

From Our Province Director

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New Director from MDCCW

I was recently installed as Milwaukee Province Director for the National Council of Catholic Women (NCCW). Many of you know me from my past years in CCW, but I will share a little more information about myself.

John and I have been married for 52 years, have three children and seven grandchildren. We were transferred around a lot, resulting in our living in four different states, seven cities, and several different dioceses. I learned to adapt to change. We enjoyed every place we lived; and being a registered nurse, I could find a job wherever we went. When John retired, we moved back to Wisconsin to be near family. We settled in Berlin and are members of All Saints Parish. I joined CCW 17 years ago and haven't looked back. This is an organization that challenges me to grow spiritually and to put my faith into action.

Responsibilities

In my position, I serve and represent all five arch/dioceses in Wisconsin as liaison from NCCW to the dioceses. NCCW's mission statement is to "act to support, empower and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership and service." Other than my work on and with the NCCW Board, my job is to promote NCCW, keep us all connected and informed. If you have issues or concerns don't hesitate to contact me.

The NCCW Convention theme was "97 years Living the Joy of the Gospel." You will hear the theme "Joy" often in the future. Our new NCCW President, Maribeth Stewart, has named her themes for her term: "NCCW: Reflecting the Joy of God..." with a different emphasis each year.

Jean Kelly, a past Milwaukee province director, was installed as NCCW president-elect. It will be a joy working with her. Wisconsin has had so many active NCCW members, who have been great examples for us. Special thanks to Lucille Brandner for all she did for us these past two years as province director.

We would like all women to unite in prayer to pray daily for 1) all lapsed Catholics and 2) our country — for its safety and for a return to Godliness.

Save the Date

AUGUST 4 is the date for LTD (Leadership, Training, and Development) Workshop in La Cross which will be sponsored by the entire province. I look forward to working with all of you and attending your conventions and special events. Please keep me in your prayers these next two years as I continue my faith journey.

Blessings,

Carol Brennan

Milwaukee Province Director