

## 2014 KDCCW Resolutions

### 1. Support for Church in Russia

Purpose: To become aware of, and spiritually and materially support the mission of the Catholic Church in Russia, particularly the Diocese of St. Joseph, Irkutsk and the Far Eastern Russia.

**Whereas:** We recognize the devastation of 70 plus years of persecution of the Church in Russia, and

**Whereas:** We believe that the prayers and support of the entire Knoxville DCCW and its affiliates will contribute to the revitalization of the Church in Eastern Russia.

**Be it resolved:**

That members of the Knoxville Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (KDCCW) will frequently attend daily Mass, pray the Rosary or say the Liturgy of the Hours with the Intention of praying for and supporting the Church in Russia, and

**Be it further resolve:**

That members will ask Mary, Our Lady of Good Counsel, who is the Patroness of the NCCW and KDCCW, to keep the Church in Russia protected, and

**Be it further resolved:**

That KDCCW and its affiliates, through the USA mission office of Mary Mother of God Mission Society, will financially and materially support the Diocese of St. Joseph, Irkutsk and the Far East Russia's programs as it rebuilds, particularly those helping children, mothers, and seminarians.

### 2. Resolution to Support Pro-Life

**Whereas:** the affiliate Councils of Catholic Women throughout the Knoxville Diocese as well as NCCW continuously promote pro-life activities and,

**Whereas:** Archbishop Kurtz, as chair of the USCCB committee on Marriage and Family Life, and now serves as President of the USCCB has requested that we support pro-life efforts and has co-written a book entitled The Gift of Joy and has also co-written The Rite of Blessing for the Unborn,

**Be it resolved:**

That the Knoxville Diocesan Council of Catholic Women support the promotion of the book, Gift of Joy, to make all aware of the precious sacredness and dignity of human life from the first moment of conception;

Be it further resolved that the Knoxville Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will generously Support this mission in the following ways,

- + Participate in prayer for the unborn
- + Publicize the above book and making parishes aware of this new Rite
- + Help in distribution of this book to the DCCW in each parish of the diocese to promote awareness and support
- + Assist in the education of the women of the diocese on the sacredness of all life

### **3. Resolution to support Pope Francis' campaign to end hunger**

**Whereas:** Pope Francis has initiated a campaign to end global hunger entitled "**One Human Family, Food for All**", and

**Whereas:** we are aware that there are people suffering from hunger right here in our Knoxville Diocese,

**Be it resolved:**

The members of the Knoxville Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (KDCCW) work to end hunger in our midst by supporting our local food pantries, by praying for an end to hunger and by reducing waste in our homes and parishes as much as possible,

**Be it further resolved:**

That the affiliates and members of the KDCCW actively participate in the NCCW Day of Fasting to End Hunger on the Thursday before Thanksgiving each year. (suggestions on how to make This a parish/affiliate activity are available at [NCCW.org](http://NCCW.org))