

Report from Our Province Director

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NCCW Moving Forward

My Dear Sisters,

This Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy is a special time for all of us as members of the National Council of Catholic Women (NCCW). We all do good deeds by serving and praying for others every day. What we would like you to do is record all of those good deeds that you do. Throughout this year, NCCW started counting every work of mercy we perform. We feed the hungry, pray for our friends and family, visit the sick, serve funeral lunches, and the list goes on. Jane Carter is asking us to tally up our works and send to her either by email or regular mail to be added toward the million works. I urge all of us to take part in helping reach this goal. Forms can be found on the NCCW website www.nccw.org. Click on the link right in the middle of the home page.

As a member of the NCCW Board of Directors, I bring good news about our organization. We are solvent and moving forward; however, we need your memberships to maintain that momentum. As a way to say thanks to all of you who are current or potential Individual Members, dues have been decreased to \$50.00 annually. We need to increase membership to remain a viable organization. We as the Province of Milwaukee* have a goal of increasing membership by 25 percent in each diocese by the next NCCW annual convention being held in Dallas, TX, next September. Membership information can be found at www.nccw.org. Click on the Membership tab at the top of the page. Join now, and you will receive a new membership packet in addition to the benefits listed on the web page.

If you are a Facebook user, be sure to “like” the National Council of Catholic Women. The NCCW website is improved including more search features.

When you become an Individual Member of NCCW, you can log in on the website and have access to your personal information. If you missed an issue of the Connect newsletter, you can download them after logging in. Learn all about the work of the Commissions.

I just want to share this with all of you. You as leaders are leading an organization of volunteers. The fact that people show up speaks volumes as to what we are doing. Employees show up because they are getting paid, but our CCW sisters show up because of who and what we are. I want you to know that you are doing an awesome job and that any organization — whether it be work, church, family, the country — is run by the people who show up. You are leading volunteers and that has to make you feel pretty good. Jesus was the first leader of volunteers, and look how far they went.

Have a GREAT day and know that all you do matters!

Be sure to mark your calendars for Sept. 6-9, 2017, for the national convention to be held at the Hilton Anatole in Dallas, Texas.

May God give you special blessings as we continue toward Thanksgiving, Christmas, and the start of a New Year.

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*The Province of Milwaukee encompasses all of Wisconsin.