



KDCCW President Report

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Put up willingly
with the faults of
others if you wish
others to put up
with yours.

— *St. John Bosco*

Upcoming Dates

KDCCW Annual Convention

- April 4-5, 2019
Board Meeting
on April 4th at
10am
(*St. Mary's
Parish, Oak
Ridge*)

Deanery Activity—Fall Meetings and Days of Reflection

I had the great privilege of attending the Fall Deanery meetings in each of our Deaneries this year. It was a lovely time in all. Each was filled with lovely Fall decorations, delicious food, prayerful liturgies and prayer services, warm welcomes, old and new friends, and phenomenal speakers. I was so glad to have made it to each deanery and I am encouraged to see the growth in each one. Blessed Sacrament hosted the Cumberland Mountain Deanery Fall Meeting. Kathleen Kelly graced us with a guided prayer time and reflection. They are blessed to have her as their Spirituality Commission Chair. Then Jimmy Dee gave a great talk on his favorite subject, The Handmaids of the Precious Blood. Holy Cross Catholic Church hosted the Smoky Mountain Deanery Fall Meeting. It was good to meet some new ladies there and see that affiliate in action. The speaker was Fr. Adam Kane who spoke about St. Francis de Sales and his book *An Introduction to the Devout Life*. St. Therese of Lisieux hosted the Chattanooga Deanery Fall Day of Reflection. Sr. Anna Marie McGuan from the Office of Christian Formation at the Chancery did a wonderful talk on Mary and Elizabeth, a great introduction to Advent. Notre Dame Church hosted the 5 Rivers Deanery Fall Day of Reflection. The speaker was our own Spirituality Commission Chair Sr. John Catherine Kennedy. She spoke on Mary, Undoer of Knots and gave some great insights to our journey toward Mercy. I was so pleased to have attended all these meetings and days of reflection and have great hope in the future of our organization.

Who's Who on the KDCCW Board

Officers

President—Karen Vacaliuc
 Vice President—Julie Bomar
 Secretary—Gigi Chasey
 Treasurer—Amelia Sweeney
 Immediate Past President—Pat Ryan

Commissions

Leadership—Cathy Hundley
 Legislative—Patty Johnson
 Service—Jan Byers
 Spirituality—Sister John Catherine Kennedy, OP

Committees

Corresponding Secretary—Lacey Metz
 Directory updates—Mary Cooper
 E-secretary—Aimee Place
 Historian—Kathy Morin
 Membership—Lynn Christ
 Parliamentarian—Anne Wharton
 Public Relations—Gisela Chaparro
 Training—Debbie Donahoo & Susan Tribble
 Web Mistress—Judy Collins

2019 Convention Chair—Donna Curry

Deanery Presidents

Chattanooga—Julie Bomar
 Cumberland Mountain—Nikki Kapolka
 Five Rivers—Michelle Ronsse
 Smoky Mountain—Mary Wilson

Reminders in the new year!

We are all told to make resolutions for the new year. Why not make some of those CCW-related.

Membership goals—If you aren't an NCCW member yet, what's stopping you? Register today and be a part of National organization that is a unique voice for Catholic Women today.

Affiliate goals—Is your affiliate floundering? Can you reach out to some new ladies to join? Consider visiting an RCIA class and inviting some new Catholics to join.

Deanery goals—Have you been to a deanery meeting lately? They are a lovely time and you can meet and greet ladies from all around the deanery. The spring deanery meetings will happen sometime soon and a great way to connect to others in your area.

Have you remembered to send updates to Aimee Place and Mary Cooper? They need all the updates for Deanery and affiliate board changes. Please contact them ASAP!!

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*Seek the Lord and his
 strength, seek his presence
 continually!
 I Chronicles 16:11*
