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FROM THE
PEN OF
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Catholic Women

Join me on this
journey through
the Madison
Diocese and meet
your CCW
sisters!

*“There are two
ways of
spreading light:
to be the candle
or the mirror
that reflects it.”*

(Edith Wharton)

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NATIONAL COUNCIL OF
CATHOLIC WOMEN

CONNECTING CATHOLIC WOMEN

IN THE DIOCESE OF MADISON

Jesus is the Light of the World; May We Become a Light of Hope

As Catholic women, we are the light of hope with our local parish efforts to uplift the initiatives of the National Council of Catholic Women. We are the voice of Catholic women.

For the Lord has commanded us, saying, “I have set you to be a light for the Gentiles, so that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth” Acts 13: 47

**AN INVITE TO ALL OUR DIOCESAN PARISHES!
SERVICE, SPIRITUALITY AND LEADERSHIP**

WELCOME and THANK YOU!

Dear Catholic Women,

As your new President of the Madison Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, I am looking forward to serving you! My theme reflects my goals for this 2-Year Term:

“Jesus is the Light of the World, May We Become a Light of Hope”



My first goal is to connect Catholic women in the Diocese to resources and activities to help all of us become lights to everyone we meet. The MDCCW survey in 2021 indicated that many women are seeking spiritual and social avenues to connect with other Catholic women.

Another goal is to visit as many parishes as I can. My home parish of St. Martin of Tours (Martinsville/Cross Plains) is connected with St Peter’s, (Ashton/Middleton). It is centrally located in the Diocese which is an advantage when traveling! I pray this newsletter will illuminate the activities and events of your parish and those within our Diocese to better connect us all to the good news of being Catholic!

I am pleased to introduce my fellow MDCCW Board Members and commission chairs:

MDCCW Board: President-elect Carol Rogers (Fennimore),

Treasurer: Julie Zenz (Lancaster), and Secretary: Coreen Marklein (Baraboo).

Commission Chairs: Leadership: Sue Barker (Verona), Spirituality: Mona Matijevich (Packwaukee) and Service: Jan Block (Lancaster).

Two of our current MDCCW/parish projects are: Boxes of Joy and Walking with Moms. For more info about MDCCW, log onto www.mdccw.com or contact me. Even if your parish doesn’t have a CCW, you can be an individual member of MDCCW for \$10 a year.

I am looking forward to connecting with you - please connect with me!

Linda Ripp

THANK YOU, COLUMBIA NORTH VICARIATE and All Saints Parish, Berlin, WI
For Hosting the 2022 MDCCW Convention !

UPCOMING MDCCW EVENTS

JULY 1st

REGISTRATION will OPEN for the NCCW Convention in Minneapolis! (Nov. 2-5). More information will be coming next month, but F.Y.I.: Columbia North Vicariate is coordinating a charter bus for your non-driving pleasure! Bus information is available from Mona Matijevich at linamelon@maqs.net. Learn more about the NCCW Convention at www.nccw.org.

MDCCW is affiliate of the National Council of Catholic Women (NCCW) which seeks to assist 9 Vicariate regions within the Diocese of Madison. NCCW acts through its membership to support, empower and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership, and service. NCCW programs respond with Gospel values to the needs of the church and society in the modern world. Learn more at www.mdccw.com and www.nccw.org