## Wasatch Deanery Council of Catholic Women Affiliate/Commission Reports September 14, 2023

Summer is almost over, and fall is on the way. We all participated in one way or another in the AMAZING Eucharist Rally on July 9<sup>th</sup>. What a blessing!! Many of us attended and/or volunteered at the NCCW convention here in Salt Lake City. It was indeed a tremendous experience with lots of prayer, masses, rosaries, speakers, fun and fellowship. Our wonderful state and Catholic women were showcased in the most phenomenal way. Many, but not all, of our affiliates took the summer off from the usual meetings but stayed active in other ways as you can see. We are all ready to get back to work and look forward to sales of our Wasatch Deanery Saintly Doodles Calendars with inspirational artwork by our own Gabby Gauchay.

## Affiliate Reports

Blessed Sacrament did not take the summer off.

**June** - CCW hosted First Friday Adoration in the church on June 2. On June 9 and 10 we held our annual Garage Sale fundraiser. There were many hours involved the week prior. The chores of setting up, sorting, pricing, and cleaning up provided many of us with the spirit of service along with much needed socializing. Our monthly meeting was held June 21, beginning with the rosary at 6:00, Social at 6:30, and Meeting at 7:00 pm. This month's activity was a few rounds of Bingo with prizes. During this month, our Bereavement Ministry was busy providing six funeral luncheons.

**July** - CCW hosted First Friday Adoration in the church on July 7. Our CCW takes a summer break from our monthly meeting in July; however, we planned a fun social event. Over 20 ladies met at the Black Bear Diner in Draper for a night of dining and delightful company!

**August** - CCW hosted First Friday Adoration in the church on August 4. On August 16, we held our monthly meeting beginning with the rosary at 6:00, Social at 6:30, and Meeting at 7:00 pm. This month we started a book exchange after the meeting. This was an opportunity to clear out our bookshelves, give some books a new home, and contribute to another's reading enjoyment. Also, a collection of extra produce from our gardens and trees was delivered to the Inn Between, a hospice for the homeless. CCW, along with the Knights of Columbus, were part of the preparation and clean up for our Parish Picnic on August 19. Tables and tents were set up outside, but when the downpour of rain came, it became quite cozy inside the Parish Center!

<u>St. Martin de Porres</u> had a board meeting in August to break out the year for events, activities and opportunities to learn and serve for our CCW members. Our first meeting was September 13, with a presentation by Sister Germaine Sarrazin about St. Vincent de Paul. Also, we are blessed that one of the members of the CCW will be selling Hope Soap for the Ladies of Charity that run a food pantry/thrift store in North Salt Lake City. The fundraiser is to help purchase their own building. Of course, we will also be selling the WCCW calendars. We will also be going over a calendar of events that was created to engage and encourage the ladies to participate in events and donations throughout