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## The Essence of the Gospel



As we start a new year, it is appropriate that we begin with a reflection on the Daughters of the Holy Cross' commitment to evangelism. As we read the New Testament, we see the apostolic priority to bring the gospel to our world. The Apostle Paul writes in Romans:

*...if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."*

### Romans 10:9-13

This passage comes in the middle of a larger section of Paul's letter (chapters 9,10 &11) where Paul is grappling and grieving his own nation Israel's rejection of the gospel— this righteousness that comes by faith and not by the law. Paul says he would cut himself off from Christ, he would forfeit his own salvation, if only Israel would embrace the good news of God's reconciling love in Christ Jesus.

Paul crystalizes the essence of the gospel.

First and foremost, **it is about Jesus**. It is about his Lordship— "*if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord...*" He is supreme and sovereign over all, and God has vindicated his life and death on the cross through the resurrection. He is the centerpiece of the good news!

Secondly, this gospel **is a matter of the heart**. "*For it is with the heart one believes,*" says the apostle. Archbishop Thomas Cranmer understood this so well, as reflected in the Collect for Purity which he crafted for our worship: "*Almighty God, to you all hearts are open...cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit...*" The Christian life is an "inside job" which is dependent on the Spirit's work in our heart. We cannot merely convince or persuade someone of the truth of the gospel apart from the work of the Holy Spirit in a person's heart.

Thirdly, the gospel of Jesus Christ **levels the playing field**. Paul says, "*there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord is Lord of all.*" This is because now, in Christ, "*everyone who believes will not be put to shame.*" The gospel both exposes our shame and sets us free from our shame. The field is level because we are all in the same predicament...destined for shame. And the field is level because each and every one of us can be set free from that shame by believing in the person and work of Jesus. Indeed, the ground is level at the foot of the cross.

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## Our Rule of Life



Happy New Year! A new year brings new hope and a fresh start. Many people make New Year's resolutions but very few actually keep them – only about 9%. Research shows that 23% of people quit by the end of the first week, 64% after the first month. Those aren't very promising statistics and don't seem to bring much hope for success. What if

instead of starting something new – making a new resolution, what if this year we re-upped a commitment we have already made? What if all 1000+ Daughters reviewed and revised their Rule of Life - prayer, study, service and evangelism? Can you imagine the impact we would have on ourselves and those around us? Many of us wrote our Rule of Life when we became a Daughter and for some that may have been more than 11 years ago.

Our Candidate Study Manual says, "It gives us a path forward to a more fruitful Christian life. Following our Rule makes us able to receive what God in His mercy seeks to give us." Imagine us being open to receive what God seeks to give us and how we can bless others with what He gives us. Our Candidate Study Manual goes on to describe a Rule of Life in this way:

A Rule of Life is a list of spiritual disciplines that bring the various aspects of life into an increasingly intentional consideration of our Lord's will and direction for our lives. It is not a spiritual wish list but a realistic, attainable standard of what can be done. Each Daughter's Rule reflects the realities of

her own life. It should be carefully and prayerfully developed and reviewed; it can be revised as she grows. By slowly adding disciplines, her Rule provides the path forward for perfecting holiness as Scripture exhorts us to do (2 Cor. 7:1).

As Daughters we don't need to make a New Year's resolution, we need to live more fully into our Rule of Life. We don't have to do it on our own – we do it through the power of the Holy Spirit and in community with other Daughters. Because we are not relying on our own strength or will power, our chance of success is much greater. Please take some time this month to review your Rule of Life. If you can't find your original one, write a new one. It should be done prayerfully with the guidance of the Holy Spirit. One thing to keep in mind is that your Rule of Life should contain the things you already do in regard to prayer, study, service and evangelism but it also should include realistic ways for you to stretch and grow in each of these areas. If you need guidance writing your Rule of Life you can find the Candidate Study Manual on the website.

"We are called to live radically different from the world. Our lives will be transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit as we gaze upon and yield our lives to Jesus Christ, our perfect example." Let's live into what we have already committed to do in 2023 and see what the Lord has in store for us – what a joy to be doing this together with our sisters in Christ!

ICA,  
Shelly Sorem, President

### *Regional Gatherings Are Coming in the New Year*



Join us for our upcoming Regional Gatherings in South Carolina and Florida! At each of the gatherings there will be teaching by Shelly Sorem, fellowship, food, fun and a service project. It is a wonderful way to connect with other Daughters in your area.

The South Carolina gathering will be in **Bluffton at The Church of the Cross on Friday, February 10** from 6:00-8:30 pm and Saturday, February 11 from 9:00-3:00. Registration is open online and a block of rooms is available at The Holiday Inn Express.

In Florida we will be meeting at **Advent Christian Village in Dowling Park, FL** (which is halfway between Tallahassee and Jacksonville) **on Friday, April 21** from 6:00-8:30 and Saturday, April 22 from 9:00-3:00. Registration and more details are available online. I'm looking forward to meeting many of you in person at these two Regional Gatherings!

*O Gracious and Holy Father . . .*

## He's Got the Whole World in His Hands



During this Lenten Season we have heard wonderful sermons about hope. This hope is not like a wish for good weather for an event, or for a good job, or for a permanent drop in gas prices. No, this hope has a capital H. This Hope is based on our faith in God (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit) and His unflinching Love for us (with

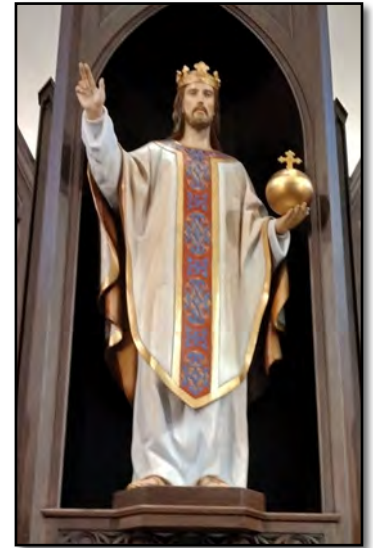
a capital L) . . . and for the entire world. It is the kind of Hope that we can place in a God who is sovereign and has control of His entire creation at all times; nothing takes Him by surprise. This is Hope that keeps us sane when the world and Western Civilization seem to be disintegrating. The Casting Crowns song, "Just Be Held," reminds us that "the world is not falling apart, it's falling into place," God's place, in the palm of His hand.

This is ever so comforting, but what are we to be doing in our current dark situation? We are to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, following, trusting, and obeying Him so that we can reflect His light into the darkness. Our Daughter's Prayer is perfect for this

situation, as we ask our holy and gracious Father to give us wisdom to perceive Him and His will, intelligence to understand what to do, diligence to seek Him in all things, and patience to get through this tough season. There is no safe place but in Him. May we behold Him in all His glory as we meditate on His immeasurable Goodness. Through all circumstances, may we proclaim His holy Name.

Gracious and Holy Father, may we, with all our hearts and minds pray: "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven," by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen

In Christ Alone,  
Barbara Mattick, Editor



## Celebrating Birthday Milestones



Please join the Provincial Council in wishing the following a very happy birthday to Daughters who are celebrating turning 80 or older.

We are asking for the year of birth so that we may recognize those members who are celebrating significant milestones. However, if you are not comfortable including the

year, would you still send us the month and date (although without the year, we won't know that you are celebrating a milestone birthday!)

There are a couple of reasons why your birthday might not be included above - either we don't have it in our database, or if you did send it in, the year wasn't included. If you'd like to have your birthday included, please email Linda DaSilva, Membership Chair, ([lindacaroline@bellsouth.net](mailto:lindacaroline@bellsouth.net)). She may also be reached via phone (678-910-9669).

### *Happy Birthday!*

#### **January**

Adelaide Ryall Beall (92)  
Barbara Byerly (86)  
Mary Jane Cheesman (88)  
Jacque Crosby (86)  
Margaret Pate Foster (90)  
Sharon Lynn Hartman (83)  
Freddie-Lu Saunders (92)

#### **February**

Eben Appleton (82)  
Lou Burrows (88)  
Patty Debenport (80)  
Carole Ferry (84)  
Barbara Hair (82)  
Gale Heritage (82)  
Elba Martinez (83)  
Fan Mowles (81)  
Mona Perkins (84)  
Martha Pike (82)  
Mary Pipes (84)

Kay Richardson (80)  
Elizabeth Salazar (83)  
Patricia Schellhase (83)  
Carol Shue (83)  
Lynne Womack (81)

#### **March**

Annie Blanc (80)  
Nita Burrer (80)  
Pat Covington (94)  
Ruthann Franklin (95)  
Mary Jane Mann (93)  
Lona Maupin (85)  
Lillie McGougan (91)  
Diane McNamara (83)  
Shirley Pool (93)  
Kathy Rohm (86)  
Jean Salter (93)  
Martha Tomerlin (84)  
Ellen Whitbread (80)  
Evelyn Wiblin (84)



# Provincial Treasurer's Report



## Important Changes Concerning Dues

Happy New Year! As this issue of *The Holy Cross* is going to print before fiscal year end, the fourth quarter Profit & Loss statement may be found on the Daughter's website under the News tab by mid-January.

Thanks to your faithfulness in paying annual dues, we currently have received dues from 76% of our members. If you've not yet had the opportunity to mail your dues in, or if your chapter did not receive their dues statement, please email me at [sshightx@gmail.com](mailto:sshightx@gmail.com) so that I might send you another dues statement. Over the next month, I will be sending out communication to those individuals and chapters that we've yet to receive dues from.

At the last Provincial Council meeting, several decisions were made regarding annual dues and enrollment fees.

Effective January 1, 2023, changes for new members include:

1. The combined enrollment fee/new members' dues have been reduced from \$85 to \$75. The revised Application for Membership form may be found on the website, under Resources, then Forms.
2. In the past, if women were installed after July 1, they would not pay dues the following year. Going forward, all new members will pay \$75, regardless of their installation date, and then pay annual dues (currently \$40) in January of the following year.

Since The Order operates on a calendar fiscal year, our finance chair recommended we collect dues in the year they are earmarked for. We will send out dues statement in the fourth quarter of 2023 for 2024 dues. Dues are to be paid each year by January 31 instead of October 1.

Please make sure you are using the forms found on the Daughters' website. These forms will always be the most current. Remember, if you are sending money, it goes to the Provincial Treasurer!

In Christ Alone,  
Sharon High  
Provincial Council Treasurer

## Daughters Represented at Synods!

Last quarter was the season for admissions. This quarter is the time for synods. The Daughters of the Holy Cross (pictured at left) had information tables at the synods, both held on the weekend of November 5, by the Diocese of the South at Holy Cross Cathedral at Logansville, GA; and the Gulf Atlantic Diocese at St. Peter's Cathedral (pictured at right) in Tallahassee, FL.



# ICA Fund Mission: Experiencing Joy and Enthusiasm in Rwanda



*The Faith in Christ Chapter recently sponsored Trish Gurney from All Saints Anglican Church in Peachtree City, GA, for a scholarship through the In Christ Alone Fund. The funds enabled Trish to travel with other All Saints parishioners to the Diocese of Kibungo to help build a church school. I am happy to share a letter and picture from Trish regarding her mission trip. It is such a blessing to see the ICA donations put to good work in the Lord's kingdom. Below is her report and an expression of thanks to the Order ~ Linda DaSilva*

## **Dear Daughters and Sisters in Christ,**

The parishioners of the Diocese of Kibungo are so appreciative of all they receive and are wonderful and industrious stewards of all offerings they get.

It is such a joy to see such enthusiasm for Christ and happiness in worship. We witnessed at least 200 people confirmed in their faith by Bishop Emmanuel Ntazinda. All received three books: a Book of Common Prayer, a Hymnal, and a Bible.

The Rwandan people are skilled workers with brick, mortar, and stone. Our group of four did our best to pass bricks and water, mortar and stone, and let them do what they have knowledge of. One lesson I learned from watching them work is that it is a good metaphor for mission work. Try to fill a need, but not to try to change the local culture. To give and step back and watch trusted people create what works in their world and the way they give glory to God.

Thank you for all the support and generosity you have extended to me. Since the diocese was generous in our care, I was able to donate \$200 [to the project] in The Order of the Daughters of the Holy Cross' name. These funds went very far towards putting glass windows in the church we plastered.

When a woman came forward to accept Christ as her Lord and Savior, the Bishop allowed me to give her a gift of \$20 in the Order's name so that she could know that we are all sisters in the love of Jesus.

I will never forget this remarkable experience and hope to be of help again in the future.

Sincerely,

Trish Gurney





# Chapter Corner

## Faithful Daughters Chapter Forms in Baltimore



The first chapter of the DHC in the state of Maryland was installed Sunday, October 9, 2022, at the **Faith Reformed Episcopal Church, Baltimore**. The **Faithful Daughters Chapter** was mentored through their Discernment Process by the Elizabeth Chapter from St. Timothy's (St. Tim's) Anglican Church, Summerville, SC, via Zoom. Four members of the Elizabeth Chapter went to Baltimore in support of the Faithful Daughters and to present them to the Bishop for admission and institution. This Chapter is especially unusual for having among its members the Priest's wife, two daughters, a daughter-in-law, and the Bishop's wife in its initial Discernment Class.

L-R Row 1: Kay Travinski, (St. Tim's), Chee Cox, Shirley Fisher; Row 2: Wynne Boone (St. Tim's), Allison Jenkins, Emily Marble, Sandy Alsrue, Megan Bohlen. Row 3: Margaret Weaver (St. Tim's), Jan Gillin, Janet Brasfield (St. Tim's), Kim Jenkins; Row 4: Bishop R. Charles Gillin the Very Rev. Canon William Jenkins



The Faithful Daughters Service project was making fleece lap robes which they gave to a nursing home. The project was so successful, and they had such joy at the prospect of sharing the Lord's Love to more people, that they just kept making them!

### Essence of the Gospel, *from page 1*

Finally, we can see that **the gospel demands a response**. Paul writes, *"everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."* The response God desires from us is not better performance, but that we simply come to him, call on him, even cry out to him. This is the first and continual step of enjoying the riches he desires to pour out upon us, this life-giving relationship with him.

It's no wonder that, earlier in this epistle, Paul was able to say that he was *"not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God unto salvation for everyone who believes."* This is the very treasure the Lord has entrusted to us as his children, ambassadors and ministers. May he give us grace to steward well the riches of the gospel of Jesus Christ in this new year.

*Bishop David Bryan, Chaplain*

# Chapter Corner

## Ruth Chapter Updates, Saint James Anglican Church, Charleston, SC

Although our congregation will have to leave the property where our beloved church has been for 302 years, we are grateful that God continues to bless us with worthy activities to honor our vows.

The picture shows some of our members who gathered for our annual project of preparing “We-Are-Thankful-for-You Baskets.” We give

them to designated parishioners who have served our church well but are enduring a difficult time (e.g., death of loved ones, serious illness, etc.) or who are not able to continue to worship regularly with us. Daughters personally deliver the baskets to add a verbal expression of thanks as well. In December we will prepare plates of baked goods to give members of our church staff.

We are grateful for the updated 2022 DHC materials used for training candidates who are now in a period of final discernment before taking their vows in the



early part of 2023. Their project was unique and purposeful. They painted rocks of various shapes and sizes with Scripture and/or Christian symbols and will place them throughout the church campus on behalf of the new Episcopalian congregation arriving to take ownership of Saint James.

We continue to provide emotional support through letters and a monthly love offering to a young woman recently released from federal prison. Throughout her five-year period of incarceration, we corresponded with her and greatly admired her spiritual growth.

Ruth Chapter members are looking forward to sharing time with other Daughters at a newly formed Diocesan organization of local chapters as well as participating in an upcoming regional DHC weekend conference.

Virginia B. Bartels



## Daughters of Hope Chapter, Baton Rouge, LA, Spreads Christmas Joy

The Daughters of Hope Chapter at Holy Cross Anglican Church, Baton Rouge, LA spread some Christmas joy to two local families. They were able to provide gifts to these two families through The Life of A Single Mom organization.



## Journeys to Becoming A Daughter

**Becky Bergren** completed her period of discernment with the **St. Elizabeth of Hungary Chapter, Church of the Holy Spirit (Anglican), Tulsa, Oklahoma.** Because she moved prior to her admission, she was admitted as a Daughter at Large on October 5, 2022, at HIS Church Anglican, Livonia, Michigan, by the Reverend Canon Allen Kannapell. She was presented by Kay King of Faith Chapter, Christ

the King, St. Augustine, Florida. Kay and Becky attend church in Livonia as they both summer in Michigan. Becky and her husband Karl have since moved on to Charleston, SC, and had not established themselves in a parish there at the time of her admission. Becky's admission was truly a blessing to have been experienced.

Kay King, Faith Chapter



## Sisters of Hope Chapter , Crawfordville, FL, Spreads Christmas Cheer and Welcomes Three New Daughters

The **Sisters of Hope** at Christ Church Anglican in Crawfordville, FL, admitted three new daughters. On Sunday, November 20, Hannah Hendersen, Renee Sasson Mazey and Sherry Kuersteiner received their crosses. Their discernment project was putting on a worship service at the Wakulla County Senior Center. They also brought gifts for the seniors, to bring in the Christmas spirit to the residents at the seniors' Wakulla Trace apartments. Our chaplain, Deacon Preston Colangelo officiated. We were blessed to have beautiful music from Father Jim Needham, and his wife Chris, who is a newly transferred-in Daughter.

In Christ Alone, Ann Allshouse, DHC



Gift bags ready to go to the Senior Center



Deacon Preston Colangelo speaks with residents of the Senior Center



Chris Needham, Deacon Colangelo and Fr. Jim Needham



# Chapter Corner

## St. Helena Chapter at Christ Church, Midland, TX Service Project with Teen Challenge



Teen Challenge staff and chapter members



St. Helena Daughters who participated in Service project dinner

The St. Helena Chapter at Christ Church Anglican in Midland TX is blessed to support the Midland Adult and Teen Challenge Center (TC) . Adult and Teen Challenge provides Christian, faith-based residential care to young people and adults who struggle with life-controlling problems. The program is typically 12- 14 months long and consists of individual and group Biblical Studies, work projects, and education. During the year, Christ Church partners with the TC through monthly healing prayer services, fellowship dinners for graduates, providing work for the men and women enrolled in the program, and offering one on one mentoring. Since 2020, the Daughters of the St. Helena chapter have chosen, as our service project, to support and thank the women's center by providing a Christmas dinner celebration. Starting in October, our chapter collects contributions for gift cards to present to the women so that they may purchase Christmas gifts for their loved ones. At our meetings, we plan the evening, and separate into teams for cooking, welcoming, decorating, etc. On December 4, the women and staff of TC were welcomed with Wassail and fellowship, followed by a formal dinner. The evening then continues as the congregation joins with the ladies and DHC chapter for a Christmas program, which consists of a holiday message and Christmas carols sung by a local a-cappella choir, Voces Dei. The evening ends with prayer

and the distribution of the gift bags, cards, books and flowers. We are blessed by these women who have suffered many trials and have turned to the Lord in new found faith, love and redemption. They show us how to be thankful for the blessings we receive each day and to turn to God in all things.

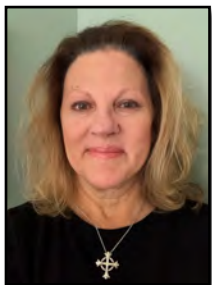
Dian Ray, President  
St. Helena Chapter,  
Christ Church Anglican,  
Midland, TX

### **All Saints Anglican, Monroe, LA Welcomes New Member**

I am excited announce the installation of Deanna Gatwood into the Daughters of the Holy Cross! The Rt. Rev. Ryan Reed, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth, lead our installation service on November 13th at **All Saints Anglican Church in Monroe, LA.**

In Christ Alone,  
Maggie Rollins  
St. Hildegard Chapter, All Saints Church,  
Monroe, LA

# ☒ Membership Report ☒



2023 has arrived and I wish you all a Happy New Year! I have always looked forward to the new year and the peaceful rest I enjoy after the hustle and bustle of the Christmas season, full of beautiful church services, parties, family gatherings, and, of course, a big meal! It is also a time for me to reset, and shift focus from my endless “to do” lists to that

of thanksgiving for and appreciation of family, friends, and my beloved sisters in Christ.

Since the last newsletter, the Order has admitted 24 new members. The chapters welcoming new members were: Rose of Sharon (1 – Modesto, CA), St. Helena (7 – Midland, TX), Solus Christus (4 – Ocala, FL), St. Hildegard (1 – Monroe, LA), Sisters of Hope (3 – Crawfordville, FL), Esther (6 – Bluffton, SC), and St. Anna (2 – Johns Island, SC). There are currently two chapters in the formation process: at Christ Church Anglican in Savannah, GA, and at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in Blue Ridge, GA. The Order is also blessed to have 39 candidates at some stage of their period of study and discernment. Please keep these ladies and their mentors in your prayers. The Esther Chapter of SC deserves an additional mention, as they will be hosting our Regional Gathering in February. I hope to see many of you there.

Our Membership Liaisons are contacting chapter presidents to verify communication preferences and other data regarding their chapter members. We are also in the process of performing a cleanup to our membership records to include archiving inactive (those owing two or more years of dues), resigned members and dissolved chapters, and putting a couple of chapters on

provisional status. If you are not sure whether you are current with your dues, please contact Sharon High, our Provincial Treasurer, or me and we will be pleased to assist you.

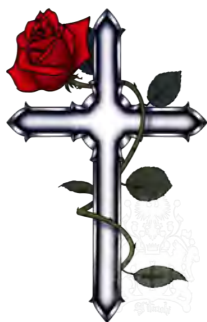
My chapter, Faith in Christ in Fayetteville, GA, has often discussed the importance of our monthly chapter meetings. This topic is covered in the DHC Handbook for good reason. Our chapter is blessed to have Daughters who are committed to meeting regularly to pray, study (we are currently studying Kristi McLelland’s “Jesus and Women”), occasionally sing or caterwaul (depending upon your view), share each other’s burdens, and grow in our love as sisters in Christ and as Daughters of the Holy Cross. At our chapter’s annual Advent party last month, I shared a reading from the devotional “Our Daily Bread,” which referenced Galatians 6:2 “*Carry each other’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.*” We are not the only chapter whose Daughters have serious challenges, but we all agree that when we come together for our monthly meeting and share our burdens, our loads lighten, our tears flow, and our hearts sing with thanksgiving and joy!

On this note, I shall sign off with a question that was posed to me. What do you do in your chapter meetings? Do you have an incredible bible study you would recommend to other chapters? What new and exciting service project have you completed? I know others would be interested in what our chapters are doing, so please, call or email me. I’d love to chat!

In Thanksgiving and In Christ Alone,

Linda H. DaSilva  
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## In Loving Memory of Daughters



*We remember the following dear members of The Order of the Daughters of the Holy Cross who have recently died. Our thoughts and prayers go out to their families and to Daughters who knew them.*

*Allene Wilson, Lifetime Member, May 11, 2022*

*Priscilla “Pat” Stevens, Trinity Chapter, (FL) August 22, 2022*

*Phyllis Schmitt, Trinity Chapter (FL), November 2, 2022*

*Emogene Christie, St. Anna Chapter, December 3, 2022*

*Note: Dates shown are the dates when the notice of death was received and recorded in the DHC Membership database. They may not necessarily correspond to the actual date.*



# Where Do I Send ...?

With a new Provincial Council elected in May, we also have a change in where to send different forms. Hopefully, the following will be helpful.

Please make sure you are using the forms found on the website as they have been updated to reflect the correct addresses to send forms.

## Send the following forms to Sharon High, Treasurer

- Additional/Replacement Cross Form
- Annual Dues Payment (please include Dues Statement)
- Application for Membership\*
- Donation/Gift Form (including donations to the In Christ Alone Fund)
- Dues Scholarship
- Lifetime Membership

*\* While the Application for Membership form is a membership form, it is sent to the Treasurer as it is typically sent with the new member dues/enrollment fees.*

## Send the following forms to Linda DaSilva, Membership Chair

- Application for Chapter Charter
- Change of Officers
- Disposition of Cross form (if you'd like the Order to retain a copy)
- Intent for Candidate Training Form
- Intent to Create a Chapter
- Project Report Form

- Training Session Attendance Form
- Transition Form

## Send the following forms to Cindee Herlocker, Finance Chair

- Chapter Service Project Grant Request
- In Christ Alone Grant Application

Remember, **if you are sending money**, even if you are sending it along with forms that go to the Membership Chair, **please send it to the Provincial Treasurer**. Acceptable forms of payment are checks (written to DHC), Zelle or bill pay. **PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH!**

**Send newsletter articles, photos and suggestions to Barbara Mattick, Editor**, email [barbaramattick@comcast.net](mailto:barbaramattick@comcast.net), text (850) 322-2300, or mail: 6605 Man O War Trail, Tallahassee, FL 32309.

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## Daughters at Large Report

There are almost 50 DHC members registered as Daughters at Large (DAL). Daughters at Large are members who are not associated with a local or virtual chapter. Most DAL joined the order as chapter members and subsequently moved to an area where there was not a DHC chapter or their chapter was dissolved due to a decline in membership. The current Provincial Council would like to encourage all DAL members to become involved with a virtual chapter or an existing chapter in their area. Virtual Chapters normally meet monthly via a conference call or virtual meeting application. They support each other in prayer, study together,

and even participate in service projects. I am currently contacting all DAL by email, phone or mail so that I might get to know all of our DAL and invite them to attend our regional gatherings. We are currently looking for DAL members to join Virtual chapters, if you would like to learn more, please give me a call or drop me an email.

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**Deadline for the April-June, 2023 issue is May 15, 2023.**

*(Please submit articles as Word documents and photos/images as .jpg files, if possible)*

Please submit articles and photos for publication in *The Holy Cross* to the Editor of the Holy Cross,  
Barbara Mattick at: [barbaramattick@comcast.net](mailto:barbaramattick@comcast.net).  
Or Barbara Mattick, 6605 Man O War Trail, Tallahassee FL 32309

## *Mark Your Calendars!*

### **DHC Regional Gatherings**

Bluffton, SC February 10-11  
Dowling Park, FL April 21-22

*Registration on website*



...clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness,  
humility, gentleness and patience.

Colossians 3:12

### *Save the Date*

September 12-15, 2024

## **DHC Provincial Assembly 2024**

*Ridgecrest Conference Center  
Ridgecrest, NC*