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Saint Elizabeth Court 1616 Celebrates 55th Anniversary

The Fifty fifth (55) Anniversary of Court Saint Elizabeth 1616, Sealy, TX was held on October 6 in conjunction with the annual Priest Appreciation Banquet at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Sealy, TX.

Members of the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus served as Honor Guard. Local officers attending were Carolyn Rapsilver, Regent and District Deputy #28, Mona Norris, Vice Regent; Frances Bollom, Recording Secretary; Sandy Myhre, Financial Secretary; Deacon Jerome D. Losack, Sr, Court Chaplain.

Among the honored guests at the October Rosary, Mass and Banquet were Libby Ramirez, National Regent Elect, Victoria, TX; Carolyn Bachmann, State Regent, Scotland, TX; Sheila Martinka, First Vice State Regent, Pasadena; Carolyn Malik, Second Vice State Regent, Shiner; Reverend Donald Ruppert, State Chaplain, East Bernard, TX; Terrie Vacek, Immediate Past District Deputy #28 and State Public Relations/Scrapbook Chairman, Willis, TX; Faye Melnar, District Deputy #34, Victoria; Reverend Eric Pitre Pastor, Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Sealy; Father Carrillo, Celebrant, Missionary Priest.

The uphill journey since the installation of Saint Elizabeth Court 1616 of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas on August 3, 1952 has been one of growth with many successes. Today, there remains six of the original fifty charter members; Mary Hradil, Mary Nell Jalowy, Frances, Janecek, Molly Machala, Ora Dell Strieder, Mary Vicenik.

A congratulatory certificate of appreciation was presented to Rapsilver by Bachmann for their fifty five years of faithful service to CDA, the church and the community. Ramirez shared a message from the National CDA Court and offered her congratulations and appreciation. Local awards and presentations were made as well as gifts of appreciation.

Reverend Donald Ruppert was the Guest Speaker following the chicken fired steak meal. Fr. Don shared a brief lesson on the history and traditions of Catholic Daughters while entertaining guests with his wit and clever stories.

Head Table flower arrangements were made by Frances Hinze, crown of thorn mums served as table decorations and door prizes. Members of the Junior Catholic Daughters Court were in attendance and served as junior hostesses; Gloria Arriaga, Patsy Verm, Amanda Martinez, Christina Verm, Michelle Alexander, Ashley Stilley, Amy Martinez. Lori Faldyn, Camie Wozniak, Frances Bollom, Melisa Kloss, Enola Tanskey, Frances Hinze and Carolyn Rapsilver decorated the banquet hall and many members provided desserts. Rita Breitbach provided decorations for the church and narthex.

To learn more about the Catholic Daughters of the Americas please visit the National website at www.catholicdaughters.org or Texas at www.texasda.org.



Back Row: Carolyn Malik, Second Vice State Regent, Shiner; Carolyn Bachmann, State Regent, Scotland; Libby Ramirez, National Regent Elect, Victoria; Sheila Martinka, First Vice State Regent, Pasadena; Faye Melnar, DD# 34, Victoria.
Front Row: Sandy Myhre, Saint Elizabeth Financial Secretary, Sealy; Carolyn Rapsilver, St. Elizabeth Regent, Sealy; Mona Norris, St. Elizabeth Vice Regent, Sealy; Frances Bollom, St. Elizabeth Recording Secretary, Sealy.



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Bachmann, State Regent- Rapsilver, Court Regent