

Salt Lake Deanery Year End Report

The Salt Lake Deanery began their year with a meeting in June preparing a budget and mapping out the year. The first event was the Eucharistic Revival Mass in July, where many of our ladies attended and volunteered. Then in August, beautiful centerpieces were created to grace the tables at the NCCW held in downtown Salt Lake. Several women from the deanery attended and volunteered throughout the week to make the 2023 National Convention a success. In January Saint Ann's Ladies Guild and Saint Olaf Council hosted the DCCW Board meeting. In February several ladies attended the San Francisco Province meeting in support of our member Jeanne Audiss, Province Director. The Salt Lake Deanery affiliates have donated raffle items to both the DCCW and NCCW conventions and have run ads in their programs. We have also made monetary donations to an orphanage and The Other Side Academy. This year as always the Salt Lake Deanery affiliates have taken active roles in their parish's mass, Lenten dinners and stations, funeral lunches, and fellowship activities like bingo and coffee and donuts.

The Cathedral of the Madeleine Women's Society has worked hard this year to entice new members and have held inspirational meetings. Our Lady of Lourdes Magna Council holds monthly bingo bake sales and helped with the parish's spaghetti dinner to raise money. With this money they have donated to several projects for the upkeep and improvements of their church. Saint Ann's Ladies Guild has raised money throughout the year to make Christmas a little bit brighter by donating gift cards to those in need and they held a very successful bake sale with the proceeds going to support the Carmelite nuns. Saint Marguerite's Council donates food and baby items, as well as weekend meal packs, to help meet the needs in their community. They support Saint Marguerite's school and reach out to their parishioners who are either homebound or in nursing homes. Saint Olaf's Council does their annual stocking stuffer project to gather items for the homeless, collects food for the Ladies of Charity Center of Hope food pantry throughout the year, and are a major partner in the Interfaith Service Day event. Saint Patrick's Council raises money all year long with bingo and a boutique to help with the cost of their new building, the rescue mission, and making it possible for their ladies to attend the convention or banquet. Saint Vincent de Paul council members are volunteering to be Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers. They have donated to their parish for unexpected renovation expenses and are taking an active interest in The Inn Between.

The Salt Lake Deanery held their annual spring luncheon at Saint Vincent de Paul with both the Saint Vincent de Paul and Saint Patrick councils working together to put on a very successful event. We had 3 guest speakers from The Other Side Academy. This is a 501(c)(3) public non-profit organization where criminals, homeless and substance abusers can change their lives, free of charge. We had close to 80 attendees and installed new officers for the upcoming term. This year has been a very generous, full, and successful year for the Salt Lake Deanery and Jesus would be so proud of us.

Respectfully,

Stacey Oliveto, Salt Lake Deanery President