

CCW BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 7, 2023

The Board meeting began with the Mother of Good Counsel prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Spirituality commissioner Nancy F. reported on the continuation of the upcoming book club for Ethical Excellence, written by parishioner/author Heidi Giebel. She will have the upcoming dates inserted in the church bulletin to encourage participation. Nancy F. has taken inventory of the Advent wreaths in anticipation of the sale to be held the last weekend of November and first weekend of December. She will fill in supplies accordingly.

Leadership commissioner Bridgette A. gave a brief overview of the National CCW convention that was held in Salt Lake City, that she and her daughter attended, on August 24-26. The current Executive Director resigned so the By-laws needed to be adjusted and updated. There was a strong push for CCW's around the country to encourage and support Adoration. The idea of a Junior CCW was discussed, which would encourage young women to get involved in their parishes, run their own projects, have their own leadership and head up service projects.

President Barbara G. will meet with Fr. John to discuss having a representative from our CCW to speak after all Masses on a weekend. The purpose of this would be to let the ladies of the Parish know that they are automatically members of our CCW, give a brief synopsis of the different areas that help is needed and the different opportunities that they can get involved with.

Discussion followed regarding the upcoming Open Meeting to be held on Oct. 5. It was decided that it would be announced that two gift certificates will be drawn at that meeting from those in attendance. Saint Faustina (Patron Saint of Gratitude in the Family) will be honored at this meeting and appetizers will be served. RSVP's will be required. The CCW Volunteer connection was sent out along with the newsletter the end of August to all registered women of the Parish.

Service Commissioner Nancy D., shared information on the upcoming CCW Social that will be held Sunday, Sept. 24. She will reach out to those women that have volunteered to help with socials.

Treasurer Nancy S. updated the Board on the upcoming charity event of the Box of Joy that will be held during the month of October. Nancy will be asking for volunteers to help assemble the boxes.

"A Box of Joy is a Christmas shoebox that is donated and packed with toys, clothing, school supplies and other treasured items by U.S. parishes, schools and groups. Each child who receives a Box of Joy also receives a rosary and a booklet in their own language that tells *The Story of Jesus*. Box of Joy provides hope to children in need. Each gift represents Christ's love, and may be the only Christmas gift they receive."

Current balance in the checkbook: \$8,900. Approximately \$500 was made by manning the KC Brat Wagon on July 28-29.

As the Volunteer Connection forms are returned, the names will be added to the various appropriate lists. Using email addresses of registered women of the Parish, an update will be sent out letting them know of upcoming events.

Secretary Leigh W. shared the information on the CCW Bake Sale that will be held the weekend of Sept. 23 & 24 after all the Masses. An email will be sent out to those women that have volunteered to either work or supply baked goods.

Respectfully submitted,
Leigh Weiss, CCW Secretary