October 28, 2024

Greetings from Court Blessed Mother Teresa #2550!

It's been a busy month in CDA with more to come in November and December. Here are the highlights of our October 14th meeting.

-Our National President, Susan Mone, sent us a plea for <u>disaster relief from Hurricane Helene</u>. Our court voted to send \$250.

-<u>Baby Bottle Campaign</u> Chairman, Bonnie Viator, reported that our OLPH parishioners raised \$3,564.36. in September. She also reported that the Unplanned Pregnancy Center was pleased to receive the baby items we collected at our September meeting from the baby shower.

-Plans for WRAP, White Ribbons Against Pornography, were discussed by Barabara Babineaux, Chairman. Members signed up to place flyers in the bulletin and to hand out white ribbons on October 26 and 27 after all masses.

<u>- Our October Financial Review</u> took place on October 16 by Annette Fontenot, our District Deputy. Mary Reaux, Bonnie Viator, and Rosa Menard volunteered to serve along with our officers: Paula Foret-Regent, Elaine Barras – Vice Regent, Susan Robinson – Treasurer, and Carol Whip- Financial Secretary.

- Denise Mestayer, Saints Fest Chairman, explained the need for candy, cookies, drinks, and games to be played on Oct. 27. Members signed up to provide items and help.

- <u>Carol Whip, Fall Food Drive Chairman</u>, asked for members to sign up for handing out the food bags (donated by Fremin Foods) at all the masses November 2nd and 3rd.

<u>On Sunday, October 20</u>, our annual Catholic Daughters mass was held at 9:00. Sixteen members were present. Regent, Paula Foret, gave a speech describing our organization and previewing the upcoming Fall Food Drive and Winter Clothing Drive. Parishioners were asked to help us all to fulfill the responsibility given to us by Jesus to feed the hungry and clothe those in need.

On Sunday, October 27, CDA held Saints Fest for the lower grade religion classes at OLPH at 9:00 am. Many students dressed as their favorite saint. Peggy Tauzin explained how holy people become saints. They played games (bean bag toss, ring toss, bowling, corn hole toss, basketball, jump rope) and made arts and crafts. The students enjoyed the treats, games, crafts and goody bags. Denise Mestayer, Elaine Barras, Paula Foret, Debbie Onellion, Susan Robinson, Janie Smith and Bonnie Viator volunteered for this event.

<u>On November 2nd and 3rd</u>, Fall Food Drive bags will be handed out at church to all parishioners to be returned on Nov. 9,10 and Nov. 16,17 at the masses. Food collected will be given to St. Francis Diner and Council on the Aging. Carol Whip is the Chairman. We hope to fill the needs of these charitable food sources for those in need.

Other important dates:

Friday, <u>November 1 – All Saints Day</u> – a holy day of obligation Saturday, <u>November 2</u> at 10:00 – <u>All Souls Mass</u> and blessing of the tombs at Holy Family Cemetery. Monday, <u>November 11</u> – CDA meeting at 5:30 at the Life Center Wednesday, <u>November 15</u> – CDA mass at 12:15

We miss your presence! Save any winter clothing no longer needed for our Winter Clothing Drive in December. Please come join us for the next meeting.

Blessings,

Paula Foret, Regent, Court Blessed Mother Teresa #2550