

# Catholic Daughters state court hold 44th Biennial convention

The Maryland State Court Catholic daughters of the Americas held their 44th Biennial State Convention May 4-6 at the Holiday Inn, BWI Airport Conference Center. The host court was St. Francis Xavier, Baltimore, who set the theme of "Smoot Sailing into the Future for Women Embracing the Gift of Humanity."

Some 150 Catholic Daughters convened to recommit and reinforce their motto of unity and charity.

"Thank the Lord for the gift of life that the Catholic Daughters of the Americas members are called by him to be modern disciples and to bring the Word of God to others through unity and charity," said Monsignor Francis Zorach, State Chaplain, who celebrated the installation Mass for newly elected officers.

The new Maryland State officers are Mary Elizabeth Byrd of court St. Bernadine, Baltimore, who will be the new state regent; Delease Ryce, court St. Francis Xavier, Baltimore, is the first vice state regent; the second vice state regent is Lisa Haynes from court Mary Francis; state secretary is Rita Siarkowski of court Marian and state treasurer is Nina Lindsey of court Mother Mary E. Lange.