Greetings from Your Regent

My dear Catholic Daughters Sisters,

Lent is upon us. As a child I always felt it was something to get through. In more recent years I see it as an opportunity for self-improvement, not just for these 40 days, but for the other 325 days of the year as well. Maybe a spiritual activity I've embraced for Lent will become a new habit or lifestyle I can adopt to my life post-Lent. It's not too late for us to embrace the Lenten call for prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Our court and St. Mary's and St. Columba's Parishes are offering several opportunities to improve our prayer life. Recitations of the rosary, 40-hours devotion, Lenten retreat, Stations of the Cross are being provided to us. Please read this newsletter for more information on so many of these – and other –opportunities. In addition, see page 3 for charitable giving opportunities. Also, the Horizons Youth group at St. Mary's is collecting food for the food pantry throughout Lent, and you can bring those donations to the church vestibule.

Don't let this Lent be a missed opportunity to get closer to Jesus.

In Unity and Charity, Diane