

PROVINCE DIRECTOR REPORT

September 2020

Hello to all our friends in the Louisville Province from your Province Director, Pat Ryan. It hardly seems possible that I was just installed a year ago this month and am starting to think about my replacement. Because of the virus I have not been able to do the traveling and visiting that I had planned for the spring and summer. I think things will continue to be on hold as we move into fall and winter. It has been many, many months since I have seen and talked with you. I hope you and your family are well and that you are doing a good job taking care of yourself. That is where it all begins.

I have only a few things I would like to share with you. First, the 2021 NCCW National Convention is scheduled for August 25-29, 2021 at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Arlington, VA. We are attempting to schedule the 2022 in Minneapolis, the planned site for the 2021 convention. It is a work in progress.

We would like you to support two resolutions that would have been presented at the 2020 convention. One is to encourage support of all our spiritual advisors on all levels. It is important to keep them involved and informed and for us to show our respect and gratitude for their service to us. Second, is a new program sponsored by the bishops called "Walking with Moms in Need." This is a yearlong program in which parishes are asked to create, sponsor, continue programs that help mothers within your parish community or local community with help and assistance. I am sure all affiliates are already doing some sort of program--making blankets, collecting clothing, counseling, etc. You can find out more information about this program on the NCCW website.

Thanks for all you do for the ladies in your affiliates. During this quiet time you have an opportunity to evaluate your affiliate goals and objectives. That is something we all need to do. Sometimes it is easy to fall into the old ways and/or programs and not encourage or look at new ways/activities. It is, also, a good time to bring to new ladies into leadership positions.

Good luck to all and God bless you and yours.