



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS of the AMERICAS (CDA)

All women of the parish are invited to join our Catholic Daughters Court Sacred Heart #2104. We usually meet the third Tuesday of every month in the Social Hall at 7 PM from September through June. Meetings include a business portion, food, fellowship and spirituality. Some of the activities that we put on for the parish include the Baked Potato Blast, the Christmas Bake Sale, Dinners for Eight, and the Easter Egg Hunt. We also help with Prayer, Bread & Soup, Pentecost in the Park and at the Knights' Food Stand during the Lentil Festival. We participate in Washington State Catholic Daughters activities, such as the biannual convention. As Catholic Daughters, we look to our Blessed Mother to guide us as we attempt to minister to our parish and the larger world.

Catholic Daughters is one of the oldest and largest organizations for Catholic Woman in the Americas. The organization was founded in 1903 in Utica, New York, as the National Order of the Daughters of Isabella. In 1921, the name was changed to Catholic Daughters of America. By 1925, the first court outside the United States was established in Cuba and, by 1954, the organization officially changed its name to Catholic Daughters of the Americas. Today, the organization has 75,000 dues paying members in 1,250 courts (local chapters) in the United States, Puerto Rico, Mexico, the Dominican Republic, Guam, and the Virgin Islands.

The Catholic Daughters' motto is "Unity and Charity." The purposes of the organization are to participate in the religious, charitable and educational Apostolates of the Church. Catholic Daughters of the Americas engages in creative and spiritual programs which provide its members with the opportunity to develop their God-given talents in meaningful ways that positively influence the welfare of the Church and all people throughout the world. 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.

Any woman in the parish who is looking to grow in faith, friendship and volunteerism should contact **Mary Sutherland at 509-432-4832**. We look forward to meeting you!