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"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."

A partial Quote from the <u>Prayer to Our Lady of</u> <u>Good Council</u>, Patroness of the Council of Catholic Women!

# NEWSLETTER WEST DANE VICARIATE Council of Catholic Women!

Affiliated with the Diocese of Madison Council of Catholic Women (MDCCW) & National Council of Catholic Women (NCCW)

JULY 2022

Connecting Catholic Women in the West Dane Vicariate of the Diocese of Madison

In JULY the Church celebrates the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Elizabeth of Portugal, St. Maria Goretti, St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, St. Mary Magdalene, St. Bridget, St. James, Apostle, Saints Joachin and Anne and St. Martha

# This

# Vicariate President's Message

This month we celebrate the Blessed Virgin Mary, along with the Declaration of Independence, July 4, 1776, and the birth of the National Council of Catholic Women in 1920! We honor Mary by celebrating her as the mother of Jesus, along with many other titles. This blessed country we live in has been dedicated to her. The Prayer to Our Lady of Good Council asks for her help to be "Loving Leaders of the Church." NCCW was founded by women dedicated to service to the Catholic Church, after a request from the bishops. We have grown and continue to grow in new directions with new programs to support.

Has your CCW decided on a project for the summer? Possibly Walking with Moms in Need would

be that project. Now that Roe vs. Wade has been overturned, we may see more need for helping Moms. Are you thinking about Boxes of Joy? Plan now to obtain your supplies! July 25 is the Pope's World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, another great reason to celebrate. Have a CCW picnic, make it a simple gathering and celebrate your dedication and hard work for the Council of Catholic Women.

May we always pray the NCCW Prayer to Our Lady: 'Intercede for us, that we may be Wise, Courageous and Loving Leaders of the Church.'

## Sue Barker

Sue Barker, President West Dane CCW Vicariate "If Not Me, Who? If Not Now, When?"

GATHER AT THE NCCW CONVENTION

November 2~5:

DAILY LITURGIES WORKSHIOPS EDUCATIONAL SEMINARS MEDITATION OPPORTUNITY SILENT AUCTION

#### KEYNOTE SPEAKER ELIZABETH (Liz) KELLY

Spiritual Director, Author of Love Like a Saint and Jesus Approaches, and Monthly Catholic Columnist

Log onto www.nccw.org for the full schedule and details!

**Registration Opens July 1st** 

# open HEARTS

Abiding in Faith, Hope and Love

Held at the Marriott Minneapolis City Center In the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

2022 CONVENTION

NCCW

CATCH THE BUS! Columbia North Vicariate Council is chartering a bus to Convention! Save a seat for you? Contact : Mona Matijevich at 1inamelon@maqs.net

Events at your parish in the West Dane Vicariate?

Send information to joanpregler@gmail.com by the 25th of the month prior to the event.

## PARISHES

#### In the West Dane Vicariate Ashton - St. Peter Parish Rev. Christopher Gernetzke, Pastor **Cross Plains - St. Francis Xavier** Rev. Scott Jablonski, Pastor Martinsville - St. Martin of Tours Rev. Christopher Gernetzke, Pastor Mt. Horeb - St. Ignatius (St. Michael the Archangel Parish) Rev. Chahm Gahng, Pastor Paoli - St. William (St. Christopher Parish) Rev. Robert Butz, Pastor Perry - Holy Redeemer (St. Michael the Archangel Parish) Rev. Chahm Gahng, Pastor Pine Bluff - St. Mary of Pine Bluff Very Rev. Richard M. Heilman, VF. Pastor Verona - St. Andrew (St. Christopher Parish) Rev. Robert Butz, Pastor Waunakee - St. John the Baptist Rev. Msgr. James Gunn, Pasto Westport - St. Mary of the Lake Church Rev. Msgr. James Gunn, Pastor

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- President: Sue Barker St. Andrew Church, Verona
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- Join Our Growing Council!

No Active Parish CCW? Connect with Catholic Women around the area! Contact Rosa Ropers at rosa.m.ropers@gmail.com

The Mission of the NCCW is to Support, Empower, and Educate all Catholic women in Spirituality, Leadership and Service

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#### **CALENDAR of EVENTS**

through September Individual parish CCW Bake Sales! Host yours this month! Autumn 2022 West Dane Vicariate Gathering at St. Martin of Tours. Stay tuned! Date T.B.D.

November 2-5, 2022 NCCW Convention - Minneapolis, MN

# SPIRITUALITY Patriotic Rosary to be held July 4, 2022, 7:00pm

A Patriotic Rosary in honor of Independence Day will take place in the old Church at St John the Baptist, Waunakee, on Monday, July 4, 2022 beginning at 7:00 pm. Please join us for this beautiful prayerful petition-style rosary, which includes patriotic writings and songs, prayers for our state and national leaders as well as a Hail Mary for the citizens of each state. All are welcome.

# AROUND OUR (WEST DANE) VICARIATE

St. Michael the Archangel Parish St. Ignatius Church, Mt. Horeb Holy Redeemer Church, Perry

There are some wonderful and inspiring activities happening at St. Michael the Archangel Parish! Here are a few:

\* The all-parish CCW Rummage Sale is July 15-16 \*A Meal Ministry assists those families who are experiencing a challenge, like coming home from the hospital, new baby, or even for those who need a home-cooked meal on occasion.

\*Volunteers work at the Multi-Cultural Center every 4th Thursday of the month for baking, cooking or serving.

\*A Prayer Chain is actively engaged

\*A Funeral Luncheon group serves the parish \*CCW Cookbooks are still available for purchase from the parish office.

\*The youth are involved in the service mission called Love Begins Here

\*The annual Parish Picnic is Sept. 25th

#### Thank You Columbia North Vicariate

and especially All Saints Parish in Berlin for hosting the MDCCW Convention! We had a wonderful time meeting our neighboring CCW sisters, learning from the many vendors and especially our keynote speaker Susan Hilliard! Experiencing the rich liturgy concelebrated with Bishop Hying and being treated to a delicious lunch gave us renewed strength for our journey!

# SERVICE **CHRISTMAS** in JULY Stock up now for Box of Joy!



The diocesan-wide service project is getting ready to take place this autumn. You and/or your parish can pack simple shoeboxes which are shipped to children in impoverished South American countries. Imagine the joy of a child receiving their only gift at Christmas from a loving neighbor! Special boxes are available and can be delivered in bulk to your parish. Drop off for filled boxes will be at St. Peter Catholic Parish, Ashton in November.

#### Get your school supplies on sale this summer as they make great box-stuffers!

Box of Joy is a project of Cross Catholic Outreach, is a Vatican endorsed Catholic Relief project offered in the Diocese of Madison by its Council of Catholic Women. For Box delivery or questions, see the information under Service Projects and Programs at www.mdccw.com



From NCCW, June 24:

"The fruits of our labors of marching, advocating, and praying for an end to abortion has come to fruition on the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus with the Supreme Court decision to overturn Roe vs. Wade.

NCCW stands with the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops in support of a society that values human life, respects human dignity, and protects the inalienable rights of all human persons from conception to natural death. We joyfully echo their statement released today on this historic day in our country."



NCCW MEMBERSHIP AFFILIATIONS If your parish CCW pays dues to NCCW, then ALL parish women are already members!

VIRTUAL AFFILIATIONS are available! Monthly ZOOM gatherings begin for individual members to stay connected and benefit from a small group format!

Individual Members Catholic women in parishes without an organized Council (CCW) can become Individual Members of both NCCW and MDCCW!

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# **LEADERSHIP** Refresh your parish CCW 'Garden'!

Just as a beautiful summer garden needs tending, water and maintenance, so does any organization, especially a Council of Catholic Women! New friends and friends-to-be are frequently arriving at our parishes with their colorful backgrounds, ideas and desires to get involved. Let them help you nourish your CCW garden by welcoming them, engaging them, training them, then watch them bloom! See www.nccw.org for ideas