



SAN FRANCISCO PROVINCE REPORT

I hope this finds everyone well and enjoying a lovely fall season.

- NCCW EC signed a contract with Community IT Innovators to replace the IT person NCCW was using.
- Catholic Social Ministry Gathering DC will be held **February 3-6, 2018**. NCCW will sponsor a Program book message for \$1,000 and also an exhibit table for \$350.
- Thanksgiving Dollars for CRS. Members are asked **to fast and pray on Nov. 16**, the Thursday prior to Thanksgiving. Then, they are asked to submit the funds saved by fasting to NCCW (please notate Thanksgiving- CRS on check) to be forwarded to Catholic Relief Services.
- NCCW Christmas ornaments are for sale on the website.
- Membership Brochure has been re-designed and is now available
- Commission Chairs have been appointed:
 - Leadership Commission: Bev McCarvel
 - Spirituality Commission: Mary Rowley
 - Service Commission: Diane Tugander
 - **I serve on the Leadership and Service Commission**
- Committee Appointments :
 - **Congratulations to Amy Kennedy-Chair of the By-Laws Committee**
- OLCG Award: Teresa Sarzynski
- Resolutions: Yvonne Pygatt
- Legislative Advocacy and RAAP: Karen Painter
- Education: Beth Mahoney
- Membership: Ann Jansky
- Convention Planning: Jean Kelly
- **I serve on the Our Lady of Good Counsel Award**
- 2018 NCCW Our Lady of Good Counsel Award nomination deadline is March 12, 2018. The selection criteria and selection process form is available on the NCCW website. www.nccw.org
- NOMINATIONS are open for treasurer applications are due March 1, 2018. Applications, job description et cetera can be found at www.nccw.org. Suggested candidate names and recommendations can be sent to the Chair of the Nominating Committee, Nancy Poll, 156nancy@bellsouth.net.
- Membership numbers are up since June 2017: Individual 1146 (up 110), Supporting 365 (up 10), Diocese 88 (up 1), Parish 1265 (up 47), subdivision 146 (up 7) High school remain at 1.
- 2017 convention expenses will be less than 2016. We expect at least a \$52,000 refund from the Anatole Hotel in Dallas from convention.

- Mass Collections during convention: \$1,455.44 Catholic Relief Services, \$1,211.42 Cross Catholic, \$1,513.34 Catholic Charities in Galveston, Texas. NCCW portion of mass collections \$4,180.20.
- Donations sent to NCCW office for Catholic Charities in Galveston = \$12,000.00

Maribeth Stewart has chosen her theme for the next 2 years:

YEAR ONE will focus on *EVANGELII GAUDIUM* (The Joy of the Gospel) written by Pope Francis and the NCCW theme is:

NCCW: Reflecting the Joy of God, Faithful Missionary Disciples
Leading with fearless hearts, united voice, loving service

YEAR TWO will focus on *LAUDATO SI* (On Care Of Our Common Home) written by Pope Francis and the NCCW theme is

NCCW: Reflecting the Joy of God, Caring for His Creation
Leading with fearless hearts, united voice, loving service

Evangelii Gaudium is now available on our website, www.nccw.org, and all members will receive a monthly newsletter that further develops one or more of the beautiful passages found in that document.

NCCW Spirituality Commission is featuring a monthly call-in rosary more information on www.nccw.org and a day of prayer for persecuted Christians on November 26, 2017. Prayers and other information can be found at www.usccb.org

NCCW Service Commission is focusing on Human Trafficking and will be organizing a joint service project with the US Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking and the Auxiliary of the Knights of St. Peter Claver.

The San Francisco Province Meeting is scheduled for February 9, 10 & 11, 2018 at the Crystal Inn in Salt Lake City, Utah

The focus of our meetings will be several of the 2017 NCCW Resolutions:

- Cultural Diversity featuring Molly Murphy Dale member of the Diocesan Peace and Justice Commission and works with refugee families through the state's refugee services. She also traveled with Jean Hill and Catholic Relief Services to Malawi, Africa.
- Legislative Advocacy: featuring Jean Hill Director of Government Liaison, Peace and Justice for the Diocese of Salt Lake City.
- Mentoring featuring Amy Kennedy NCCW Leadership Trainer and Bylaws Committee Chair.
- Respite Program—maybe Pat Voorhes, LCSW, CCTSW

Reservations to the Crystal Inn are made individually. The Meeting Rate will expire on January 9th. \$225.00 Registration fee is due to Kathy Jones on January 9th.

Yours in Christ. Our Lady of Good Counsel Pray for Us,

Patricia Voorhes, NCCW San Francisco Province Director