DCCW BOARD MEETING . PRAYER SERVICE

Opening Prayer:

Leader 1: In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Lord, as we prepare to begin our meeting, we recall your promise to be present when two or three are gathered in your name.

ALL: Lord, forever present, hear our prayer.

Leader 2: May your wisdom and judgment be our guide as we strive to achieve our shared goals. Inspire us with your Spirit of wisdom; plant seeds of your vision in our hearts and minds; give us humor and humility as we work with one another and look ahead to our convention tomorrow.

ALL: Lord of wisdom, hear our prayer.

Leader 1: Grant us guidance and direction, so we too may be called to an encounter with Jesus and experience a transformation. As we yield more of ourselves to You, may we begin to reflect Your light to others.

ALL: Lord of guidance, hear our prayer.

Leader 2: Your Word says in Colossians 3:17, "And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." Thank you for blessing our time together. Help us make new connections and gain wisdom to do the work you've set before us.

ALL: Lord of blessings, hear our prayer..

You said to love our neighbor, as we love ourselves and care for the weak. We seek peace in a world, so often in strife, and to live by your teachings, all through our life. So we pray, for justice and peace to reign, in this world torn apart, by war and pain. May your wisdom and your mercy, light our way, and may we always seek to follow you, each day. In Jesus' name, we pray, 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, thank You for inviting us into Your presence. As we conclude our meeting, we lift our hearts in deep gratitude for your unending love and the many blessings you have bestowed upon us. We are grateful for the strength you provide in our daily lives, and for the hope that shines through, even in our darkest moments. We pray that your blessings will follow us throughout the weekend. May we carry this thankfulness with us as we ready ourselves for the convention ahead, sharing your grace and kindness. Amen.

May God
bless you
abundantly
with His love,
His grace and
His peace.
Amen