



The Layette



Christ Child Society of Texas, Capital Area, Inc. December 2016 Newsletter

**December
2016**

NO CCS EVENTS - Dec 19 - Jan 2

Baby Stitches – on hiatus for December – will restart on **January 4, 2017**

CCS Bag Ladies meets Thursdays at the Cottage – 10am – 12pm - **December 1**, then take a few weeks off and start in the New Year on **January 5, 2017**

Yarnoholics at The Corner Bakery in RR every Friday – 10am – 12pm – **December 2, 9, 16 and Jan 6**

NO CCS Board Meeting
Go to CCS Christmas Party Instead!
Next **Board Meeting – Jan 3 – 1st**
Tuesday – 6:30pm at Joan Watkin's house – 1304 S Elm St, Georgetown

CCS Christmas Party
Dec 6 – 6:30pm-8:30pm
Community Rooms
Lake Aire Center, 2425 Williams Dr # 101, Georgetown, TX

SewMuchFun – Dec 5 – 1st Monday – 9am – St. Mary's Lago Vista (Bring a lunch!)

CCS Bag Ladies, Too will restart on **Saturday, January 14** at the Cottage – 9am – 12pm

DATE CHANGE ...
EFL 2017 Planning Meeting
Jan 18 – 3rd **Wednesdays** – 6:30pm at Julie's house – 2018 Red Oak Circle, Round Rock

Mary Virginia Merrick is a native of Washington, DC, founder of the National Christ Child Society and a candidate for canonization in the Catholic Church. Despite becoming paralyzed following a fall while a teenager, she transformed and inspired thousands of people through her deep love for the Christ Child and her Catholic faith.

Over one hundred and twenty five years ago, Mary's **act of love** for an unborn child started what is today the Christ Child Society. Mary's sincere and simple love of God inspired her to answer the desperate social needs she saw in the community around her.

Learn more about MVM at: <http://www.maryvirginiamerrick.org>

Our CCS chapter history began in 2001. A few transplanted CCS members from other areas of the country (Jan & Bob Huelskamp and Mary Urbanowski) banded together with a few newbies to CCS – Mickey Rowland, Lorraine Schuckman, LaVerne Rincken, Sue Green, Ruth Hlas, and Virginia Pargmann among others and helped start the Christ Child Society of Texas, Capital Area chapter. From our humble beginnings making just 20 layettes the first time out, we have expanded exponentially thanks to wonderful members and friends who support the vision of Christ Child Society and our founder, MVM. "Nothing is ever too much to do for a child." Today we have distributed over 6,500 layettes to moms and babies in need. We have expanded our other service projects to provide hygiene items (and warm hats & gloves) to elementary students in our low income schools. We support the Families In Transition office to provide needed hygiene items to homeless teens along with blankets, socks, and other necessities. We have beautiful handmade bereavement sets provided to grieving families that lose their baby. We keep an open and giving heart year-round looking for new ways we can **"see the Christ Child in every child."** Let us know of any new service project ideas so that our chapter will continue to serve the needs of the children in our area.

Save the Dates

Sat, January 21 – Prospective New Member Brunch – Community Rooms – 9am

Sat, April 1 – General Meeting – Community Rooms – 9am

Sat, April 8 – Founder's Day Mass – Cottage – 9:30am

Wed, May 10 – Evening for the Ladies – 6pm

**January Feature:
New Year's Note
from our President**

*Blessings of
Christmas
to you and
yours!*

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