton at this link hmexton@aol.com to select another day or time.

LISTENING SESSIONS

•St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church is preparing a feasibility study that will address the potential for a new Catholic PK-12 school. Listening sessions are being scheduled with key constituent groups to seek information that will help develop a vision and plan for the future. To sign up for one of the upcoming listening sessions, please register at, [LINK: Listening Sessions.](#)

•You may remember that two years ago we started what we hoped to be a continuing tradition here at St. Peter's parish, the special Veterans' Day Celebration on November 11th. It was setup to be an ecumenical Liturgical and Prayer Service that would involve parishioners of all age groups and various organizations. It was not held last year due to the pandemic.
For Information Contact:
DeaconDel@stpetersboerne.com

•Bill & Lisa Strain, our parish Mission Council leaders, have restarted our Fair Trade Coffee Sales last Sunday after Masses. Please plan ahead for your coffee purchases.

•St. Peter's is once again partnering with Hill Country Daily Bread Ministries in assisting needy families in our area with Thanksgiving meals..

We are asking parishioners to bring various food items and place them in the Narthex or the office in the next two weeks. Please see the parish website stpetersboerne.com for needed items. All items collected will be delivered to Hill Country Daily Bread on November 4th, so need to be donated to the parish by November 3rd.

•CDA Judy Gleason a long time parishioner is retiring soon and taking the job as parish receptionist Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays. She starts November 8th.

Sheila Dillard, a member of our parish for 3 1/2 years has worked as Assistant to Director of Elementary Faith Formation for 1 1/2 years will now transition in to the Receptionist position covering Thursdays and Fridays.

•Ticket sales for the Fall Festival 2021 Fundraiser Vehicle Raffle have begun. The raffle is for a new 2022 LEXUS RX 350 Atomic Silver, 4-door, V6. Please go to the parish website stpetersboerne.com to buy your raffle ticket on-line.

•The parish still seeks for employment a Nursery Attendant and Volunteers. Contact Laura Contreras at laura@stpeters.com

•A Part time Ballroom attendant is also needed for the Cana Ballroom. Please contact Deacon Brad Wakely, Parish Operations Director at (830) 816-5636 or brad@stpeters.com

•**THE NURSERY IS NOW OPEN** for Sunday 9 AM and 11 AM Masses. For details please contact Laura Contreras at laura@stpeters.com or call 830-816-5668.

•A Woman's Haven pregnancy center will have ProLife advocate ABBY JOHNSON as keynote speaker for their benefit dinner on Thursday November 18th. For more info and to register. [AWomanHaven2021.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/awomanhaven2021-tickets-18390000000)



A Retreat for the Young Adults Ages 18-35. November 8th, Holy Trinity Church, Faith Formation Building, 20523 Huebner Rd. S.A. TX 9 AM-8 PM \$35. To register: osvhub.com/holytrinitysat/forms/young-adults

•**ADMISSIONS/OPEN HOUSE** Our Lady of the Hills Catholic College Prep in Kerrville is holding an information Open House on Sunday November 14th, from 1-4 PM. Tours of the school and presentations by the faculty will be available. To RSVP: debbie.mossman@olhcollegeprep.org or 830-895-0510.

Ask a Lawyer

Immigration, Guardianship, Kinship...**Catholic Charities** is coming to you!

St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, Boerne

April 6, 2022

9 AM - 1 PM