## Northern Deanery Report

January 10, 2024

Hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday Season. I can't believe another year has come and gone. yOur ladies of the Northern Deanery have been busy! Below are the latest Parish reports.

# Holy Family:

- We are continuing to collect hygiene items for CCS.
- We tied 48 blankets that were made with love and fun with our ladies. They were distributed to the Youth Shelter, Children's Justice Center and 8 for our senior residents.
- We are getting ready for our annual Spaghetti Dinner to be held on February 3<sup>rd</sup> in our Social Hall.
- We will be doing Mary's Way of The Cross at our March meeting.
- We will soon be putting together our agenda of our speakers, etc for our retreat on March 2nd.

### St James:

- Held our annual St. James CCW Christmas Fair & Bakesale in December. Earned \$3500. We engaged parish members this year to donate a gift basket for silent auction. It was a hit! Over 40 baskets donated. Plus homemade baked goods.
- Our CCW members voted to donate 20 percent of all annual fundraising to our DDD (Diocesan Development Drive) to assist in helping Father Dave an dour parish with a revenue source in which to reach our obligation.
- Year-end survey was sent out by the CCW Board of Directors to survey members on current programs, new programs and other feedback to improve 2024 outcomes.
- Currently planning a Spring CCW Membership Drive.

# St Mary

- In October we held a Wendover Fun Bus Fundraiser.
- We also started a Rosary followed by an hour of adoration after. This will be recurring on every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month.
- In November we had our annual Basket drawing fundraiser. We also assisted with the Parish DDD fund drive.

- In December we sold Poinsettias to decorate the church for Christmas. We are also in charge of their up keep (cleaning and watering).
- We brought Advent Bingo back to the Parish. It was a great success with 100+ attendees. A great time was had by all.
- We had our first Advent visit to the homebound members and donated lap blankets to each of them (28)
- We also had our annual Advent dinner, with 30 members in attendance.
- On January 16<sup>th</sup>, we will be holding our Annual Baby Jesus Shower. All gifts will be donated to CCS in support of St Martha's Baby project.

#### St Rose of Lima

- In October Saint Rose of Lima, was selected to host the relic of the soon to be a Saint, Carlos Acutis. A mass and reception were held at Saint Rose. Cookies and such were served to those attending.
- A few of the ladies have been furnishing cookies for the youth group meeting on Fridays.
- The latter part of December a few of the ladies got together and they made raffle baskets to sell as a fundraiser. With the holiday we were unable to sell on many of the Sundays. Bad timing.
- In December, we decided to forgo our regular meeting and meet in January with a meal and baby Jesus' collection. Because of the weather, that meeting was postponed until January 16.

Peace and Blessings,

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