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## THE 2018 ASSEMBLY

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The dates for the next Assembly were proposed at the January 2016 Provincial Council meeting. The Assembly will be September 13-16, 2018, and the theme, Lead Me O Lord, taken from Psalm 5:8, was decided at the June 2016 Provincial Council meeting. The agenda that is in the process of being developed uses those dates, arriving on Thursday and leaving after the installation service on Sunday. These dates include Holy Cross Day on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September. The location has not yet been decided.

*If you have not yet started to save your money to attend the Assembly, start saving now!!!! Chapters, plan to send a delegate to represent you at the Assembly.*

## FROM THE WEBMASTER By Sue Klos

I have received several submissions recently for the News page. I hope each of you is periodically checking this and other pages for information about the Order. As mentioned in another article we will be launching another page linked from Resources soon. Also, please contact me at webmaster.org to let me know if something is not working for you. Computers and printers vary greatly in how they interpret the internet.

I would also like to suggest that you are diligent in filling out the "Transition Form" when your address or other contact information changes so you will continue to receive your newsletter. Your information goes into the database which is seen only by the Membership Committee and is the primary way we have of getting in touch with you.



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## HOLY CROSS DAY GREETINGS

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My Dear Daughters of the Holy Cross,

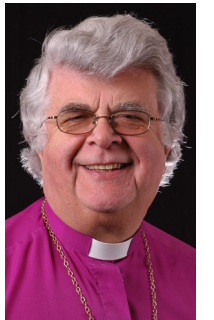
On this Day of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (and I gather the seventh anniversary of your founding), I send you all greetings in the Name of the One who turned this instrument of shame and death, into the glorious symbol of our salvation.

May God continue to enrich each one of you and may the cross that was traced on our foreheads at Baptism continue to reflect in the lives we live.

HIS – In hoc signo – in this sign conquer!

Your Chaplain and friend,

+Donald

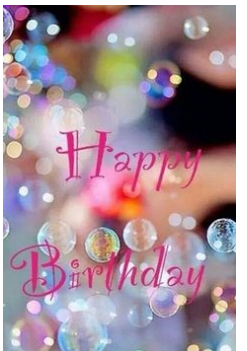


## HAPPY BIRTHDAY, DAUGHTERS OF THE HOLY CROSS

The Order of the Daughters of the Holy Cross was instituted September 12, 2009, at Holy Cross Anglican Church in Loganville, Georgia. That date was chosen because it was during the weekend nearest Holy Cross Day (September 14).

"Some may wonder how we can be daughters of a cross. We are not daughters of a cross but of The Holy Cross. This unique singular cross is not just a material thing but represents the One who was crucified upon it and all He came to accomplish by means of it. At the Holy Cross, all are welcome, all are equal and equally loved, all must bow in humility. Because of the power of the Holy Cross as a symbol, The Order of the Daughters of the Holy Cross, Inc. becomes an all-encompassing name."

From the Order of the Daughters of the Holy Cross *Study Manual*



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**LOOKING FOR A DYNAMIC SPEAKER?** By Gail Cahill

Julie B Cosgrove, president of Redeemer Chapter in Fort Worth, has been chosen as one of the "50 Writers You Should Be Reading-2015" by the Author Show, a nationally syndicated radio show, and recently received the 2016 Best Religious Fiction Award by the Texas Association of Authors for her faith-based suspense romance, *Legitimate Lies*. Another novel of hers, *Freed to Forgive*, is a finalist in the Grace Awards for Contemporary Fiction 2016. She is currently contracted for a Christian cozy mystery series, *The Bunco Biddies Mysteries*. The first, *Dumpster Dicing*, launched in June, 2016.

Besides writing fiction, Julie also regularly writes devotional and inspirational articles for seven websites and publications, and has published several Bible studies. She has led numerous women's retreats and quiet days throughout Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas as well as conducted writers' workshops and lectures against human trafficking. As part of her Outreach project for DHC, she mentors disadvantaged women who show potential to be writers and public speakers. She has achieved the highest level of public speaking in Toastmasters, International, the Advanced Communication Gold. She is also the past president of her Diocesan Churchwomen's organization (2011-2015) and is the Altar Guild Directress at her parish, Christ the Redeemer Anglican.

**Life without God is like a broken pencil-pointless**

When asked why she writes, Julie stated, "I want people to discover God's presence in their day to day lives. Not all of us experience a burning bush, but our Precious Lord does tap us on our souls and lets us know He is there and He cares. I drop to my knees in humble praise when someone reads something I wrote and takes the time to tell me God spoke through my keyboard into their hearts. Most often, it is something I'd submitted for publications weeks, if not months, prior. Yet in His perfect timing, God knew that person needed to hear it when they read it. What a marvelous, personal and gracious Lord we serve." Her website is [www.juliebcosgrove.com](http://www.juliebcosgrove.com), and her blog is entitled *Where Did You Find God Today?*

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR DAUGHTERS**

In each issue of *The Holy Cross*, we want to recognize the passing of any of our dear Daughters who have passed away. When a member of your Chapter dies, or you know of a Daughter-at-Large who has died, please notify Gail Cahill, our Membership Chairperson. She will inform the Editor of *The Holy Cross*, and the member will be included in *The Holy Cross*.

At this time, we remember the following dear members of The Order of the Daughters of the Holy Cross, who have recently died, and our thoughts and prayers go out to their families and Daughters who knew them.

- Pat Bagwell, St. Mary's, Monroe, LA – Pat died Nov. 25, 2015
- Carol Seeks, Bishop's Chapter, Fresno, CA – Carol died July 21, 2016



**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Finance – Nancy Ford, Chairman: I trust you are aware that the 2013-2015 financial books were audited and no errors were found.

Timely submission of dues will help us create the budget for 2017. Don't forget to include Daughters in your bequests, estate planning, and In Christ Alone Fund donations. We are a 501C-3 organization, and therefore it is tax deductible if you itemize on your income tax.

Membership – Gail Cahill, Chairman: Have you noticed the Bible verses at the top of each of our forms on the website? I just love them especially Ephesians 4:16 found on the Application for Chapter Charter: *From Him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament grows and builds itself up in love, so each part does its own work.* Take a look at what God has done through our work: the new St. Hildegard chapter in Monroe, LA with 12 members was instituted on September 25<sup>th</sup>; three other chapters in formation who are in their discernment process; and three more possible

chapters. Here's a look at what else our loving and gracious God has blessed us with: since July 1<sup>st</sup> we have 42 new members and.....31 new candidates!! Exciting? It sure is! What a joy it is to serve Him. I hope that you will continue to share your joy of being one of His Daughters with others.

Chapter Highlights – Gail Cahill: As Chapter Presidents are aware, Loretta Baldwin (Chapter Chairperson) and I have requested information regarding chapter service projects. Here are a few highlights:

- St. Mary's (CA) - providing food (bagged lunches) and other necessities to the homeless and poor of HOPE Sanger;

**From Your Treasurer** By Ann Allshouse

As your new treasurer, I thought it time to report to you through our newsletter. Before I accepted this challenge, I had no idea what it took to run an international group.



I've been a faithful Daughter for 20 years (first as a Daughter of the King, and now as a Daughter of the Holy Cross) and hold it near and dear to my heart. As in any membership, dues payments help pay for our administrative costs. Your dues keep our Order going. We tithe ten percent every quarter to the Anglican Church in North America (ACNA).

Dues also pay for our office supplies for processing memberships, chapter charters, and shipping. Also, we have monthly expenses to keep a webpage available, and a virtual phone system. We print DHC brochures and flyers as well as the quarterly newsletter to help spread the word of our Order and distribute them at no cost to chapters or churches.

Twice a year we meet to hold each other accountable in the work of the Order. Planning an Assembly every three years is a lot of organizational work. So we meet to plan the best spiritual assembly with God's help. Without DHC travel help, most of us could not attend these much needed meetings. We are all volunteers but these planning meetings go beyond mere volunteering. It's a 24 hour commitment to do what's needed in the proper way, such as depositing checks ASAP, keeping track of In Christ Alone donations, and balancing our funds.

I'm grateful for our president, for having the patience to let new officers learn their positions. My nemesis was our Quicken program, and I'm relieved to finally figure out how to tell the program what I want in its own language! I can now easily get figures for a

- St. Luke's (OH) – "The Seven Last Words of Jesus" Lenten worship service;
- St. Teresa of Avila (NC) – collection of items for baby shower for The Pregnancy Resource Center of Charlotte (for mother's choosing life);
- The Wind of the Holy Spirit (CA) – volunteering in the local food pantry to feed the less fortunate of Coalinga. Other reports have been received but there are more than will fit in this newsletter.

These reports just "abound in good work". We hope to share your service projects on the website and will be working with our webmaster to accomplish that goal.

Quarterly report. Your prayers have worked, and I will continue to keep us fiscally healthy and guard the Lord's money.

**IN CHRIST ALONE FUND** By Mitzi Wilson

The In Christ Alone Fund (ICA) is the only fund that the Daughters of the Holy Cross provides to serve its members, Christian missionaries and other women or girls with grants to engage in on-site missionary work or training for missionary work. The ICA Fund is supported by donations from chapters, individual members, and friends, and so many grants have been granted recently, that the fund has an URGENT NEED FOR DONATIONS at this time. Please send a donation now so that the evangelism efforts by The Order of the Daughters of the Holy Cross will continue to be carried out as our Lord has directed us to do. "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Matthew 28: 19. See the Daughter's website for more information.



Please send donations to The Daughters of the Holy Cross, Treasurer, P. O. Box #1147 Crawfordville, FL 32326-1147. Make checks payable to Daughters of the Holy Cross, and include a note to state that the donation is for the In Christ Alone Fund, or write ICA Fund on the check memo line. Donations may be given in appreciation, in memory of someone, in thanksgiving, in honor of someone, or to the glory of God.