

April 21, 2023 Convention Board Meeting

President's Report: Barb Kerouac

Wow, what a year. It's been a bit crazy to say the least. Hardly seems possible that a year has passed. I commend all the women before me who set such a high standard and difficult shoes to fill. By the grace of God, His plan seems to come forth no matter what. I have been amazed at the way all things fall into place, and wonder why on earth I get in His way. "Let go and let God", is definitely a real thing. "Jesus, I trust you"

Anyway, you can read my annual report for a summary and my Aware article for tidbits also. I won't bore you with those. I did attend the March San Francisco Province meeting. Jeanne Audiss, San Francisco Province Director put on a marvelous meeting. We enjoyed spirit filled sessions from Deacon Sunday Espinoza on Praying the Rosary and the meaning of Adoration. Christopher Huntzinger gave a very interesting talk on the Apostolic Letter: "Desiderio Desideravi" (I have earnestly Desired) from Pope Francis. The Mass needs our full participation and focus to fulfill the sense of mystery which we experience the true presence of the Eucharist. What a gift our church provides us. Catholic Community Services provided a heartfelt plea & gratitude from Refugees from the Ukraine. We Americans are so blessed, I pray we never have to go through what they have. Now to continue to help by praying, and giving of our time and talents. Crystal Painter presented on the walking with Moms in Need Initiative and gave us many ideas and resources to start in our Parishes. Amy concluded the sessions with "reviving your CCW" and be inclusive of all cultures. Susan Neilson led all of us in Prayerful Lenten prayer services, especially the "Stations of the cross". If you ever have the chance to attend Province meeting, take the time to do it, you would not be disappointed.

I now encourage you all to register for the NCCW Convention right here in SLC August 24-26, 2023. It will be the final act as NCCW President for Pat Voorhes. You can register now , go to www.nccw.org . Please allow our out of town guests the courtesy of taking the tours., if any spaces are not filled, then we can take those spaces. While you are on the NCCW site, please vote for the new slate of officers. Our own Amy Kennedy is a nominee for vice President/ President elect. You need to be a registered member, you still have time to do so and still vote. Voting ends May 1st.

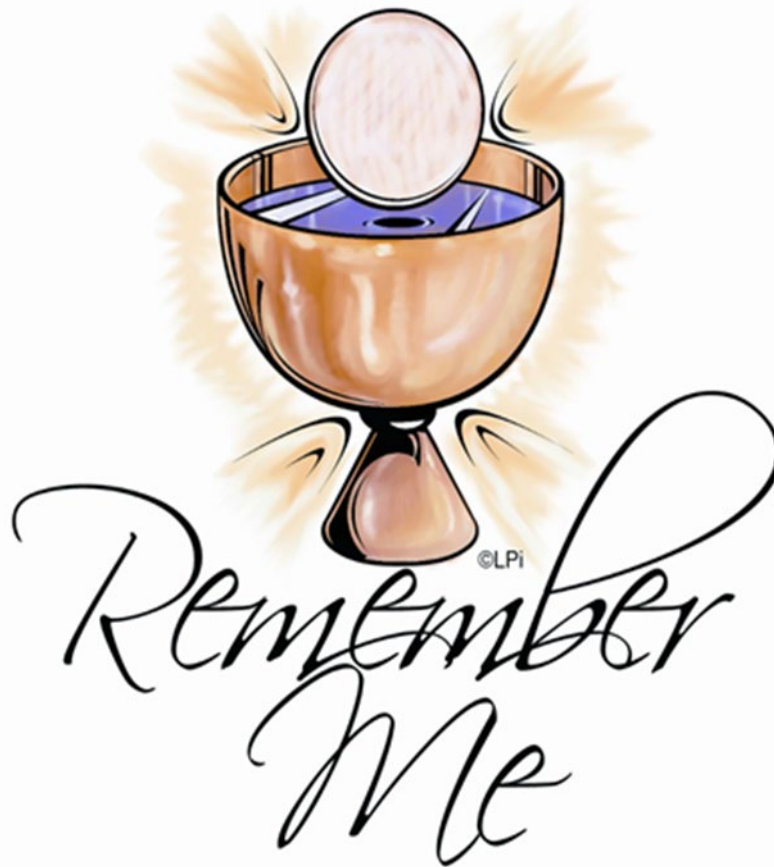
Becky Hicks, NCCW hosting Volunteer coordinator, will have Sign up Genius" available for all to sign up. Please encourage those who are attending to take the time to sign up as a volunteer, Please remind them, if they want to attend any of the sessions they also need to register for the convention. We will have more info at the June meeting. Let's show the NCCW Women from across the country that our great and mighty "little DCCW" know how to spread our "honey" by "bee"ing unstoppable worker BEES.

The Eucharistic Miracles Display (we have on display at our convention,) will be able to travel to different Parishes. We are trying to get it out to as many parishes and Catholic Schools as possible. SW Deanery has one available through Christ the King Parish, also . the logistics are still being worked out. Please contact me for more information or would like to help with this project.

Coming in July we will be asked to help with the Eucharistic Revival Diocesan Mass and Rally at the Mtn America Expo Center. Marie Devereux will be in the registration hall recruiting volunteers. I am asking that you be generous with your time and talents. Because it is for families, all volunteers need to have the "safe Environment certification" found on the Sal Lake City Diocesan website. It doesn't take long to complete, so do it early if you plan on volunteering.

Well enough for now, sorry this is lengthier than I expected.

**Have a wonderful faith-centered convention. Hope you leave with
"Hearts Wide Open" full of Faith , Hope, and Love for the Eucharist!!**



*"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood
remains in me and I in him" Jn 6:56*