

Southwestern Deanery Aware Winter Report, January 2020

Overall, Winter has seen the completion of many plans and community endeavors for the SW Deanery affiliates. It's always a busy and rewarding time of year.

Saint George Catholic Womens' Group

In the Fall, we held our Annual Diaper Drive. The Final tally showed a very successful effort. (\$ 3,511 in monetary donations, \$250 in gift cards, 1812 baby wipes and 5186 diapers & 10 bibs.)

Our Sunshine Committee has been very active creating fifty-three small prayer shawls and nine quilts that were donated to the Dove Center. They also visited eight assisted living facilities.

November/December saw us implementing our "Coats for San Pablo mission" project. Every year, SGCWG purchases winter attire for San Pablo Mission. This year, thirty boys' coats and twenty-eight girls' coats had been purchased for the mission. This year, we decided to expand the aforementioned project and include the entire parish. We introduced a Christmas Eve Drive for San Pablo Mission: during two weekends (Dec 7-8 and Dec 14-15) before and after masses, a Women's Group member was present to receive donations. Jackets, rolled plush blankets, stuffed animals, games, books, etc. were collected.

December once again brought the Christmas Angel Tree to us. This is the second year that SGCWG was in charge of the Angel Tree. Mary Skomal, our past President, did an outstanding job: she collected applications, made tags for each application to be placed on the tree. The Tree was ready before Thanksgiving and tags were put on before mass on Thanksgiving Day. After gifts started pouring in, Mary was assisted by Suzanne DeMaio and Pat Rogers who helped distributing gifts. Over 200 families received Angel Tree gifts.

January brings new challenges and anticipation as we look forward to the completion of our parish Kuzy Hall remodel.

Christ The King CWC

The ladies at CTK have been busy. We just did our 2nd annual Trunk or Treat on Halloween night. We had over 10 cars decorated and about 100 kids stop by.

In November, we held a baby shower to help stock up on goods for new moms in need at our local hospital (St. Martha's Baby Basket).

In December, we held our CWC Christmas sock exchange party at our meeting; our annual parish Christmas dinner; and our lovely ladies baked treats to hand out at the children's Christmas program.

We are looking forward to a busy and prosperous New Year!