

Eastern Deanery President's Report
September 26, 2017

The amazing ladies of the Eastern Deanery, after a fun and very warm summer break are ready and eager to get back to the routine of, all the activities, spiritual events and hustle and bustle that come with a new year of council. During the summer our CCW members helped out with various parish activities, including funeral dinners.

The ladies of St. Anthony of Padua in Helper were honored to co-sponsor with the Knights, a picnic in the city park to celebrate Father Albert Kileo's Silver Jubilee with the parish, community, and friends of Father from the Uintah Basin and St. Joseph's as well. We also announced the of the raffle for the beautiful handmade wooden vessel and plates which were generously donated to our group by a very talented parishioner, Monty Hatch. We held our first meeting on September 14th. We had a good turnout, as all the ladies of the parish were invited to join us. We had a short business meeting where we discussed what we want to do for our meetings and activities for the coming year. Charlotte MacKnight brought her beautiful handmade quilt which we will donate to be raffled at the parish carnival in November. After the meeting we had a nice social and refreshments.

At the end of last year's season we asked Father to do a special blessing on all the women of St. Helen's Parish and it was lovely. Confirmation was held on June 18th at St. James and the candidates were all thrilled by the gifts of a new Bible for each from the CCW. St. Helen's held our first CCW meeting for 2017-18 on September 7. After the opening prayer, Gaby Valadez was installed as our new President, replacing Kathryn Larson who will be our Spirituality Commission Chair. Our other officers will remain the same. We made plans for a reception for Bishop Solis during his visit to St. Helen's in Roosevelt and Holy Spirit in Duchesne on September 10th. It was a wonderful time for all. We discussed upcoming events before the meeting was adjourned.

The first meeting for St. James CCW was held on September 20. We reminisced about our last meeting in the spring which was a dinner held at President Karan Curtis's home on her patio and how cold it was and then we discussed just what we would like to accomplish for this coming year. We also talked about going to a retreat at one of the parishes. We voted on a new treasurer (Marketa Cooper) and a new secretary (Maria Zubel. Karan will remain as President. Congratulations to the new officers and thanks to Roni and Lisa who stepped down. We look forward to this year.

Respectfully Submitted,

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EDCCW President