

Province Director's Report

Spring 2022

Congratulations to Knoxville DCCW for a successful fund raiser and Food Packing Event for Cross Catholic Outreach. Thanks to all who donated money, time, and talent to make this event happen.

Notes from the NCCW Board of Directors Meeting on Jan.22, 2022.

1. President Patricia Voorhes attended a site visit to Marriott Minneapolis October 2021.

Theme of 2022 NCCW Convention: "Wide Open Hearts Abiding in Faith, Hope, and Love".

Convention 2022: Nov. 2-5 Marriot Minneapolis City Center, Minneapolis, MN

2. Future Conventions:

2023: Salt Lake City, Utah, Hyatt Regency, August 24 – 26, 2023

2024: Oklahoma City, OK., Oklahoma Omni, August 15 – 17

3. President Voorhes represented NCCW at USCCB General Meeting in Baltimore, MD, Nov. 15-17
4. NCCW Kentucky Tornado Fund raised \$20,055. Sent check to Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Owensboro, KY.
5. Anyone can participate in the "Listening Sessions" for the Synod 2021-2023. Must register for the Zoom sessions.
6. Affiliate Memberships Renewals down by 328 nation-wide. Three in Knoxville and three in Nashville. These affiliates have been contacted and asked to renew their affiliation.
7. Individual memberships more dismal for Knoxville and Nashville. Total memberships = 202. Knoxville – 159; Nashville – 43. 83 current. 119 – expired.
8. Member Calls and Rosary Calls will continue. Member Calls are via Zoom. Rosary calls are conference calls. Member Calls are every 3rd Wednesday 7pm ET. The Rosary call is the 13th day of each month at 7:30 pm ET. The topic for February Member call is the first Listening Session of the Synod with Father Miguel Gonzales on February 16, 7 pm ET.

March 26, 2022 – March 31, 2022

9. The Synod Listening Sessions began February 16 and will ended March 30. All sessions will be summarized into one report. I attended the first two sessions with 74 and over 80 members.

10. Registration opens for 2022 NCCW Convention on July 01, 2022. Plan now to go to convention. Convention is a great experience for every member, first timers and old timers. Great speakers, beautiful liturgies, enthusiastic commission workshops, exciting events, such as, the purse auction, fund raiser event, and silent auction.
11. The Province of Louisville has a new Archbishop, Most Reverend Archbishop Shelton Fabre. He comes to us from New Orleans, LA.
12. Nashville DCCW hosted a Retreat "Our Spiritual Journey – Called to Bear Fruit, Fruit That Will Last" The Presenter was Gale Wheaton, O.P. Ms. Wheaton introduced the attendants to a 365-day pilgrimage journey through the Didache Bible and the Catechism of the Catholic Church.
13. NCCW members raised \$20, 050 for tornado victims in the Owensboro Diocese. This past month NCCW members raised over \$25,000 for refugees from the Ukraine. The money was donated to the Diocese of Owensboro, and to CRS for the refugees.
14. There have been 3 new members added since January. Karen Vacaliuc has been encouraging women of the Knoxville CCW to join and renew memberships. At the NDCCW Retreat I was speaking to the choir because most of the women present were active NCCW members. The heart of NCCW is its members! Please join or renew your membership today. You can join on the NCCW website, KDCCW website, and at the convention.
15. The 72 Hour Prayer Vigil against a satanic convention which was held in Arizona February 11-13 was fully covered by Catholic women. We also had a Rosary Call each day of that weekend. I participated in the Rosary Call all three days. If you called in early, you got to say your name and the city and state you were from.
16. I was featured in the March 18, 2022 issue of The Tennessee Register. I did the article to give Nashville DCCW and NCCW some free publicity. I was very concerned about the reporter confusing DCCW and NCCW. There were a few errors which occurred, some things I wished were in it was left out, since I was not allowed to proof the article before it was published. Overall, it was well received by the Nashville Catholic community.

Respectfully submitted by,

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