DCCW Board Meeting · JAN. 18, 2025 PRAYER SERVICE

Opening Prayer –

Leader: Lord, we come to you and ask for your blessing and help as we gather. We pray for guidance in the matters at hand and ask that you clearly show us how to conduct our work with a spirit of joy and enthusiasm. Help us to come together and encourage each other to excel.

Right Side: Gracious Lord, we come before you seeking renewal in this new year.

Left Side: Renew our minds, our hearts, and our spirits.

Right Side: May we be transformed by the power of your Holy Spirit, leaving behind the old and embracing the new that you have in store for us.
Left Side: At the start of each day, help us to recognize you above all else.
Right Side: Enlighten the eyes of our hearts so that we might see you and notice how you're at work through our lives.

- Left Side: Give us the wisdom to make the best choices, and fill us with a desire to seek after you more than anything else in this world.
- **Right Side:** Thank you for being greater than anything we may face in our day.
- Left Side: We ask that your peace lead us. We ask for your grace to cover our lives each day.

All: We love you, Lord...we need you. In Jesus' Name, Amen

God of heavenly wisdom, you have given us Mary, Mother of Jesus, to be our guide and counselor. Grant that we may always seek her motherly help in this life and so enjoy her blessed presence in the life to come. O Mother of Good Counsel, patroness of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, intercede for us, that we may be wise, courageous, and loving leaders of the Church. Help us, dear mother, to know the mind of Jesus, your son.

May the Holy Spirit fill us with reverence for God's creation, and compassion for all God's children. May our labors of love on earth enhance the reign of God and may God's gifts of faith and living hope prepare us for the fullness of the world to come. Amen.

Closing Prayer-

ALL: Lord God, we come before you humbly, acknowledging our need for you. We thank you for your never-ending patience despite our many flaws and fumbles. Lord, we ask that you guide us as we seek to live out your will in our lives. Shine your light into the areas of our lives where we need to make changes and give us a desire to be more like you.

We know your Word is a light unto our path. Help us seek you out each day; to read your Word for guidance and direction. At each step, turn our eyes toward the holy light of your Word.

Please bless the Council of Catholic Women of St. Vincent de Paul Parish for their warm hospitality. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

May God's love and blessings be with you and remain with you always.