

JUNIOR JAZZ – March 2012

State President's Message

Dear JCDA sisters, I hope everyone is great! I am absolutely thrilled that we already instituted three new courts this year! I am certainly positive that our goal of twenty new courts is on its way. I am sure many of you heard of abortion. This past January, I got to visit Washington DC to attend the March for Life. This March for Life was amazing! I had a wonderful experience. Abortion is absolutely wrong, and we as Catholics need to take a stand against it. So, I encourage all of you to stand not only with me but with the rest of the nation to be against this cruel action. So speak your mind and stand up for what you believe in!

With great love, Mary Adamek

1st Vice State President's Message:

Hello, JCDA lovely ladies! The school year is flying too quickly! We have to stay calm and live each day as if it were our last. Don't forget that we are beautiful youth, and we are capable of channeling our youthful power into actions for making great things happen within our JCDA courts, parishes, families, schools, and communities. As we are in the middle of the Lenten Season, it is very important that we prepare every aspect of ourselves for the Resurrection of Jesus Christ our Lord. We can do so by self-examination and repentance. Live out God's blessing of "forgiveness." Attend reconciliation; make the most of confession, penance and absolution. Forgive yourself as you forgive others. Your soul will be beautifully renewed and ready for the greatest celebration: the Resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Happy Easter Junior Catholic Daughters! "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life. For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world should be saved through Him." John 3:16-17

Love Always, Katelyn Martinez



2nd Vice State President

Hello ladies, how is everyone? My JCDA court had an all-day girls' retreat, and it was amazing! The girls are closer to each other; it's amazing! I have been so busy recognizing Christ through everyone and everything! Something has changed in me throughout the past few weeks, and I've really seen Christ! He loves us all, and will not put us through anything we cannot handle! My court helped our KC's sell trees in December, and we are getting ready to serve pancakes to everyone in our church. "Those who do not know God, do not know love, because God is love." 1 John 4:8

Jamie Lee Ornelas

State Secretary's Message

Hello, JCDA family. I hope everything is going well with ya'll's lives. Mine has been great!!! My court and I are currently doing a community service project called "Adopt a Grandparent." This is where we adopt an elderly person from our church who is in need of some caring and loving. By doing this, we are showing our love and appreciation for others, especially at this time of year around Valentine's Day! This time of year is for showing your love. I encourage you to go out and show your love for JCDA. Go by yourself or go with others, don't worry about what people think of you, just do it! People love to be loved so just even a gesture will make someone's day!

With great love, Holly Soukup

State Reporter's Message

Send your court newspaper articles and pictures to ME!

Love Always, Allison Whitworth

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2012—Dates to Remember

March 4th - Institute Court Anna Poth#2513
March 4th - State Commission Meeting, Poth
June 9th - State Spiritual Retreat-Weimar

We wish everyone a Happy & Blessed
Easter Resurrection!



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CONGRATULATIONS

State Chairman's Message

Dear JCDA Members, Chairmen, and Counselors:

The holidays have been celebrated, and we are beginning the Lenten Season. They are all different seasons connecting us to our Lord Jesus Christ. We thank Him for life, for hope, and for salvation. I encourage all courts to do something special during Lent to prepare the girls for Easter Sunday.

I'm happy to report that two new Courts have been instituted and the State Board will be traveling to Poth, TX, in March to institute another one. Keep us in your prayers as we keep you in ours.

The JCDA State Officers have been planning the annual State Spiritual Retreat at Our State Chaplain's farm in Weimer; the first 125 juniors including adults to sign up will be accepted. Registrations forms will be posted on the website very soon. I want to thank the JCDA State Moms for accepting the challenge of the program. They promise us some fun water games. We are still working on the speaker, but everything else is pretty well planned.

"Lord, when doubts fill my mind, when my heart is in turmoil, quiet me and give me renewed hope and cheer." Psalm 94:19
Terri Beltran



Court Our Lady Queen of the Americas #2334 – Clute
Instituted November 12, 2011, Becky Brown, DD



Court Mother Seton 2513 – Keller.
Instituted January 21, 2012, Sonya Higgins, DD

State Chaplain's Message

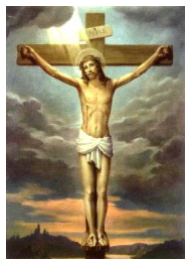
Dear Junior Catholic Daughters:



It was great to see the pictures and stories about the Texas JCDA in Share, the Catholic Daughters national magazine. Let's keep growing! We are already in March and have already started the Lenten season in order to prepare ourselves for Holy Week and the great Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord, Easter. This is a great time to do extra prayer, fasting and self-sacrificing. Let us use this time to think about how much God loves us and what we can do to show our love for Him in return. I am looking forward to hosting the JCDA summer spiritual retreat at my farm outside of Weimar, Texas, on Saturday, June 9th. I hope that a good number of you will be able to come and join us.

Fr. John Peters

JCDA RALLIES FOR LIFE IN AUSTIN: Courts attending were Angleton, Clute, Corpus Christi, El Campo, Floresville, Odem, Round Rock, Sealy, Shiner, West. A big "Thanks" to Annette Sprawls, Our Lady of the Hills #2415, Round Rock for organizing the details!



A Lenten Prayer: Lord Jesus, Redeemer of all, hear my prayer. For the love you bear to those who ask forgiveness, look mercifully on me, as once you looked on Mary Magdalene and on Peter who denied you. Look on me, Lord Jesus Christ, as you looked on the thief on Lhis cross and on every sinner whom you have ever forgiven. Look on me, merciful Lord, as you looked on your mother, Mary, standing in sorrow beneath your cross. Let me feel in my heart her compassion for you, and let my eyes weep for the sorrows my sins have caused. Call me from darkness to my Father's house; give me a new heart and a place at your side at the banquet of your kingdom. Amen.