

CUMBERLAND MOUNTAIN DEANERY PRESIDENT'S REPORT

MAY 2021

It's been a very trying year for Cumberland Mountain Deanery, as I'm sure it has been for all deaneries. However, we have managed to carry on in our deanery and affiliates. Some of the affiliates have been able to be creative and very successful with participation by members. Others have struggled to keep their members active.

One struggle has been fund raising and the ability to support projects as usual. Again, some creativity has proven to be successful, and affiliates have continued to provide service to their communities. Service has also been provided through donations to the Adult Community Training Project, which was our deanery project for the year.

Affiliates have worked to provide spiritual support to its members. Various affiliates have continued to meet in some form. They have had speakers, opportunities to participate in book clubs, retreat days, etc.

Cumberland Mountain Deanery had its Fall Board Meeting and General Meeting via Zoom. Father Richard Armstrong was the speaker for the General Meeting. The Winter Board Meeting was also via Zoom. On April 14, 2021 the Spring General Meeting was held in person at St. Thomas the Apostle. Zoom was also provided for those unable or not wishing to attend in person. Kathleen Kelly was the speaker. The title of her talk was "Walking into the Future Through the Eye of Love." It was so wonderful to hear the laughing and talking of women enjoying each other's company.

During the Spring General Meeting, new officers were elected and installed after Mass. The officers for the next two years are: President-Donna Curry, Vice President-Karen Miller, Secretary-Karen Meiring, and Treasurer-Karen Shutte.

Our members are looking forward to attending the KDCCW Convention this year. Thank you to all who are working to make it safe and successful. There will also be several from our deanery who will be attending the NCCW Convention this year. Cumberland Mountain Deanery has registered as a group to participate in the Walk to Convention.

Cumberland Mountain Deanery would like to thank Fr. Michael Woods for his years of service as our Spiritual Advisor. We very much appreciate his prayers and guidance. Fr. Ray Powell is our new Spiritual Advisor. We look forward to working with him.

Joan Rowe, Immediate Past President

