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DCCW PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Casey Pond — St. Olaf, Bountiful, Parishioner

My first five months as your DCCW president are over, and I am certainly glad I have 19 more months to serve because I think I am finally figuring out this job. Thank you for your patience, your support, your good advice, and your willingness to step up and lend a hand to serve the DCCW through this next biennium.

Summer has recently ended, although at this writing, the temperatures are “unseasonably warm”. It was a tough start to the season with the passing in June of a dear friend and Council mentor to many, Kathy Jones. She is very much missed and will continue to be in our thoughts and our hearts. It seemed as if more bad news followed: extreme heat, thousands of acres and many homes consumed by wild fires, friends with personal concerns, more bickering among our politicians, and the sexual abuse scandal that is rocking our Church. What are we to do?

Have faith in God and know He is in charge, vote in November, and take advantage of the change of seasons. Poets, artists, and regular folk realize the beauty of autumn, the bounty of the harvest (and of seasonal flavors!), the refreshment of cooler weather, and, for most, the comfort of getting back into routines that help give order to our lives.

As women of Council, our routines include meetings – parish, deanery, and diocesan – and the attendant “stuff” that goes along with them. Our Council year really gets going in September, and with your boards and plans in place and with your commitment, your year will surely be successful! As women of Council, our routines include attending Mass and receiving the Sacraments where we receive the grace Christ won for us upon the Cross. As women of Council, our routines include service to others, whether they be members of our family, our parish, friends or neighbors, or total strangers. As members of Council, our routines should include personal improvement and relaxation: engaging in a hobby, perhaps, or exercising; reading for pleasure or for an educational purpose; spending time with positive people; or just getting enough sleep. As women of Council, our routines must include prayer. When all the crazy things going on in the world, our country, our Church, and often times in our personal or professional lives begin to wear us down or cause us to worry, pray. But also pray to “thank God for all that He, in His goodness, sends to us day after day.” (St. Gianna Molla)

And, please, “Even if something is left undone, ... take time to sit still and watch the leaves turn.”

(Elizabeth Lawrence)

God bless you!

Casey





DCCW SPIRITUAL ADVISOR

Father Reynado "Rene" Rodillas — St. Olaf, Bountiful, Pastor

THE JOY OF BEING A DCCW SPIRITUAL ADVISOR

"The world is our parish. Be a Divine Word Missionary and see the world!" This is the catchy slogan of the Society of the Divine Word (SVD) to draw the attention of young men to the priesthood and religious life. The Society of the Divine Word is the congregation of religious priests and brothers serving in about fifty countries around the globe, which I am a former member. Like a Society of the Divine Word Missionary, who has the opportunity to see the world by being assigned in different parts of the world, a DCCW Spiritual Advisor is given the privilege to go to different parts of the United States, since the NCCW national convention is held annually in a different city around the country.

As DCCW Spiritual Advisor for two years now, I have had the opportunity to attend NCCW conventions. The first one was in Dallas in 2017. This past August 27 – September 1, 2018 was the second convention which I attended. It was an honor and privilege to be with hundreds of Catholic women from all over the United States gathered in one place at one time. We heard a series of inspirational talks, had meetings, prayed together, met new friends and reconnected with old ones we met at previous national conventions.

Among the several talks that were presented at the convention, The Most Reverend Frank Caggiano, Bishop of Bridgeport, gave a talk titled "Disciples Called to be Joyful Signs of Contradiction in the World" which was phenomenal and the most inspiring for me. After his talk, people I met in the elevator or in the hotel lobby and the session halls were all talking about it. Some were asking if there was somebody who recorded his talk or if there were CD's for sale about his talk. But there were none. (Audio and written copies are now available on the NCCW website: <https://www.nccw.org/nccw-convention/>). Bishop Caggiano was saying that Joy comes from righteous anger, courage to tell the truth, and hope. I believe that people listened to him not only because of his natural sense of humor, but due to the simplicity and clarity of his presentation. Added ingredients to make people want to listen to him were his use of personal stories and experiences.



At our DCCW convention last April, Fr. Rene received his official NCCW Spiritual Advisor stole.

Of all the homilies I heard during the convention Masses, I loved Bishop David Zubrik's homily best. He shared a story about his two grandnieces: Alexandra, who is six years old, and Abby, who is two years old, his nephew's daughters. He said that his nephew and his wife are devout Catholics, and they taught their daughters to pray at a young age. He said that when Abby, the youngest one, started to pray the Lord's Prayer by herself, instead of saying, "Our Father, who art in heaven. Hallowed be Thy name", she would say, "Our Father, who art in heaven. How do you know my name?" This made me reflect that God knows my name. He knows everybody's name, and God knows not only our names, but the innermost core of our being. In the Book of the prophet Isaiah, God says, "I have called you by name and you are mine." (Is. 43:1)

I am already looking forward to next year's National Council of Catholic Women's Convention to be held in Atlanta, Georgia. How I wish more Catholic women not only from our diocese, but dioceses around the country, could have the opportunity to attend this national Catholic women's convention to deepen their faith and manifest that faith in good works, especially the younger Catholic women. Just as when I attend our Salt Lake City Diocesan Council of Catholic Women conventions, my faith as a Spiritual Advisor was strengthened because of the power of the faith of these women.



National Council of Catholic Women
IMMEDIATE PAST SAN FRANCISCO PROVINCE DIRECTOR
Pat Voorhes — St. Vincents, Murray, Parishioner

Dear Council Sisters,

Mission Possible

Thank you for your support these last two years as I served as San Francisco Province Director. It was my 4th time on the NCCW Board, and I am so grateful to God and you for all my experiences. God truly blessed me; but, I could not have done it without your support.

I am honored to have been approached to seek election for President-Elect of the National Council of Catholic Women; but I am going to need your help to be successful, if I am chosen to run. What can you do to help? Become or renew as an individual member of NCCW so you can vote. We need as many individual memberships able to vote by February 1, 2019 (60 days before the April 1 vote begins). I am also reaching out to affiliates as well. **Please** renew your parish membership by 12/31/2018, or before February 1, 2019, so your vote can count.

So, Council Sisters, this is your mission; I hope you choose to accept: 2 or more NCCW Individual Memberships (new or renewal) per person before February 1, 2019. May Our Lady of Good Counsel be our guide.

Your Sister in Christ,
Pat Voorhes



DCCW TREASURER
Becky Hicks — Blessed Sacrament, Sandy, Parishioner

I want to share with you the information passed on by Rose Martinet, NCCW Treasurer. From generous member's donations, the following amounts were sent to Catholic Relief Services (\$17,913 - broken down as General Funds of \$1,542; Help a Child of \$620; Madonna Plan of \$3,456; Refugee Women Emergency Fund of \$934; and Water for Life \$1,361). Also, during the last year, \$32,000 was collected for the Vocations Purse Club.

On our DCCW level, from this year's Mass collection, we gave \$1,029 each to the following recipients – NCCW's Vocation Purse Club; the Carmelite Monastery; & Give Me a Chance, Daughters of Charity.

As I'm sure many of our Affiliates and Deaneries donations are included in the above numbers, your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Reminder, please note that Affiliate and Deanery annual dues to NCCW are due December 31, 2018. In order to be eligible to vote in the April 1st President-Elect elections, all dues MUST be received by NCCW before February 1, 2019. Please plan accordingly.

Thank you for your support during the last two years, as well as the forthcoming two years. Please let me know if you have any questions or comments – Becky Hicks, DCCW Treasurer – rfhicks50@gmail.com.



FIRST VICE PRESIDENT/PRESIDENT-ELECT

Becky Colombo — St. Anthony, Helper, Parishioner

Fall is such a beautiful time of year; my favorite. The fires that are raging through our state are so sad....I hope all of you reading this article are safe, as well as your homes and neighborhoods. We must keep praying for a quick end to the fires and for the safety of all the fire fighters.

Several of us recently returned from the NCCW convention in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. It was an excellent convention and very renewing. I always enjoy learning new ideas for council and becoming spiritually motivated to do a great job in whatever position I currently hold. I am happy to be your First Vice-President and look forward to meeting all of you at meetings and our DCCW convention.

My report for the DCCW meeting in September, which can be found on the DCCW website, is about the resolutions voted upon in Pittsburgh, so I will not go into those. Other topics covered at NCCW included leadership and service commission ideas. Bishop Caggiano, who spoke at the conference, was excellent, and his presentation can be viewed on the website www.nccw.org under the NCCW Convention tab. We also had Cardinal DiNardo at one of the masses, and he was excellent! They both spoke about the current issues concerning priests and abuse cases over the years. It was good to hear them address these issues directly instead of avoiding the “elephant in the room”. They stated the need to address the issue and that action needs to be taken to punish these men. I hope that our Church is able to withstand the issues without people losing their faith and leaving the Church. Please pray for everyone.

Keep in mind our own convention in April, 2019 and begin thinking of those businesses or friends who would like to put an ad in the convention booklet. That is one duty I will have as your First Vice President, and it is never too early to begin! Our Eastern Deanery is always very good about selling ads for the booklet, so I am going to send out a challenge to all the other deaneries to beat Eastern’s numbers and bring in the most ads EVER!

Happy Fall to Everyone!



DCCW REPRESENTATIVES FROM SALT LAKE CITY ATTEND THE 2018 NCCW 98TH CONVENTION.

Front Row: Shirley King, Pat Voorhes, Casey Pond,
Fr. Rene Rodillas

Middle Row: Mike O'Shea, Marcie Downs, Becky Colombo,
MaryAnne Mulvihill, Cynthia Acosta, Cleo Mota

Back Row: Susan Porter, Jeanne Audiss, Amy Kennedy

A full 2018 Convention Recap written by NCCW President, Mary Beth Stewart, can be found on the NCCW website:

<https://www.nccw.org/nccw-convention/>





SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

MaryAnne Mulvihill— St. Therese, Midvale, Parishioner

I have enjoyed the summer, doing some remodeling at home and working on my “crafts”. Now it’s time to start thinking about Convention 2019. I feel the responsibility for managing our only fundraiser; and I’m feeling a little intimidated following in the footsteps of Barb and Margaret—two organizational geniuses. If anyone has any ideas, I’m open to them.

I was able to attend the NCCW Convention in Pittsburgh. Funny, rain was forecast for every day, but Wednesday, so I signed up to go on the river cruise with several other ladies from Salt Lake on Wednesday evening. It rained for almost the whole cruise—by that I mean POURED. We got soaked, but it was fun. Didn’t rain any of the other days. God does have a sense of humor dumping rain on us desert-dwellers.

Convention itself was very uplifting and instructional. I am still “processing” some of the information that was presented. The elephant in the room was the Pennsylvania Attorney General’s stinging report on abuse by Catholic priests in three dioceses in Pennsylvania. While that report itself wasn’t really talked about, all the speakers were unanimous in stating that such abuse must be reported and the perpetrators must be held accountable. I especially got a lot out of the discussion on Pope Francis’ *Evangelii Gaudium*. Joy is the antidote for depression and anxiety and the discussion questions gave me a lot to think about.

Love & Peace of Christ,

MaryAnne



MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT & RESOURCE TEAM

Amy Kennedy, Chair — Cathedral of the Madeleine Parishioner

Is your women’s group in need of rejuvenation? Does your women’s group need some help revising bylaws to reflect the current needs of your organization? Are you having trouble attracting younger women to your meetings or events? If you answered yes to any of these questions, the Membership Development & Resource (MDR) Team can help!

Whether it is a strategy session with your officers, a presentation for your members at your next meeting, or a half-day workshop, the MDR Team can design a program tailored to your council’s needs as a free service from your DCCW Board. Contact MDR Committee Chair Amy Kennedy to find out what the MDR Team can do for your council.

Amy Kennedy is a past president of the Salt Lake City DCCW, a past chair of the NCCW’s Leadership Commission, and is currently a trainer for the NCCW’s Leadership Training Team. Having held almost every office at some level of Council, she and her team can offer support for and advice on the successful operation of your parish or regional women’s group. You can reach Amy at amy.kennedy@comcast.net (please note DCCW or MDR in the subject line) or at 801-755-1574 (voice or text).





LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION

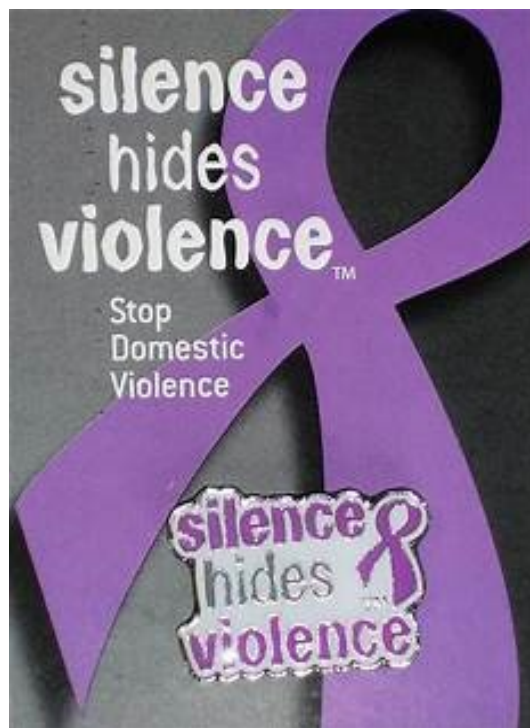
Donna Murphy, Chair
St. Thomas More, Sandy, Parishioner



Please keep Donna in your prayers. She recently had surgery on her shoulder and clavicle and while in recovery was in a car accident. She is presently waiting to hear the results of an MRI to see the extent of any additional damage caused by the accident.

Unable to write a report, she asks everyone to do their homework and carefully review the candidates and issues to be voted on this November keeping Catholic values and teaching in mind.

For more information visit: www.le.utah.gov, and the diocesan website: www.dioslc.com



**REMINDER:
ALL CHANGES FOR THE
DCCW ROSTER INCLUDING
DEANERY AND AFFILIATE
INFO NEED TO BE
EMAILED TO THE DCCW
SECRETARY
MARGARET CRAGIN-
MASSARONE**

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Catholic Woman's League (CWL) Fall Benefit Luncheon

Saturday October 6, 2018 at Little America Hotel, 500 South Main Street, SLC.

11 AM social hour followed by lunch, silent auction and opportunity drawings and fashion show. Beneficiaries are Saint Francis Xavier Catholic School and the Peace House.

Tickets must be purchased in advance, \$38.00 per person or \$450.00 for a sponsor table seating 10. Mail reservations with payment and seating requests by September 28, 2018 to Jenny Maffuccio, 13297 N. Deer Canyon Drive, Kamas Utah 84036.

For more information call Jenny at 435-640-1101. To make donations of cash, new (unused) items or services, please contact Linda Burt, Benefit Chair at 435-649-9812. All ladies are invited; bring your family and friends. Join us to support a good cause.

What: Benefit Luncheon and Fashion Show by Catholic Woman's League

When: Saturday Oct 6, 2018 beginning at 11AM

Where: Little America Hotel, 500 S. Main Street, SLC

Tickets: Must be purchased in advance. \$38.00 per person or \$450.00 for a sponsor table of 10.

RSVP: by September 28 to Jenny, at 435-640-1101

Beneficiaries: Peace House and Saint Francis Xavier Catholic School

All Women are invited

Donations are welcome, call Linda at 435-649-9812



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND
SAVE THE DATE
You won't want to miss it!**
**The 91st Annual DCCW Convention
APRIL 27-28, 2019
SHERATON SALT LAKE CITY HOTEL**





CONVENTION SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE

Ernie Folks — Mary Valerio
St. Peters, American Fork, Parishioners



We are in the process of updating the Sponsorship Application form and would like your input regarding ways to improve.

Send your ideas to erniefolks@outlook.com.



DID YOU KNOW...

DCCW MISSION STATEMENT

To unite Catholic women's organizations and individual Catholic women in the state of Utah, Diocese of Salt Lake City, in purpose, through **support, empowerment, and education** in the areas of **spirituality, leadership, and service** and respond with Christian values to current issues in the church and society.

It's time to Celebrate DCCW Council Sunday October 21, 2018

Throughout the diocese, we will be celebrating and publicizing **Council Sunday**. This annual day of recognition is to celebrate the accomplishments and contributions of our DCCW affiliated women's groups, while at the same time increase Council awareness. Contact your women's council president to see what's planned at your parish! Send pictures.



PICTURES, PICTURES, PICTURES!

Want to see your CCW in the *Intermountain Catholic* newspaper? As space allows, Marie Mischell, Editor, would like to publish pictures of your ladies groups activities. Email pictures with caption information to:

marie.mischel@dioslc.org.

Want to see your ladies on the DCCW website? Send pictures to our Website Editor, Angela Martinez, at: omartini25@comcast.net.

Want to see your ladies in the **AWARE**? Send pictures to the Aware Editor, utahbonnie@comcast.net.

Publicize the good works your ladies are doing and share activity ideas.



DCCW PARLIAMENTARIAN

Jeanne Audiss — St. Peter & Paul,
West Valley, Parishioner

One of the things I will be focusing on this year is the Resolutions we passed at the Convention in April 2018. Why do we pass them and what do they mean.? Is your parish CCW group planning activities around them?

In the meantime – Please check out the article below, “How do I present my motion?”

Robert's Rules of Order

- Why do we use Robert's Rules of Order?
 - Due process
 - Enable everyone present to participate
 - Make decisions with clarity
 - Ensure that the majority decides but the minority is heard
 - Facilitate meetings effectively



HOW DO I PRESENT MY MOTION?

Here's what happens
when you want a
motion considered:



1 YOU OBTAIN THE FLOOR

- Wait until the previous speaker is finished.
- Rise and address the chair. Say, "Mr. (or Madam) Chairperson" or "Mr. (or Madam) President."
- Give your name. The chair will recognize you by repeating it.



2 YOU MAKE YOUR MOTION

- Speak clearly and concisely.
- State your motion affirmatively. Say, "I move that we do..." instead of "I move that we do not..."
- Stay on the subject and avoid personal attacks.



3 YOU WAIT FOR A SECOND

- Another member will say, "I second the motion."
 - Or, the chair will call for a second.
 - If there is no second, your motion will not be considered.
- Motions made at the direction of a board or committee (of more than one person) do not require a second.



4 THE CHAIR STATES YOUR MOTION

- The chair must say, "It is moved and seconded that we..."
- After this happens, debate or voting can occur.
- Your motion is now "assembly property," and you can't change it without consent of the members.



5 YOU EXPAND ON YOUR MOTION

- As the person who made the motion, you are allowed to speak first.
- Direct all comments to the chair.
- Keep to the time limit for speaking.
- You may speak again after all other speakers are finished.
- You may speak a third time by a motion to suspend the rules with a 2/3 vote.



6 THE CHAIR PUTS THE QUESTION

- The chair asks, "Are you ready for the question?"
- If there is no more debate, or if a motion to stop debate is adopted, a vote is taken.
- The chair announces the results.





LEADERSHIP COMMISSION

Barb Kerouac, Chair — Sts. Peter & Paul, West Valley, Parishioner
Trish Christensen, Co-Chair — St. George Parish, St. George, Parishioner



Please keep Barb Kerouac and her husband, Ron, in your prayers. Ron suffered a major injury from a fall and the family is adjusting to the special care needed at this time.

The Bylaws Committee, Chaired by our Leadership Commission, will be working on reviewing our DCCW bylaws, standing rules, and convention guidelines. Any recommendations for updates/revisions should be emailed to Barb: Barb0235@msn.com.

What is Domestic Abuse And Violence



Domestic abuse and violence is any kind of behavior that a person uses to control an intimate partner through fear and intimidation. It includes physical, sexual, psychological, verbal, and economic abuse. Some examples of domestic abuse include battering, name-calling and insults, threats to kill or harm one's partner or children, destruction of property, marital rape, and forced sterilization or abortion.

USCCB United States Conference of Catholic Bishop
"When I Call For Help"

Note: If you are in immediate need of assistance, call 911
The National Domestic Violence Hotline number is
1-800-799-SAFE (7233)



THE 31st ANNUAL HOLIDAY BLESSINGS BOUTIQUE

Saturday, November 17, 2018
9:00am - 5:00pm

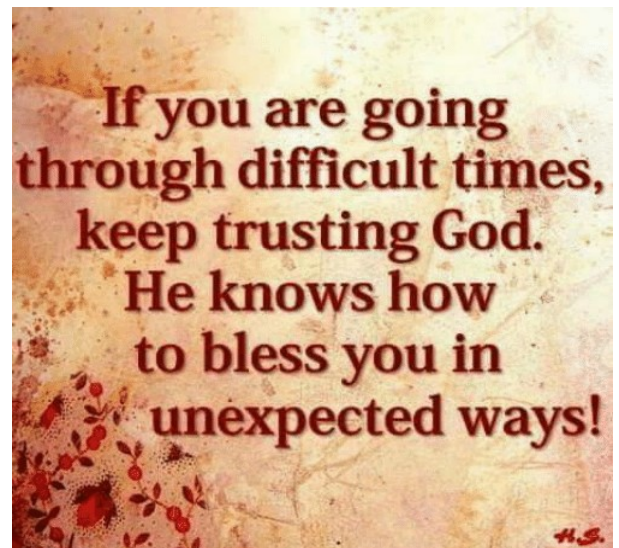
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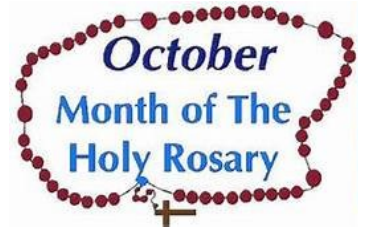
SPIRITUALITY COMMISSION

Susan Espinoza, Chair — Suzie Brown, Co-Chair
St. Joseph the Worker, West Jordan, Parishioners

Prayer:

Thank you, Father, for having created us
and given us to each other in the human family.
Thank you for being with us in all our joys and sorrows,
for your comfort in our sadness, your companionship in our loneliness.
Thank you for yesterday, today, tomorrow and for the whole of our lives.
Thank you for friends, for health and for grace.
May we live this and every day conscious of all that has been given to us.

- From [The Catholic Prayer Book](#), compiled by Msgr. Michael Buckley



Per the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, "In the Catholic Tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation. This obligation is rooted in our baptismal commitment to follow Jesus Christ and to bear Christian witness in all we do.



It is an election year, albeit an off-year election, and it is not too soon to educate ourselves on the candidates and issues. The best place to do this is on the diocesan web-site, under the government liaison section:

www.dioslc.org/outreach/government-liaison-peace-and-justice-ministry.

Jean Hill has a lot of information to help you make informed decisions on the issues, particularly those for the state of Utah. The Diocese surveyed all 2018 candidates for Utah State House and Senate seats and you can read the results of that survey.

Please take this privilege – and obligation – to heart. There are many troubling issues to be dealt with and those affected, the "least of these", deserve our attention.



UNITE WITH COUNCIL SISTERS ACROSS THE COUNTRY ON THE NCCW MONTHLY ROSARY CALL

On the 13th of every month, join NCCW members from around the country in the rosary lead by members of the NCCW Spirituality Commission. Our first rosary call began on October 13th, 2017, the 100th anniversary of the miracle of the sun at Fatima. Unite with your council sisters across the country for this powerful prayer each month!

NCCW Members' Call Information

Call in number for all calls: (515) 739 - 1261 - Pin 703993#

Times are 5 pm (PT), **6 pm (MT)**, 7 pm (CT), and 8 pm (ET)

1. If you join the call after the start time, please do not announce yourself despite the instruction to do so.
2. When you join the call, please mute your phone by pressing *6. You can take the phone off mute if you wish to speak by pressing *6 again.

6:00 PM
Mountain Time



EASTERN DEANERY

Karan Curtis, President — St. James the Greater, Vernal, Parishioner

Hello from the Eastern Deanery of Catholic Women! We are small but committed to our parishes.

St. Anthony of Padua in Helper, Utah, had their first meeting on September 13. They welcomed three new members and a few inactive members! St. Anthony is unique as they have two active presidents co-chairing this year. They had a speaker who owns and operates a thrift store in Helper, with his revenue from the store he sends addicts to rehab in California. St. Anthony's plans on hearing other presentations from others seeking funds for their charities before they decide where to give their funds. They also shared their adventures at the NCCW convention. EDCCW are looking forward to the report at our meeting in October.

St. Anthony is having a Harvest Bake sale in conjunction with Council Sunday. They also have an ongoing fundraiser for the Mother's and Father's benches at the Cemetery. For \$25 they will add a family name to the plaques. Barbra Jewkes is handling this project and doing a great job. They have plans for Sterling Scholars from Carbon High School to present their specialties, meet the candidates, a wine and paint night, their Christmas Party, and a card party with a fashion show. They are looking forward to working with the DCCW and would like to offer an invitation for DCCW members to visit their meetings sometime.

St. Helens in Roosevelt has received a new priest, Father Dass. They are working on a mini library in the Hall. They had a high school graduate that they presented with a small gift and a blessing. Two girls received their First Holy Communion. St. Helens is having a parish picnic on September 30th. On October 6th they have their annual rummage sale. St. Helens CCW is planning on a local service project with the domestic shelter.

St. James in Vernal has planned a breakfast fundraiser in November and bake/craft sales in December. Many are involved in their Bingo Bash fundraiser for the parish. They are planning their Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser for the parish, setting plans for our Council Sunday on the first Sunday of October. They are talking about a trip to the Mother Cabrini Shrine.

Thank you all and looking forward to a good year.
Karan Curtis



And God said...

Come to the silence, life is so loud - And your soul needs a break from the clock and the crowd.

Come to the silence, And let my love start, To heal all life's hurts, And comfort your heart.

Come to the silence, Be calm and be still, Just rest in my arms - for today, that's my will.

Come to the silence, In search of my peace, Gently your doubts and your fears will all cease.

Come to the silence - Here, take my hand, Have you forgotten, that I understand?

- *Author Unknown*



SOUTHWESTERN DEANERY
Mary LeBaron, President —
St. Paul Catholic Center, Hurricane, Parishioner

Southwest Deanery Fall Aware Report

The lazy days of summer have faded and the various communities are back at work. Several have provided back to school supplies for to the local local school districts and are now busy collecting baby supplies to help local support groups who help unplanned /stressful pregnancies and families with need who have young babies. (Hope Center, Switchpoint, Erin Kimball and Dove Center)

The Deanery Board met Aug. 30th at Saint Paul's Catholic Center to finalize their Retreat plans and plan the year ahead. Members of three of the four Women's groups attended, plus a surprise visit from DCCW's Barb Kerouac Plans discussed included the NCCW/DCCW resolutions with encouragement to go back to their councils and implement on whatever level possible. Much discussion was specifically focused on Human Trafficking. The need for awareness was emphasized. Other items included the DCCW schedule and possible attendance by more members, approval of a voucher system for reimbursement, dues, and appointment of liaison reps from the councils. This should help with communications. Hopefully, we will soon have a Spiritual Advisor.

The Deanery is hosting a Marian Retreat October 20th, presented by our very own DCCW Spirituality Commissioner Susan Espinoza. She is presenting in memoriam of Anne Smith, recently deceased member of the DCCW Spirituality Commission, who contributed to the creation of the retreat and was originally scheduled to present.

The retreat is October 20th (Saturday) at the St. George Catholic Church, 259 W. 200 N, St. George. Registration begins at 9 am and a luncheon will follow at 12 noon. All are invited! for more information/register, text/call Mary LeBaron 435.632.1572 or email mflebaron@yahoo.com.



NORTHERN DEANERY

Barb Larsen, President — Holy Family, S. Ogden, Parishioner

I am pleased to report the activities of the Northern Deanery Council of Catholic Women (NDCCW). Although we "take a break" during the Summer, we always find ourselves willingly hosting or participating in parish activities because that is where our hearts take us.

The new NDCCW officers were installed in June. President Barbara Larsen, Vice President Wanda Spell, Secretary Karen Fawbush, and Treasurer Donna Kushlan. We thank our previous officers Sylvia Orosco, Teresa Carmelo and Jane Mathis for their hard work and dedication to the Council of Catholic Women. The NDCCW donated an auction item in support of the Annual Give Me a Chance Charity Benefit in August. Each parish within the NDCCW was asked to do the same.

The following are Northern Deanery parishes and a summary of their activities:

Holy Family Parish CCW hosted the Annual Parish Picnic in June, which over 100 parishioners attended. They enjoyed grilled hamburgers and hot dogs--Father Wheaton actually purchased his favorite hot dogs for the picnic. Attendees brought a pot luck dish. The parish ministries, and others, donated 14 creative raffle baskets. The secret to a great event is the volunteers and many parishioners stepped up. A great time was had by all. The CCW donated a "Fall Season" themed auction basket to the Give Me a Chance Charity Benefit.

Annually, the CCW donates hygiene items to the Catholic Community Services pantry in Ogden--this year 325 items were collected. A Retreat of *Spiritual Revival* is scheduled on September 22nd. All women from the parish are invited. A full program of interesting speakers will present information on women's health, spiritually, and humanitarianism. Stories of 4 amazing women from the Bible will be presented. A continental breakfast will be served, and a catered luncheon with raffles following. In October they will hold their annual spaghetti dinner fundraiser. A local Italian Restaurant donates meatballs, and salad, breadsticks and Spumoni ice cream complete the menu. And of course there are baskets to raffle. Always great participation. October 10th marks the 10th Anniversary of the dedication of the new Holy Family Parish Church. Bishop Solis has accepted the invitation to attend the service honoring the dedication, and the CCW will host a reception afterward.

Saint Mary Parish CCW hosted receptions in May celebrating those who received their First Communion. They honored the women of the parish with a dinner at the Timberline Restaurant, and catered a lunch for the Deanery Priest's Meeting. In June, they met with women of faith from the Lutheran, Latter Day Saints, Baptist, and Catholic churches for the purpose of putting together over 100 "Blessing Bags" for the homeless. In July the ladies hosted a reception for those receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation, and prepared dinner for Bishop Solis, Father Vidal, and CCD teachers and spouses. In August they contributed an auction basket to the Give Me a Chance Charity Benefit. Cleo Mata attended the National Convention on behalf of St. Mary. The ladies are looking forward to hearing her experiences. The Annual Fall Bazaar is scheduled on November 17th and 18th, please mark your calendars for shopping and lunch. Also, they are planning a Breakfast Burrito Fundraiser for parish stained glass projects.

St. Rose of Lima CCW has a new spiritual advisor, Father Clarence. He will be advising the ladies on their spiritual journey and has many great ideas to share, including methods to get new membership. They celebrated their new CCW officers at a Mass on September 9th with a blessing and a rose presentation by Father Clarence. The congregation learned what the CCW is about and how it contributes to their parish. The women of the parish were invited to come to meetings and join in faith and community. Some women said they wanted to join but weren't sure what CCW did. It was decided the CCW in the future would hold only quarterly business meetings, the other monthly meetings would be directed toward spirituality and providing women with information to enhance their relationship with the Lord. Discussion topics include the sexual abuse allegations and charges within the Church; asking Sister Jermain to speak regarding her work with refugees; a presentation about end-of-life plans and decisions; and other topics of interest. St. Rose is having a festival the last weekend of September. The CCW will be manning a face painting/tattoo booth. Their Third Annual Trunk or Treat will take place on Sunday, October 28th; each year the participation increases. They will also join the Knights of Columbus again for their parish's Annual Senior Thanksgiving Dinner on November 18th.





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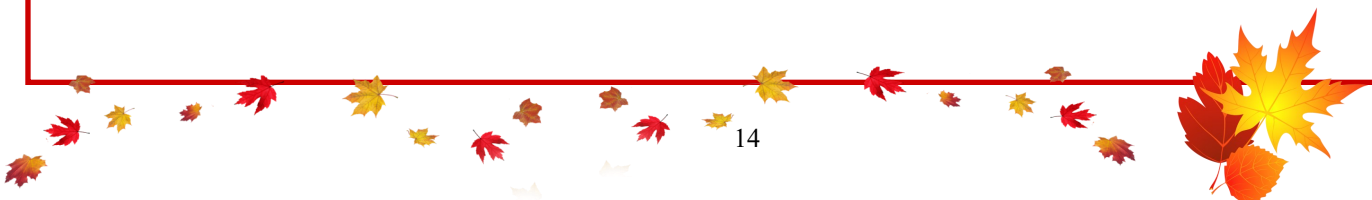
Susan Porter, President — St. Thomas More, Sandy, Parishioner

Over the Labor Day Weekend, I was blessed to represent the Wasatch Deanery by attending the 98th Annual NCCW Convention, “Reflecting God’s Joy: Missionary Disciples-Mission Possible!” in Pittsburgh. Admittedly, the days preceding the convention were filled with both trepidation and curiosity, as Pennsylvania and the Diocese of Pittsburgh have been at the epicenter of the most recent abuse scandals rocking the Catholic Church. Prior to our arrival, our NCCW President issued a statement saying that while we would be praying for healing, we were not going to be debating this topic at the convention out of respect for our Pennsylvania hosts and participants. Within the first hour of the Opening Session on Thursday morning, we were quickly reminded of the many good works performed by our Church, especially through the NCCW’s partnership with organizations such as Catholic Relief Services and Cross Catholic Outreach, as well as our efforts to combat human trafficking in cooperation with the U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking and our new pen pal program to connect school children in the Holy Land with their counterparts in the U.S. Throughout the weekend, as we listened to the featured speakers, we received messages of hope and joy, and we were called upon to pray and to act.

Our keynote speaker, Bishop Caggiano of the Bridgeport Diocese, conveyed a most inspiring message of Christian Hope for a time in the Church that he referred to as a “spiritual twilight.” He said it is our baptismal gift of Hope that allows us to trust in God, provides the opportunity for a spiritual renewal, and makes our mission of sharing the joy of the gospel possible. Perhaps the most powerful image he delivered, for me, was in his invitation for us to “sit before the Cross,” the place “where Hope is born.” He called the Cross “a mirror of our souls,” for when we look upon the Cross, we see ourselves as “beloved sinners.” That “mirror of the Cross” and the Hope we receive at the foot of the Cross demands not only that we forgive others but also asks us to forgive ourselves if we are to move forward in our roles as missionary disciples. I encourage everyone to visit the NCCW website for a link to the audio version of Bishop Caggiano’s talk.

Last year was my first time attending the NCCW convention. I am so grateful to have had the opportunity to again share in the prayers, laughter, and education of other Catholic women from all over the country. I look forward to bringing this “Mission of Sharing God’s Joy” back to the Deanery. Mission Possible.

The Wasatch Deanery will be holding its next meeting on October 20th at St. Francis Xavier in Kearns. We look forward to sharing our plans for the upcoming months as well as for Council Sunday, which is the following day. St. Vincent de Paul will be installing new officers and sponsoring Coffee and Donuts on Council Sunday. St. John the Baptist will be hosting a newcomers’ breakfast for Council Sunday. Both CCWs are opening the year with ice-breaker activities. Blessed Sacrament will be holding their annual Council Sunday Ladies Tea. Four of our Affiliates are welcoming new Presidents, as we start this new Council year: Gina Bowen, St. Francis of Assisi; Kim McGlinn, St. John the Baptist; Roxann Vredenburg, St. Thomas More; and Sophe Derrick, St. Vincent de Paul. Those returning for another year as President include: Kim Matus, Blessed Sacrament; Monica Villar, San Andres; Jaclyn Jacquez, St. Francis Xavier; Lydia Moore, St. Joseph the Worker; and Lydia Farnell, St. Peter. I would like to extend a special thanks to Blessed Sacrament and St. Peter for contributing a silent auction basket and donation, respectively, to the Give Me a Chance Fundraiser in August. The Wasatch Deanery also sent a basket, and Nancy Reading, our Vice-President, donated a basket on behalf of the DCCW. For more information on happenings around the Wasatch Deanery, as well as the Diocese and NCCW, please visit our Wasatch Deanery Council of Catholic Women Facebook page. Our Historian, Catherine Ford-Barbiero, also posts inspirational prayers daily.



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Members of the Blessed Sacrament CCW prepare and serve dinner at the Fisher House in SLC. The Fisher House provides a place for families to stay, free of charge, while their loved one is receiving medical treatment at the VA Hospital.



UPCOMING MEETINGS

DCCW Board Meeting: September 22, 2018
St. Helens, Roosevelt

DCCW Board Meeting: November 10, 2018
St. Joseph the Worker, aa West Jordan

DCCW Past President's Lunch, Dec. 8, 2018
Ogden, Utah

NCCW Affiliate Dues deadline—Dec. 31, 2018

DCCW Board Meeting, January 26, 2019
Salt Lake Deanery

San Francisco Province Meeting—
March 29-31, 2019, San Francisco

DCCW Board Meeting—April 26, 2019 and
DCCW Annual Convention—April 27-28, 2019
Sheraton Salt Lake City

DCCW Board Meeting— June 2, 2019
Northern Deanery

NCCW Annual Convention—Aug. 21-24, 2019
Atlanta, Georgia

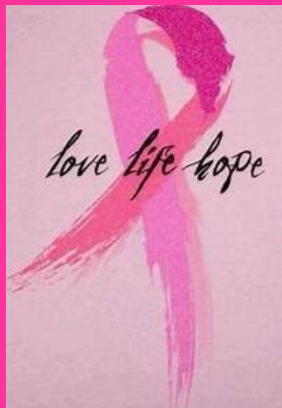
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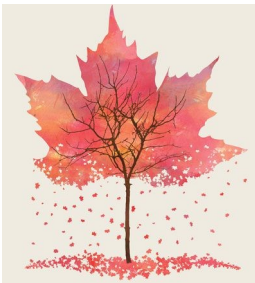
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