I struggled to find what to write for my report, but God always provides a thought or inkling of an idea to expand upon. I typically do a quick search and something comes that I can quote or write about. I am thankful for God's inspiration (and the internet). FYI.

Excerpts from Simply Catholic

"All You Need to Know about All Saints' and All Souls' Days"

by D.D. Emmons

All Saints' Day is a solemnity and holy day of obligation on which the universal Church honors the martyrs, the saints and the confessors, including all known and unknown, all who have gained the reward of heaven.

On All Souls' Day the universal Church prays for all those in purgatory, people who were much like us, whose offense may have been less than ours. By pleading for them, we are inspired to lead purer lives. On that day, and during the entire month of November, we remember our departed brethren as we go to the cemetery where they are buried, attain indulgences for them, give alms, do some good work, ask for Masses to be said in remembrance, all on behalf of those close to us and to others we may have neglected during the year.

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,

and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace."

As we enter the month of November we remember all those who have passed before us. Let us not forget those who have passed and left the ranks of DCCW. We have been blessed by those who have provided the footwork for our organization. They have provided us with a path to follow and cherish the work they set forth for God's work. Let us continue that work to honor their legacy, while praying for eternal rest of their souls. I pray that your loved ones and those who have no one to pray for them, are lifted up in prayer and they gain the reward of Heaven.

I will be working with the nominating committee to find candidates for the upcoming term. Please consider moving into a leadership position to continue the legacy set by the strong women who have gone before us. They all had the same fears and concerns as you when saying "yes" to the position they accepted. Guess what....they succeeded because it isn't about you, but about the work God wants us to do. He leads the way. We just need to stand out of His way and good things happen. Just believe and trust His directs.

Annette Pressley, Gabby Gauchay, and I went to St. Andrews Parish to meet with their Women's group on October 20 to share our love for DCCW. We hope they decide to affiliate with DCCW. They have a very active group. It was a great opportunity to meet new women of Faith.

Humbly submitted in Christ,

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