

The regular meeting of Court Immaculate Conception #322 was called to order by Regent Karen Selensky on January 6, 2026 at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit parish hall. Two officers were present. Twenty-four members attended. Father John Paul Gardner introduced the Klein family from Minot as prospective Junior Catholic Daughters members and led the rosary.

Laurie Swank was a guest and became a member.

Thank you letters from the Assumption Abbey and Lilian Seifert were passed around.

Hands were raised when asked by Regent Selensky who had received the Share Magazine.

Court Bishop Wehrle #1919 of Richardton is having their Festival of Tables Fundraiser which starts at noon mountain time on February 7, 2026 at St. Mary's Social Center with silent auction and door prizes. RSVP to Jessie Olson 701-429-3453 is needed by January 18. Lunch will be provided.

There was one correction to the Minutes, a name change – New Business: Lorie Seeger seconded to approve the 2026 budget.

Marella Krein asked the question of why we are using a small flag. Regent Selensky explained that the apparatus that John Berger built was too difficult to set up and the flag did not hang properly. We have limited storage space due to Fr. Ehli's request, so we decided to buy a smaller flag to use and store. The small flag cost \$32 with tax. There was a charge of \$20 to make a stand for the CDA banner and was listed as PVC on the report.

Marella Krein also asked about the memorial mass for Marge Schweitzer listed on the Treasurer's Report. Regent Selensky stated that the \$10 amount for memorial masses was added to the Standing Rules that were provided last month. Marella Krein stated that \$240.00 is given to Father John Paul Gardner every year for a mass to be said for all living members and all deceased members on a monthly basis. Regent Selensky stated they will remove that Standing Rule with the clarification that is also in the membership book. The Treasurer's Report was approved.

Regent Selensky stated that the \$25 membership dues could be paid to Treasurer Mary Ann Morford after the meeting.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Maddie Abbott, the JCDA leader, stated that the members of the JCDA sang at the Benedictine Living Community and it was greatly enjoyed by all. For their January meeting, they will be having a bible study and need 12 bibles. Regent Selensky said she would contact Joni Obrigewitch at the Cathedral office to get the bibles for them. They will also be making blankets. Their new JCDA banner was shown. Maddie Abbott asked what was decided for the sashes. Regent Selensky stated they can discuss this in more detail after the meeting. They will also be having a bake sale and need a place to have it. Regent Selensky suggested Spirit of Life parish in Mandan.

Regent Selensky stated that Molly Freidel has been great to work with in updating the website.

Puzzle Competition Update from Treasurer Mary Ann Morford. There are ten teams of 4 for the adult division, and 13 teams in the family division. The puzzles are shipping today and will be received in Bismarck on the 15<sup>th</sup>. The Eagles as stated in the December Treasurer's report donated \$200. We are looking at giving a portion of the proceeds to the Women's Care Center. Lunch will be "free will offering" for sloppy joes and pop. There are two shifts, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Five people are needed to bring two dozen cookies or bars. They can be dropped off on Saturday morning at Christ

the King Parish Hall or can be given to Mary Ann Worford by contacting her. Publicity for this event has been placed in church bulletins and on Facebook. Members are invited to come and watch.  
Cathedral Homebound Parishioner update - Regent Selensky said this will be tabled for now as no one from the Cathedral parish has been able to give her an update on getting addresses for the homebound.

Regent Selensky thanked Dan and Rose Mayo and Greg and Mary Ann Morford for taking down the nativity scene from the State Capitol.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Regent Selensky asked members if they received the State Regent's letter via email. There was a show of hands that did. She mentioned that the Circle of Love projects will need a chairperson for each area. The following members volunteered:

Leadership: Karen Selensky  
Family: Dorleen Wolbaum  
Quality of Life: Mary Ann Morford / ex. fundraisers and Coats for Kids  
Spiritual Enhancement: Delores Friedt  
Education: Will wait on this / ex: Junior Catholic Daughters  
Legislation: Virginia Dolajak  
Youth/JCDA: Maddie Abbott

Regent Selensky reiterated the importance of visiting our CDA inactive members. They all enjoy the company and conversations. This is part of our Buddy System.

Virginia Dolajak reported that the March for Life will be held at the State Capitol grounds on Sunday, January 18, 2026 at 2:00 pm. The speaker is David Tamasciea, Lawyer for Bismarck and Fargo Dioceses. Reception is to follow at the Zion Lutheran Church. In case of inclement weather, it will all be held at Zion Lutheran.

Michelle Duppong prayer cards were offered by Virginia Dolajak. A book about Michelle's life was written by Patti Armstrong. It can be purchased at Sophia Institute Press or locally. The name of the book is "Hope in the Depths of Suffering."

Regent Selensky reported that the CDA National Convention will be held in Coralville, Iowa July 22-26, 2026. In February, Regent Selensky will bring more details to sign up for the convention.

Members shared what was going on in their parishes for the month of January.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until the next meeting on Tuesday, February 3, 2026 beginning at 6:30 pm.

Lorri Lengenfelder