

Annual Report for Province III  
Daughters of the King  
Unassembled Diocese of Central Pennsylvania  
Dame Julian of Norwich Chapter

The Dame Julian of Norwich Chapter, at St. Andrews Episcopal Church, in State College, PA, has had a good year. Our little chapter grew from 5 members to 10 members in February, 2011. We spent the fall in discernment of vows.

We offered the following activities during the year:

We offered workshops to construct Anglican Prayer Beads before Advent and Lent, wrote our own rosary prayers, and led the recitation of the Anglican rosary on the Monday nights in Advent and Lent.

In the fall we read The Yada Yada Prayer Group and spent time in discussion, in preparation for the Province III retreat in WV.

We offered a day-long workshop in the Spring to all women in our parish on different ways to pray, including prayer bead construction, writing a Benedictine rule of life, and creative construction of icons. It was a stimulating and fulfilling day.

Our service activity of the year was that we remodeled what had been a little used Chapel and turned it into a warm and inviting prayer room, a space for all of our parish to use. We removed miscellaneous items that had been stored in the space, painted the walls a warm, inviting and less-institutional color, installed an area rug, refurbished pews, scrubbed floors, added less harsh lighting, created a quilted wall hanging/covering to hide some storage space, and added a bevy of plants and candles to the room to enhance the space. The Lenten Rosary was recited in the prayer room, and the space has been used by children in the various school aged classrooms as a space for spiritual reflection.

During Lent we presented the video series Uppity Women of the Bible and spent time in discussion over the course of 5 weeks.

When we don't have an activity planned for a meeting time, we have ready favorite scripture passages that we can read and discuss as a group.

We actively maintain a prayer request list, which is updated twice a month, when we gather as a group, and we pray for those needs daily.

In 2010-2011, we increased our visibility in the parish, and hope to do discernment again this fall for women who have since expressed an interest in Daughters of the King.

Respectfully submitted,

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