

2018

**DAUGHTERS OF
THE HOLY CROSS**

**THIRD PROVINCIAL
ASSEMBLY**

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SERVICE PROJECTS



Welcome to the Third Assembly of The Order of the Daughters of the Holy Cross. Daughters will gather for the next four days for worship, prayer, teaching, fellowship and yes, fun!

We are blessed to have Archbishop Foley Beach as our Celebrant for the opening Holy Eucharist on Thursday evening as well as our Keynote speaker on Friday.

Our chaplain, Bishop Don Harvey, will also be here and is looking forward to meeting as many of you as he can. Our logo reflects our journey as Jesus answers our call to lead us through the darkness into the light.

This is an update from the booklet distributed at the 2018 Assembly. The following samples of "Service Projects", from 2018 and 2019, are listed in alphabetical order according to project. The name of the Daughter's Chapter and Church are listed beneath each project.

A -

ASSISTANCE FOR TEACHERS

This project assisted five teachers of the Therapeutic Learning Center by providing supplies for students. With a list of supplies provided by the Center many items, including two gift cards, were purchased by the chapter members and given to the Center prior to school start-up in August.

**DAUGHTERS OF GRACE
GRACE ANGLICAN PARISH, N. MYRTLE BEACH, SC**

AWARENESS OF DHC

In Canada many churches, clergy and women of the ANiC churches, are not aware of the DHC. The purpose of this project is to visit different churches, communities and women to present information about the Order. With God's help, perhaps some of these women will be drawn into the Order with the intent to eventually establish new Chapters.

**DAL
FAITH ANGLICAN CHURCH, ON**

B - BAGS

ACTIVITY BAGS

The chapter members assembled and provided each child in Church an activity to do during the service. Bags contained age appropriate books, writing tables, pencils, crayons, stuffed toys and dolls.

**HOLY FAMILY
HOLY FAMILY ANGLICAN CHURCH, HENDERSONVILLE, TN**

BLESSING BAGS

One-gallon zip lock bags (marked for male/female) were filled with toiletry items and small non-perishable food items to be given to the homeless and needy. Members of the chapter delivered the bags to Tomball Emergency Assisted Ministries (TEAM) to be disbursed as needed.

DAUGHTERS OF HONOR

ST. TIMOTHY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, SPRING, TX

BAGS - HOLY WEEK

This was a community outreach to neighborhood families to make them aware of the presence of the church. Craft bags were decorated, filled with information about the Church, Holy Week schedules and a personal invitation to attend services. Bags were delivered to forty-eight neighborhood homes.

DAUGHTERS OF IONA

ST. MICHAEL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, GALLATIN, TN

BAPTISMAL BANNERS

These unique banners, presented to children when they are baptized at The Church of the Cross, are meant to be visible reminders of spiritual truths not yet fully comprehended, but real none the less. At the top is the name by which the child is known - it's his/her Christian name and at the bottom is the date of the child's baptism. The chapter now has the ownership of making these beautiful Baptismal Banners for their church. The significance and importance of the project enhanced their joy of becoming members of the Daughters of the Holy Cross.

ESTHER

CHURCH OF THE CROSS, BLUFFTON, SC

ROMANS 12:1

"Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God – this is your true and proper worship."

B - BOOKMARKS

To encourage Bible reading and time for prayer, the chapter members made bookmarks with scrapbook materials, stamping, cutting and laminating supplies. The bookmarks were distributed to members of the church and guests and were also enclosed with a note mailed to shut-ins.

**ST. JOHN'S ANGLICAN DHC
ST. JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, PETALUMA, CA**

C - CAMP HOPE

The purpose of this project was to reach out to veterans of the PTSD community at Camp Hope. Professional clothing such as suits, shirts, ties and shoes to be worn for job interviews were collected. In one week, 18 suits and other items were collected!

**GRACE DAUGHTERS OF THE HOLY CROSS
GRACE ANGLICAN COMMUNITY, KATY, TX**

CARE PACKAGES

Packages for college students and shut-ins were made to ensure both groups were remembered by the church so that they would feel connected. The packages contained various items including prayer cards and were mailed to students before scheduled exams. Several of the shut-ins from the parish had packages delivered to them and were very appreciative.

**HOLY COMMUNION DAUGHTERS
CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMMUNION, DALLAS, TX**

GALATIANS 5:13

*"You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free.
But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh;
rather serve one another humbly in love".*

CORRESPONDENCE COMMITTEE

Committee members mail cards to Church members, chapter members and people in the surrounding community. Through this ministry, all who receive cards will be encouraged and lifted up in prayers so that they will feel the love of the Lord. This will be an ongoing project.

FAITH THEOTOKOS

FAITH ANGLICAN CHURCH, CORDOVA, TN

D - DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ASSISTANCE

The purpose of this project was to bring a greater awareness of the needs of women who seek shelter from domestic violence. The chapter worked with parishioners to collect toiletries and personal items for the women of the YWCA Domestic Violence Shelter. Many chapter and church members were unaware of the Shelter's presence in Sumter. Now being aware of the ongoing needs, this is a project that will continue.

ST. MARY & ST. MARTHA

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS, SUMTER, SC

F - FIRE VICTIMS ASSISTANCE – MARIPOSA

Residents of Mariposa who lost their homes from the nearby wildfires were given clothing, food, blankets, pet food, and other necessities. The Sherriff from Mariposa picked up the items. This may become an ongoing project.

NAOMI'S DAUGHTERS

ST. NICHOLAS ANGLICAN CHURCH, ATWATER, CA

1 SAMUEL 12:24

"But be sure to fear the LORD and serve him faithfully with all your heart; consider what great things he has done for you."

G - GATEHOUSE IN GRAPEVINE

The Gatehouse is a Christian based community which provides a safe refuge for women and children in crisis. Our chapter provided and served a large Italian meal for the weekly Resident Support group. Members interacted with the residents which opened up more opportunities for volunteer services.

**EPIPHANY CHAPTER
ST. STEPHENS, HURST, TX**

GRIEF SHARE

The purpose of this project is to reach those in need of processing through their grief of experiencing the loss of a loved one. Through her own grief, this member began this ministry to be of service to God for the building of His Kingdom. The program consists of weekly meetings for parishioners and anyone in the community. It includes healing through group therapy and a way to identify how God speaks to each part of grief. This project will hopefully evangelize those who are grieving and do not know Jesus as their Lord and Savior.

**DAUGHTERS OF HONOR
ST. TIMOTHY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, SPRING, TX**

H - HOME VISITATION

This project was organized to bring the word of Jesus Christ to parishioners who are shut-ins and to others who, due to illness or aging, cannot attend church on a regular basis. Gift bags were filled with comfort items and were given to each parishioner who was visited.

**MARY MAGDALENE
CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMFORTER, SUMTER, SC**

JOHN 12:26

"Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me"

L - LIBRARY – CHURCH

This project established a library in the church aimed at all ages of parishioners including small children, teens and adults. Items include religious texts such as Anglican history, books of the Apocrypha, prayer books, etc.

HOLY FAMILY

HOLY FAMILY ANGLICAN CHURCH, HENDERSONVILLE, TN

LOVE FOSTERS HOPE

This project provided Christmas gifts to children who had recently been aged out of the Foster Care System. A list of gifts was provided by LFH and was distributed to the congregation. The chapter members organized the gifts, put them into gift bags and brought them to the director of LFH for distribution prior to their Christmas party.

DAUGHTERS OF HOPE

HOPEPOINTE ANGLICAN CHURCH, THE WOODLANDS, TX

LUNCHEON – ANGLICAN WOMEN’S INVITATIONAL

Introduction of The Order to women of other local Anglican churches and to enjoy intra-parish fellowship. The program included an introduction from the chapter’s chaplain, explanation of the DHC history and purpose, singing, worship and prayer. Plans are to make this an annual event.

ALL SAINTS SAN ANTONIO

ALL SAINTS ANGLICAN, SAN ANTONIO, TX

ROMANS 7:6

“But now, by dying to what once bound us, we have been released from the law so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit, and not in the old way of the written code.”

M – MEMORIAL SERVICE

Three new members chose to plan and lead a Memorial service with music for a parishioner of their church who had passed away. The service was held at the senior facility where the parishioner had been a resident. One of the new chapter members is a Chaplain who conducted the service and other members led the music. Family, friends and the social director of the facility were very grateful for this service.

**DAUGHTERS IN CHRIST ALONE
ST. MARK'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, LOOMIS, CA**

P - PANCAKE DINNER - SHROVE TUESDAY

Our chapter hosted the Shrove Tuesday Pancake dinner for the church and members of the community. We received food donations for the church's food pantry.

**GRACE CHAPTER
ST. BARNABAS ANGLICAN, JACKSONVILLE, FL**

PARISH OUTREACH

This new chapter undertook a parish outreach to assist the clergy in ministering to the needs of parishioners in need. Meals and transportation were provided as well a hospital visits with prayer.

**MARY MAGDALENE
CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION, ROCK HILL, SC**

PONCHOS

This chapter provided ponchos for children who walk to local schools. With donations collected, members were able to purchase 100 ponchos which were given to the administration of Steel Elementary school to distribute to students in need.

**ANGELS OF GRACE CHAPTER
GRACE ANGLICAN CHURCH, GALESBURG, IL**

JOB 22:27

*"You will pray to him, and he will hear you,
and you will fulfill your vows."*

PRAYER RETREAT

A women's prayer retreat was held for the purpose of identifying different types of prayer, the purpose of prayer and recognizing answered prayers. Some of the sources used were from Henri Nowen and Phillip Yancey. At the end of the retreat, members gave brief testimonies of how God answered prayers in their lives.

ST. MARY THE VIRGIN CHAPTER

ST. MARY THE VIRGIN ANGLICAN CHURCH, DELRAY BEACH, FL

PRAYER SUPPORT FOR CENTURION PROJECT

Members attended a dinner and special Eucharist service along with the participants of the ACNA Jurisdiction of the Armed Forces and Chaplaincy.

GRACE CHAPTER

ST. BARNABAS ANGLICAN, JACKSONVILLE, FL

PURSES

The first three members of this chapter collected and filled used purses for homeless and abused women. The purses were filled with various hygienic items as well as copies of Our Daily Bread issues. As these members live in different locations, they delivered the purses to shelters in their areas which are: The Women's Shelter in Phoenix, AZ, the Covenant Church in Ft. Collins, CO and a shelter in Loveland, CO.

IN CHRIST ALONE VIRTUAL CHAPTER

HOPEPOINTE ANGLICAN CHURCH, THE WOODLANDS, TX

DEUTERONOMY 11:13

" And it shall come to pass, if ye shall hearken diligently unto my commandments which I command you this day, to love the LORD your God, and to serve him with all your heart and all your soul."

S - SANCTUARY RESTORATION

After some major construction changes were made to the Sanctuary, cleanup of all areas of the Sanctuary, as well as the church kitchen, was needed to get ready for an upcoming clergy retreat. As the church does not have janitorial services, the chapter did a thorough cleaning and reorganization of the areas. On an as-needed basis, this will be an on-going project.

**ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY
CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, TULSA, OK**

SERVICE - SPECIAL EVENTS

The priest of St. Timothy's asked this new DHC chapter to assist with special events. This includes the coordination, organization and implementation of special events to be held at the Church. The first event was a Confirmation reception when the Bishop visited. Two chapter members were elected leaders to do the planning and organization of food, set-up and clean-up. A plan implemented and involved parish members as well. An upcoming event will be the Ordination of one of their Deacons. These members are looking forward to being of service to St. Timothy's, the DHC and our Lord.

**ELIZABETH CHAPTER
ST. TIMOTHY'S CANE BAY, SUMMERVILLE, SC**

SHOEBOX MINISTRY

A collection of clothing and hygiene products were given to the less fortunate to provide them with comfort. Shoeboxes were filled with these items and given out locally.

**SAINT HILDA OF WHITBY
LIVING FAITH ANGLICAN, TEMPE, AZ**

MARK 10:45

"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

SHOES – THE POWER OF SHOES (*Society of Women Who Love Shoes*)

The chapter provided a light breakfast, followed by a presentation from the founder of this society. She told her personal story of domestic abuse and why she started this society. New or gently used shoes and clothing were collected and given to a local women's shelter.

DAUGHTERS OF HONOR

ST. TIMOTHY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, SPRING, TX

SPICEY GROVE YOUTH CENTER – JAMAICA

Loving Our Youth – "All are precious in His sight" is a project to provide educational supplies utilized to further the children's education and to share Gods' love. Backpacks were filled with supplies defined as needed by the Administrator of the Youth Center. Photos of chapter members and encouraging notes from the chapter candidates with the Scripture 1 John 4:19 will be placed in the backpacks. One of the new chapter members visits the Center yearly and will assess ways to continue to reach out to the children.

ESTHER CHAPTER

CHURCH OF THE CROSS, BLUFFTON, SC

T - THE CHILDREN'S SHELTER OF SAN ANTONIO

The chapter donated comfort items and also provided prayer support. It allowed them to serve 'the least of these' and gave them the opportunity to evangelize.

ALL SAINTS SAN ANTONIO

ALL SAINTS ANGLICAN CHURCH, SAN ANTONIO, TX

1 CORINTHIANS 9:19

"For though I be free from all men, yet I have made myself servant."

V - VISITOR WELCOMING COMMITTEE

With a team, this project is to create a process to welcome and connect visitors to the Church. The process will include assigning greeters, how to welcome visitors, how to capture visitor's contact information and a plan to follow-up with each visitor.

FAITH THEOTOKOS

FAITH ANGLICAN CHURCH CORDOVA, TN

W - WOMEN'S RETREAT

This retreat brought together all the women of All Saints for fellowship, healing and growth in the word of God. The day was filled with coloring, worship music, Lectio Divina prayer and personal quiet time with the Lord. Women prayed for each other and several found healing in their lives.

ALL SAINTS SAN ANTONIO

ALL SAINTS ANGLICAN CHURCH, SAN ANTONIO, TX

y - "YES JARS"

This project was to provide "Yes Jars" for foster families of the Restoration Rome family Center in Rome, GA to give them assistance for their foster children. "Yes Jars" with items such as small toys and healthy snacks were requested. The parishioners of St. Andrews helped the chapter by providing some of the items. Twenty "Yes Jars" were filled and additional items were donated as well. This will be an on-going project.

ST. MONICA DHC

ST. ANDREWS ANGLICAN CHURCH, ROME, GA

MATTHEW 25:40

"And the King will say, 'I tell you the truth, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me!'"

SCRIPTURE IS CLEAR ABOUT BEING A SERVANT

ISAIAH 6:8

“Then I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?” Then I said, “Here am I. Send me!”

PROVERBS 11:25

“Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered.”

ROMANS 12:9-13

“Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with God’s people who are in need. Practice hospitality.”

LUKE 6:35

“But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil.”

MATTHEW 23:11

“The greatest among you will be your servant.”

EPHESIANS 2:10

“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.”

SERVICE

SERVICE is one of the Order's four-fold vow that we take as Daughters. ***Let the Lord lead you, and your chapter, into the service that He is calling you to.***

The intent of this booklet is to share the information and the possibilities that are available to each chapter.

For questions, please feel free to contact the Provincial Membership Chairperson or the Provincial Chapter Coordinator. To inquire about a Daughter At Large, contact the Provincial DAL Coordinator.



RULE OF SERVICE

A MEMBER OF THE ORDER SEEKS DAILY TO DO THE WILL OF GOD WHERE SHE IS REMEMBERING JESUS' WORDS:

“INASMUCH AS YOU HAVE DONE IT UNTO THE LEAST OF THESE MY CHILDREN, YOU HAVE DONE IT UNTO ME” (MATT. 25:40).

TO WHAT SERVICE IS GOD CALLING YOU?