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April 29 – 30, 2022 Convention

Bavarian Inn Lodge

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Detroit Province Council of Catholic Women

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Prayer to Our Lady of Good Counsel

Patroness of the National Council of Catholic Women



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 National 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.

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Council of Catholic Women of the Province of Detroit, act through parishes to support, empower and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership and service.

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NATIONAL COUNCIL OF
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April 2022

Dear Most Reverend Robert Gruss, Bishop of Saginaw Diocese, Spiritual Advisors, and Council Sisters:

I am pleased to have the opportunity to greet you and offer my prayers for the success of your Detroit Province CCW Triennial Convention. I was reminded of Pope Francis's Encyclical: *Fratelli Tutti* when I reflected on your convention theme: Beacons of Light. Throughout *Fratelli Tutti*, Pope Francis asks us to search for a ray of light in the midst of what we are experiencing, to be beacons of light for the journey, and encourages us to create a different culture in which we include everyone, resolve our conflicts, and care for another. Among other scripture citations, Pope Francis cites: 1 Jn 2:10: "Whoever loves a brother or sister lives in the light, and in such a person there is no cause for stumbling".

I hope you enjoy your convention and are making plans to attend the NCCW Convention in Minnesota, November 2-5, 2022, where we will unpack more of the concepts of *Fratelli Tutti*.

Our Lady of Good Counsel pray for us.

Peace and Joy,

Pat

Patricia Voorhes
President, NCCW



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April 2022

Welcome, my wonderful Catholic Sisters!

The Detroit Province Council of Catholic Women is so happy to share this Convention, Beacons of Light, with you. It has been in the planning for three years. I know you are going to enjoy it.

For two days we will pray together, learn together, eat together, shop together, maybe even cry together, have fun together, be thankful together. We are **BETTER TOGETHER!**

The presenters will give us information to think about. They will stretch us to new heights of understanding. You might even have time to venture out shopping, visit Bronner's and their chapel. Hope you can find something special. And of course, the most important time will be our Mass with our Priests and Bishops and the Sacrament of the Eucharistic. Jesus is coming. We will see His Light.

We will go home very blessed and share His Light. Let His Light shine thru you. "Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify you heavenly Father." Matthew 5:16.

I'm just so glad you can join us.

In Mary, our Mother,

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ARCHBISHOP OF DETROIT

April

Dear Sisters in Christ,

I am glad to have this opportunity to greet you on the occasion of the Triennial Province Convention. Know of my prayers for all of you as you gather to share in the journey of faith, rejoicing in the sisterhood you have in Christ.

This year's theme for the assembly is "Beacons of Light." As faithful ministers of the Light of the World, Jesus himself, your work helps bear witness to the Gospel he brought for our salvation. I thank you for doing so, and pray that you will continue to carry out this mission. The Church has always needed women who, like the women at the tomb at Easter, delight in declaring their witness to the risen Christ.

Under Mary's intercession and protection, may we be filled with the strength and courage to share Christ in our homes, parishes, communities, and in the world. With all best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,


The Most Reverend Allen H. Vigneron
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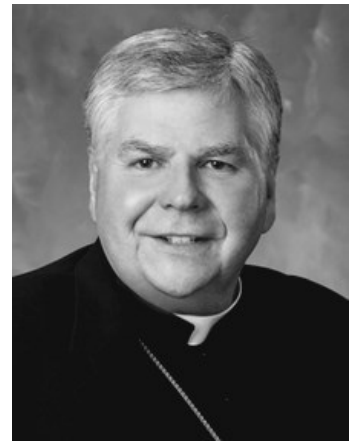
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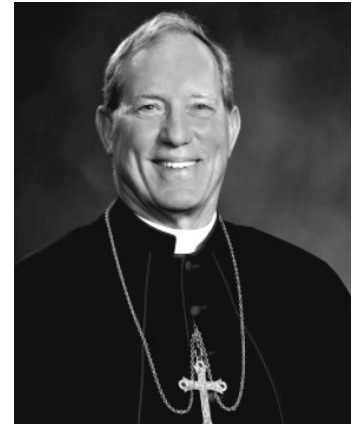
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April 2022

Detroit Province Council of Catholic Women

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the City of Frankenmuth, I would like to welcome you to Frankenmuth as you gather for your triennial convention.

The community of Frankenmuth was founded in 1845 by a group of fifteen German-Lutheran missionaries who came to this area to teach Christianity. Our Christian heritage remains strong as our small city of fewer than 5,000 residents is home to eight church congregations. While the eight groups reflect different denominations, they are alike in also serving as “Beacons of Light” through spirituality, leadership, and service. During your visit, I am hopeful you have an opportunity to celebrate Mass at Blessed Trinity Catholic Church – just a five-minute drive from the Bavarian Inn Lodge.

Congratulations to you, the National Council of Catholic Women, as you celebrate 102 years of service! Thank you for choosing Frankenmuth and the Bavarian Inn Lodge! We hope your time together is an inspiration in furthering your work as Beacons of Light.

All the best,

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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Beacons of Light

April 29, 2022

Dear Sisters in Christ:

Greetings to you in Christ Jesus! It is wonderful that you are here today!

You are in my prayers this weekend and I'd like you to know that the Mass I celebrate during this DPCCW Convention will be offered for you and for your intentions.

Beacons of Light as the conference theme and the image of a lighthouse used to convey this theme are apropos for all Christians. We know that lighthouses serve several critical purposes. As an aid in navigation, they warn of potential danger and guide mariners to their destinations. In a similar way, as Christians, we are called to be light in the darkness, guiding others to the refuge and salvation found in Jesus Christ.

The Lord said: "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." *John 8:12*

There is no question we need bold witnesses today who are filled with the love of Jesus Christ and who desire to bring hope into the darkness of our wounded world.

During these days, you will have an opportunity for prayer and fellowship. You will hear from inspiring speakers, and we will have an opportunity to come together for the celebration of Mass. It is my prayer that during this time you will be renewed, refreshed and encouraged in your own faith life, and then share what you have received, being a beacon of light for your families, friends, parishes and community.

May the Holy Spirit be poured out afresh upon all of you and may you experience unexpected blessings during this special time together. Wishing you all much

Peace and joy in Christ,

+ Robert D. Gruss

Most Rev. Robert D. Gruss
Bishop of Saginaw

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At times our own light goes out and is rekindled by a spark from another person. Each of us has cause to think with deep gratitude of those who have lighted the flame within us.

Detroit Province Council of Catholic Women
“Beacons of Light” Convention
April 29-30, 2022

Schedule

Friday:

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|---------------|--|
| 12:00-1:15 pm | Convention registration / Silent Auction / Vendors / Fun Boxes |
| 1:30 pm | Opening Ceremony/ Welcome / Prayer |
| 2:30 pm | Father Patrick Maher, DPCCW Spiritual Advisor |
| 3:00 pm | Elizabeth Gengle-- <i>Discernment: Light for the Interior Life</i> |
| 4:40 pm | Rosary at Blessed Trinity Church |
| 5:00 pm | Eucharistic Liturgy / Blessed Trinity Church 958 E. Tuscola St. Frankenmuth, MI 48734 |
| 6:00 pm | Free time |
| 6:50 pm | Fun Boxes / Purse Auction / Banquet / Entertainment |
| 9:15 pm | Evening Prayer |

Saturday:

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| 7:30 am | Vendors / a la carte hospitality snack |
| 8:30 am | SoulCore** Nancy Trela, Archdiocese of Detroit |
| 9:00 am | Sister Janet Schaeffler, O. P.— <i>Beams of Hope in Today’s World</i> |
| 10:00 am | Break & vendor time |
| 10:30 am | Bill Richart— <i>Priests that Changed the World</i> (multi-media) |
| 11:30 am | Lunch / free time / vendor time |
| 1:30 pm | Silent Auction Results / PD Comments, etc. |
| 2:00 pm | Sheri Wohlfert— <i>Being a Daughter of God: How to Turn Your Flicker Into a Flame</i> |
| 3:00 pm | Blessing of the Hands |

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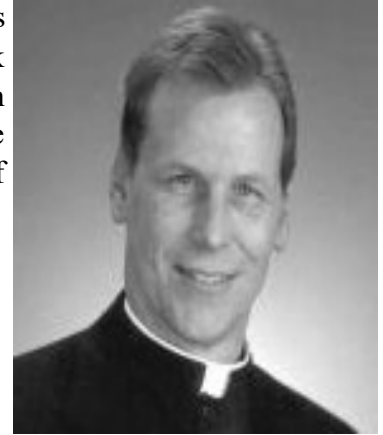
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We are proud to present.....

Reverend T. Patrick Maher

Rev. T. Patrick Maher was born in Detroit and grew up in Birmingham. He is a priest of the Diocese of Gaylord. Father was ordained by The Most Rev. Patrick R. Cooney on June 8, 2002, and is celebrating his 20th anniversary of ordination this year. Fr. Patrick has served as Spiritual Advisor to the Gaylord DCCW since 2012 and is our Detroit Province CCW Advisor as well. He is presently Pastor of St. Paul, Onaway and St. Monica, Afton.

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Sr. Janet Schaeffler, OP



Sr. Janet Schaeffler, OP continues the ministry she was involved in for many years in parishes and as Director for Adult Faith Formation for the Archdiocese of Detroit, as she:

- ◆ leads days of reflection/retreats, parish missions, and workshops/presentations
- ◆ facilitates gatherings and retreats for communities of women religious
- ◆ facilitates online courses for the University of Dayton and Boston College
- ◆ serves as a pastoral services team member for RENEW International

Janet has been named as one of the people who have made a "significant contribution" to the field of Christian religious education in the North American context by the "Christian Educators of the 20th Century Project," Talbot School of Theology, Biola University, La Mirada, CA.

She is the author of hundreds of articles and several publications.

Bill Richart

Bill Richart is a Catholic Lay Evangelist, musician, cancer survivor, recovered gambling addict and father to a special needs child. He proclaims the greatness of God through music, preaching and healing! After his brother Pat died of cancer in 1998, Bill decided to serve the Lord full-time. He has been blessed to minister in churches, schools, and pilgrimages in 30 states and 9 countries! Bill was honored to serve for 8 years on the National Advisory Board to the Catholic Charismatic Renewal in the United States.

Bill is married to AnnMarie, and has 2 children: Will, 16, and Faith, 11. He is the Director of Music Ministry at St. William Catholic Church in Walled Lake, MI.



We are proud to present.....

Elizabeth Gengle



Elizabeth Gengle is a graduate of the Franciscan University of Steubenville with a Bachelor's degree in Theology with a concentration in Religious Education and a minor in Mental Health and Human Services.

She has worked in various parish, Catholic school, youth ministry, and adult faith formation settings for over twenty years since her graduation. Elizabeth has presented at, facilitated, and organized numerous retreat opportunities.

Elizabeth has established Heart of the Interior Life Retreat and Speaking Ministry, dedicated to sharing the spiritual teachings of St. Ignatius of Loyola and St. John Paul II.

For more information about Elizabeth's retreat offerings visit elizabethgengle.com.

Sheri Wohlfert

Sheri Wohlfert is a Catholic wife, mom, speaker and teacher. She uses her great sense of humor and her deep faith to help others discover the joy of being a child of God. Her roots are in Kansas, but her home is in Michigan. The mission of her ministry is to encourage others to take a good look at the simple ways we can all find God doing joyful, blessed, amazing things smack dab in the middle of the laundry, ball games, farm chores and the hundred other things we manage to cram into a day.

Sheri and her husband Dave live on a small farm in Westphalia, MI. She is the mother of three adult children. She is a member of St. Mary Parish and teaches 6th grade at St. Mary Elementary School.

Sheri has a degree in Secondary education from Emporia State University in Emporia, Kansas and a Masters degree in Elementary Education from Aquinas College in Grand Rapids, MI. She is a certified Religious Education Instructor for the Diocese of Lansing.



“God is light, and in Him there is no darkness at all. “

John 1:5

Healing Racism

Purpose: At the 2022 NCCW annual convention, each Province will be able to name at least one action their councils have taken to begin reducing racism in their personal lives, in their councils and/or in their communities.

Whereas, Racism is a sinful, learned, negative behavior of prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism against others of a particular race or ethnicity
(<https://www.lexico.com/en/definition/racism>),

Whereas, Racism disrespects human life and dignity and brings injustice and illness to our national and individual souls; and

Whereas, Racism can cause great emotional, mental, and spiritual harm to both the person expressing this belief and those experiencing the effects of this belief.

Resolved, That all NCCW members will pray and promote the NCCW Prayer to Love: Healing Racism (www.nccw.org → Explore NCCW Prayer) to assist in eradicating racism and empowering council members, through the grace of the Holy Spirit, to become missionary disciples.

Resolved, That NCCW members educate ourselves and others by studying *Open Wide Our Hearts, The Enduring Call to Love*, a Pastoral Letter found on our website, www.nccw.org →NCCW News. The Letter, an accompanying study guide and other resources from the US Conference of Catholic Bishops can also be found at: https://www.usccb.org/resources/studyguide-open-hearts-2019-09_0.pdf and

Resolved, That we encourage all members to invite women of all races and ethnicities to join, become involved in our councils and to share equally in the benefits and responsibilities for the direction and development of our councils and our communities.



At each convention, the host diocese selects a charity to support. This year it is EMMAUS HOUSE.

What is Emmaus House?

Emmaus House was started in 1987 by Sister Shirley Orand and Sister Marietta Fritz. The ministry began as an extension of their jail ministry when Sister Marietta became aware that many of the women who were released from jail returned to the streets. It was apparent that women being released from jail, prison and drug rehab needed a safe place to live while re-establishing their lives.

Their purpose is to provide the women with a family-like Christian atmosphere while they are creating new lives for themselves. Their mission is to join them in their journey, walking alongside them on the road to physical, emotional, and spiritual healing, just as Christ did on the road to Emmaus.

*"The two were going to a village named Emmaus...
and Jesus drew near and walked along with them."*

Luke 24:13-15

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but will have the light of life.
John 8:12

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Be the Light!

“Apostle of Giving”

*The Past Presidents Club
of the Council of Catholic Women
Archdiocese of Detroit honors our
“Apostle of Giving.”*



*In her honor our members extend
“Congratulations to the Detroit Province 2022 Convention!”*

Susan lived as a Beacon of Light. May she now rest in that Light.

Susan Chambers was a member of the Council of Catholic Women/Archdiocese of Detroit for over 35 years. During those years she was an affiliate representative, served as archdiocesan president from 2012-2014, and as co-president from 2017-2019.

She chaired the Caps for Kids collection, sold Holy Bears to raise funds, began our yearly archdiocesan baby showers, and organized regional days.

She also was the Detroit Province Convention vendors chairperson. She attended many NCCW Conventions, was a Supporting Member, and honored the archdiocesan council with the purchase and donation of the 100th Anniversary Banner and History yearbook.

Susan Chambers

June 12, 1952 - December 27, 2021

‘Well done, my good and faithful servant.’

Matthews 25:23

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**LDCCW would like to extend our Blessings and
Love to our Bishop Earl Boyea, all the Bishops,
and those gathered here in Frankenmuth**

~ Let your light shine before others ~

Matthew 5:16

*She knew that she was formed by God's hands,
dreamed up in His heart
and placed in this world for a purpose* 

**The Lansing Diocese Council of Catholic Women needs growth!!
We welcome all women of our Diocese to share our gifts of faith, talent,
and ideas for community outreach.**

*Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life."
John 8:12*

CELEBRATING OUR BEACONS OF LIGHT

The Archdiocese of Detroit /CCW was formed on March 18,1939. Since then, thirty-seven women have served as President. Several of these women served on the Province and/or NCCW level:

1966-1968 Mary McIntosh - Past NCCW Director
1972-1974 Bernice Zilly - Past NCCW President
1979-1981 Stephanie Quinley - Detroit Province Director
1993-1995 Margaret (Peggy) Ripullo - Detroit Province Director
2002-2004 Julie Racine - Detroit Province Director
2008-2010 Julie Racine - Detroit Province Director
2017-2019 Kathleen Penno - Detroit Province Director
2020-2022 Kathleen Penno - NCCW Spirituality Chairperson

To continue their service, share their experience, and support new presidents, the CCW/AD Past Presidents Club was organized.

Our club members wish success for the Detroit Province Convention as we continue to be Beacons of Light.

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We acknowledge these National Council of Catholic Women affiliates for their years of dedicated service to their parishes and communities:

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St. Mary, Lowell
St. Michael, Remus
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*Congratulates the National Council of Catholic Women
(organized by the U.S. Bishops) on the 102nd Anniversary of
Leadership, Service, and Spirituality.*

*We appreciate the support you have given to the Church, Society
and Catholic women over these many years and
KDCCW being a part of this National Organization.
We are **BETTER TOGETHER!***



CONGRATULATIONS

Bishop Paul J. Bradley
on your retirement.
We will miss you.

THANK YOU

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Rita Herman*

**Congrats Carolyn Morrison, Detroit Province (State of Michigan)
Director 2021 - 2023**



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COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN IS...
CATHOLIC STRONG!*

*The GRDCCW thanks
Bishop David J. Walkowiak for his
wise counsel and generous support.*



*Congratulations NCCW,
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We thank the Detroit Province of Catholic Women for being a beacon of light to the women of Michigan.

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*You are the light
of the world.*

*A city set on a
mountain cannot be
hidden.*

*Nor do they light a
lamp and then put it
under a bushel basket;
it is set on a lampstand,
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*"I am the light of the world. Whoever
follows me will not walk in darkness,
but will have the light of life."*

John 8:12



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*For God who
said,
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of the glory of
God on the face of
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2 Corinthians 4:6



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Rita Maher, Past Province Director

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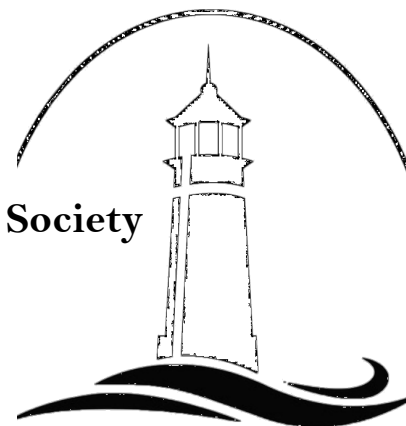
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*Grateful
thankful
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*Grateful to my friend and mentor,
Lorraine McFee,
for her loving guidance.*

Thankful to the CCW/AD Board of Directors
for their commitment to our Council.

Rita Hill (2025), Janice Popowich (2025), Kathleen Penno (2024)

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*Jesus spoke to them
again, saying,*

*I am the light of
the world.*

*Whoever follows
me will not walk
in darkness, but
will have the
light of life.*

John 8:12



On January 1, 2020,
Bishop Walkowiak commissioned
Barb Perri as the Grand Rapids
Diocesan Council of Catholic
Women's Spiritual Advisor.

Barb,
thank you for your
service and being our
Beacon of Light!

Enjoy your new chapter in life
in Florida!



BEST WISHES

for an exciting and successful
2022 Detroit Province Convention
in Frankenmuth.

Can't wait to see everyone!

Beverly (Matson) Nicholson
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IN MEMORY
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*May Our Lady of Good Counsel continue
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*In Our Thoughts
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*God Bless the
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someone's darkness*



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IN MEMORY
Sister Victoria Marie Indyk, CSSF

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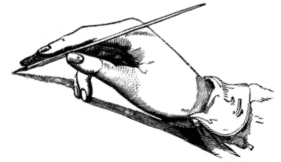
Welcome, Father David Pinto!



Fr. Pinto (L) and Bishop Paul Bradley

The Kalamazoo Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is so blessed to announce a new Spiritual Advisor has been appointed by Bishop Paul J. Bradley, Father David Pinto. He follows Father Don Klingler who had been the Spiritual Advisor for over 35 years. Fr. Pinto is the Parochial Administrator, Saint Ann Parish and Light of Christ Academy in August, MI.

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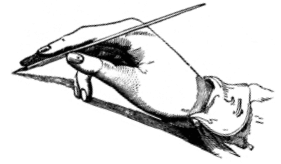
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Thank you for Coming!

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CENTENNIAL PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we give You thanks and praise for the National Council of Catholic Women's 100 years of service to the Universal Church. We are thankful for the Bishops who founded NCCW in 1920 and for the beautiful and inspiring legacy provided by our leaders, Spiritual Advisors, and NCCW sisters who have preceded us. We give thanks to Our Lady of Good Counsel for guiding us to be loving and courageous leaders in building the Kingdom of God. Lord, we pray that You stir the hearts of all Catholic women to realize the value of serving Your Church and society through membership in the NCCW. Bless us with many more workers in the vineyard as we embark on our next century of Spirituality, Leadership and Service. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.



Our Mission

The National Council of Catholic Women acts through its members to support, empower, and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership, and service. NCCW programs respond with Gospel values to the needs of the Church and society in the modern world.

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