Salt Lake City Diocesan Council of Catholic Women

Board Meeting: November 2, 2024 NCCW President-Elect's Report

My recent articles in the *Catholic Woman* magazine and our Aware newsletter have centered on the themes of gathering together and why that is so important to our faith and our mission as members of the Council of Catholic Women. While a personal journey for all of us, our Catholic faith is one that celebrates in community and the central purpose of our celebration is the Eucharist. How fitting that the theme for our 2025 NCCW Convention is Believe in the Eucharist: Blessed, Broken, and Shared.

Most of us are active in our parish women's groups and have at least monthly interaction with those women. Involvement with your deanery and the DCCW leadership creates additional opportunities for gathering and interaction. If you have been discerning ways to become more involved and foster new and deeper friendships with Catholic women, I encourage you to prayerfully consider becoming involved in CCW leadership. Pray, discern, and listen for your fiat.

Our National Council is working hard planning our next Convention in Orlando, Florida, in August 2025. We hope you are already planning to attend and participate in this Convention. While as national and diocesan councils, we only gather in person once a year at our Conventions, there are other opportunities to gather year-round.

Our NCCW leadership stays busy throughout the year with many ways for our members to gather virtually to stay connected and engaged with NCCW, each other, and our faith. I strongly encourage you to participate as your schedule allows in the monthly Rosary calls and to make time for our Member Calls. Our next Rosary call is Wednesday, November 13, and our next Member Call is the following Wednesday (November 20) and will feature the Education Committee and their NCCW Tree of Life presentation. Whether you can join them live or watch the member call replay on the NCCW website, these are wonderful ways to stay informed and support your faith throughout the year.

May Our Lady of Good Counsel pray for us.

Respectfully submitted by, Amy Kennedy, NCCW President-Elect