

TO: Ladies of the Louisville Province

From: Mrs. Pat Ryan, Province Director

I have recently returned from my first NCCW Board of Directors meeting held in Washington D.C. I want to sincerely thank you for giving me the honor of representing you at this meeting. The NCCW officers, commission chairs, and other directors are bright, talented, enthusiastic, and dedicated women of the church. They represent us well.

I would like to call your attention to a few things. First, I ask that you make sure that your individual NCCW membership is up to date. I do have a membership list and can answer any questions that you might have. The NCCW is sponsoring a raffle for registration and hotel expense for the 2020 Convention to be held in Arlington, Virginia in August if you become a new member before May 25, 2020. I have membership forms

Second, I would refer you to “**Connect**” on the NCCW Website and **Catholic Women** magazine for update information about what is happening on the national level. Many suggestions and ideas are presented. There is literally something there for everyone and every affiliate to adopt.

Third, I would ask you to consider attending the 2020 NCCW Convention to be held in Virginia August 26-29. A different format is being planned to help us develop “A Vision for the Future”. A birthday party will be held on the 26th to celebrate our 100th anniversary. Registration opens February 3rd. Any question that you might have can be answered by going to the NCCW website. If you are able, please plan to attend. Perhaps affiliates, deaneries, and dioceses could help fund registration fees.

Fourth, I would encourage you to attend your diocesan events that are scheduled for this spring. The Nashville DCCW is planning a “Journeying with Mary” Retreat at the Bethany Retreat House in Dickson, TN April 17-18, 2020. Deadline for registration is March 17, 2020. Contact Carol Buyna, president of NDCCW at grammy63@bellsouthnet for more information. The Knoxville DCCW is planning a convention in Morristown, TN April 23-25, 2020. Their theme is “Mary's Fiat Our Yes: A Vision for the Future”. Registration is now open. All needed information can be found on the KDCCW web site.

Thanks, again, for your many prayers and financial support.