

**SAINT MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH, WEST HAVEN**  
**Submitted by: Margaret Sanchez, CCW President**  
December 2025 - February 2026 Affiliate Report

**December 2025:**

December 7th- For two weekends the ladies sold poinsettias for the church in order to decorate the altar for the Christmas season. We sold 60 poinsettias. The altar looked beautiful.

December 9th- Held annual Advent Dinner at Hug Hes Restaurant. 30 ladies and 1 Deacon attended. It was a very nice event. We had dinner and played our Christmas ornament give away game. The ladies enjoyed themselves. The dinner was in lieu of our December meeting.

December 13th- Held our annual Christmas Bingo. It was a big success. We filled the room this year. We had raffles, food, and plenty of Bingo games. This event is one of the largest fundraisers we do during the year. The parishioners support the Bingo because they can bring out the whole family and have fun, and we have some great prizes for winners

December 15th- CCW sponsored the first out of 9 Masses for the Simbang Gabi which is a devotional Filipino nine-day series of Masses in anticipation of Christmas. We participated in the procession and provided the meal for after the 1st Mass. The ladies were very honored to be a part.

**January 2026:**

January 20th- We will hold our annual Infant Baby Jesus Shower. We hold a shower for baby Jesus. The ladies bring layette gifts for newborns up to 3 months of age. We play baby shower games, have potluck dishes the ladies provide, show off our gifts and finish off the shower by singing Happy Birthday to Baby Jesus. We donate all layette items to Catholic Community Services in Ogden for their St. Baby Martha project which provides layette items to new mothers.

January 20th- Will begin our process for nominations for the Women of the Year and The Golden Rose Award.

January 24th- The ladies will attend the Northern Deanery "Girls Just Wanna Have Fun" Social.

January 27th- Women's Adoration.

**February 2026:**

February 9th- Will Donate \$300 to the Boys Scout for assisting the CCW with Bingo night.



February 17th- Rosary & CCW Meeting

February 20th- Will begin hosting the first Lenten Soup and Movie Night. We host soups and a movie each Friday during the Lenten season. We have a lot of support from the parishioners. Every Friday after the Stations of the Cross is the time we start. We host up until the week of Holy Week.

February 24th- Women's Adoration.

### **HOLY FAMILY**

**Submitted by: Judy Mellott, CCW President**  
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At our November meeting, we had a game night. There were prizes and everyone had a lot of fun participating.

In November we hosted the Northern Deanery Meeting where we provided a continental breakfast and lunch.

In December we had our annual Christmas Pot Luck Dinner. The ladies participated in a fun gift exchange game. It was a night to relax and enjoy each other's company.

January, we will help plan and participate in our Northern Deanery Social.

We are in the middle of getting a speaker from the Children's Justice Center to come speak at our February meeting. We will bring some donated items that they are collecting as well as a cash donation.

### **SAINT ROSE OF LIMA**

**Submitted by: Monica Rich, CCW President**

The Council of Catholic Women at St. Rose is committed to supporting the call of the Catholic Church throughout 2025. This commitment is now being extended to our entire parish family and all ministries for the new year, 2026.

Each week, the travel chalice continues its Vocation journey, moving to the home of a different St. Rose of Lima Parishioner.

After a six-year hiatus, the Senior Thanksgiving meal, hosted by the CCW and K of C, was a success. The event was well-received, and the attending seniors expressed their gratitude for the thoughtful gesture.

In collaboration with the youth ministry, we have prepared and distributed sack meals for the homeless. Distribution points include the Panther shelter, food pantries in Ogden, and the Department of Workforce Services (DWS) offices in Clearfield and Ogden.

Currently, we are unable to supply meals to the Warmer Center in Clearfield due to their operational schedule, which restricts them to opening only when the temperature drops below 18°F. To combat the risk of frostbite among the county's homeless population, we are collecting essential items such as coats and hats.

The St. Vincent Society actively serves the Northern Deanery areas. Last year, thanks to the support of our parishioners and the Knights of Columbus from St. Rose, St. Joseph, and Holy Family, the society successfully prevented several families from experiencing homelessness.

The Advent Season concludes with celebrations that highlight our community's rich diversity. We commemorate this period with events like the feast of the Virgin of Guadalupe, Posadas, and Simbang Gabi. These celebrations are followed by joyful occasions where we share meals and spend time visiting with friends.

The new Vocation Ministry, established to encourage individuals to discover their God-given talents, held its inaugural training in November 2025 with eight adults participating. This ministry will be formally blessed at all masses on January 17th and 18th. We will have a table available for parishioners to offer prayers and messages, or to request a mass, for the seminarians of the Diocese.

The Fish & Loves Food Bank urgently requires a new heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) system. This upgrade is necessary to meet inspection requirements and ensure they can continue providing essential food services to families in need. The estimated cost for these critical updates is \$15,000. CCW and C of K are currently working to raise funds to help cover this expense.

Mano Amiga Ministry and CCW at St. Rose is preparing to make burritos, coffee to distribute at the homeless shelters in April. More to come about the project.

We have our Lunar year Eggroll sale coming in February to support the Youth group.

Please check St Rose social media for our retreats coming up in January and February.

Here are the upcoming events and ministries at St. Rose:

**Mano Amiga Ministry and CCW Project:** In April, these groups will prepare burritos

and coffee for distribution to local homeless shelters. More details on this project will be shared soon.

**Youth Group Fundraiser:** Support our Youth Group by participating in the annual Lunar Year Eggroll Sale, which will take place in February.

**Retreats:** Be sure to check St. Rose's social media for information regarding upcoming retreats scheduled for January and February.