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Affiliated with the Diocese of Madison Council of Catholic Women (MDCCW) & National Council of Catholic Women (NCCW)

Connecting Catholic Women in the West Dane Vicariate of the Diocese of Madison

June 2023

In June, We Celebrate Feasts, Memorials and Solemnities!
The Most Holy Trinity, Corpus Christi, the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus,
the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Nativity of St. John the Baptist,
and Saints Peter & Paul

Vicariate President's Message

June is here with much to celebrate. This is the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Do you honor them in a special way? First Friday and First Saturday are easy ways to accomplish this. If your church does not have mass and adoration, encourage your priest to start them and attend as a group if possible. What a wonderful way to spend time with Our Lord and his Blessed Mother! You may even get into the habit of doing this every month as they both requested.

Don't forget Father's Day, the 3rd Sunday of the month. This special day is set aside to honor our fathers, both living and deceased. Saint Joseph was the best example of an earthly father, at the side of Mary, raising their son, Jesus. We know little about him, other than the fact that he obeyed God unquestionably. As of June 26, we also have two new fathers in our Diocese: Father Mark Foley and Father Simon Tibbs. Pray they are given the strength they need to meet whatever challenges they may face, as they begin their priesthood following Christ.

As of July 1 we will no longer be called a Vicariate. We are still waiting for further information. Please continue being an active part of your CCW. See you the 27th at the MDCCW Convention in

Sue Barker,
President West Dane Vicariate Council of Catholic Women
God Love You!

Lancaster! Sue Barker,

Madison Diocesan Council of Catholic Women

CONVENTION!

Tuesday, June 27th * 9:00am - 3:00pm

Quilted Together in the Eucharist

at St. Clement Church, 135 S. Washington Street, Lancaster, WI hosted by Grant Vicariate and St. Clement Parish CCW

With guest speaker Monsignor James Bartylla!

Cost is \$35 (\$25 for first time attendees!) per registrant includes: 8:15am continental breakfast, Liturgy, lunch, and Program

Register by June 15th:

"Grant Vicariate Treasurer" Margaret Sprague 1605 14th Street, Fennimore, WI 53809

More information is available at the MDCCW Spring Newsletter online at www.mdccw.com

Set Up your car pool now and enjoy a full day of inspiration

PARISHES

In the West Dane Vicariate

Ashton - St. Peter Parish

Rev. Christopher Gernetzke, Pastor

Cross Plains - St. Francis Xavier

Rev. Scott Jablonski, Pastor

Martinsville - St. Martin of Tours

Rev. Christopher Gernetzke, Pastor

Mt. Horeb - St. Ignatius

(St. Michael the Archangel Parish)
Rev. Chahm Gahng, Pastor

Paoli - St. William

(St. Christopher Parish) Rev. Robert Butz, Pastor

Perry - Holy Redeemer

(St. Michael the Archangel Parish) Rev. Chahm Gahng, Pastor

Pine Bluff - St. Mary of Pine Bluff Very Rev. Richard M. Heilman, Pastor

Verona - St. Andrew

(St. Christopher Parish) Rev. Robert Butz, Pastor

Waunakee - St. John the Baptist Rev. Msgr. James Gunn, Pastor

Westport - St. Mary of the Lake Rev. Msgr. James Gunn, Pastor

No Parish CCW?

Connect with Catholic Women around the area! Contact Rosa Ropers at rosa.m.ropers@gmail.com



REGISTER
NOW!
MADISON DIOCESAN
COUNCIL
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CALENDAR of EVENTS

MDCCW Convention 2023

The annual MDCCW Convention will be held Tuesday, June 27, 2023 in Lancaster, Wisconsin.

NCCW Convention 2023

Path of Renewed Encounter

Save the Date August 24-26! The annual NCCW Convention will be held in Salt Lake City, Utah
www.nccw.com



SPIRITUALITY

- JUNE -

Father's Day and St. Joseph

While Father's Day became a nationwide holiday in 1972, it was established via the secular world about 58 years after Mother's Day was set. However, celebrations occurred as early as 1908 and perhaps even pagan sun worship included honoring fathers due to the summer solstice and the misconception that the sun was the father of the universe.



Today, we can easily look to St. Joseph as a father figure, worthy of emulating having just celebrated the memorial of St. Joseph the Worker on May 1st! The Bible also has much to say about fathers. Include one of these in your Father's Day cards:

"As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him." Psalm 103:13

"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it."

Proverbs 22:6

"I will be a father to him, and he will be a son to me" 2 Samuel 7:14-15

AROUND OUR (WEST DANE) VICARIATE

Our last chance to be a VICARIATE

With the Pastorate boundaries changing July 1st with the *Into The Deep* plan, Vicariate regions will no longer exist as we know it. Instead, a new clustering of pastorates will emerge that enables pastors and Catholic schools to share a new regional boundary. This is yet to be announced, so we will wait.

In the meantime, the individual strength of your new pastorate will need cultivating and growing time until we all find our place in the big picture.

SERVICE AND ALMSGIVING

St. Vincent de Paul - Madison

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul exists to help people in need. Offering food, prescription medicines, clothing, furniture, household goods, a men's housing program, a poverty remediation program and other forms of assistance without regard to someone's religion, race, gender, documented status, ethnicity or age fills gaps in services missed by other organizations.

Highlight: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Program Over the past 30 years, dozens of young mothers, women found permanent housing, and families found help at the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton House. Now, the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton House has been transformed into the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Program. Through case management support, the Seton Program helps single custodial adults (parents, grandparents, etc) with minor children set and achieve goals to become thriving families. Participants work towards financial and/or housing stability. Staff walk alongside participants to address challenges such as finding quality childcare, accessing mental healthcare or securing housing. This assistance is not a rent-assistance program, but an empowering education in becoming independent and stabile.

How can you help? Volunteers offer hope and kindness with every interaction and there are so many ways to share your time and talent. Food pantries, clothing closets and St. Vinney Stores are located throughout Dane County.

Please contact them at the main office

 2033 Fish Hatchery Road, Madison, WI 53713
 P.O. Box 259686, Madison, WI 53725-9686 or call (608) 442-7200 ext. 36

On-line, you can fill out a message form via svdmadison.org

MEMBERSHIP

AFFILIATIONS If your parish CCW pays dues to NCCW, then ALL parish women are already members!

Contacting NCCW

NCCW 10335 -A Democracy Ln. Fairfax, VA 22030

Individual Members Catholic Women in parishes that do not have an organized Council (CCW) but would enjoy becoming active and support the work of MDCCW, can become Individual members! Dues are only \$10.00/year.



NCCW represents you at:

- U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB)
- World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations,
- Catholic Social Ministry Gathering,
- Religious Alliance Against Pornography

NCCW partners with:

- Catholic Relief Services
- Cross Catholic Outreach
- Catholic Charities
- Catholic Mobilizing Network
- Center of Concerns
- Education for Justice
- AND MORE!

Why wouldn't you wish to be a part of this?

www.nccw.org

A SPIRIT-INFUSED COUNCIL

Catholic women in your newly established Pastorate are eager to build a community to serve the Church.

The Spirit of the Council: Unity of purpose, united in voice and action, similar goals as Catholic women and the opportunity to share both the efforts and rewards of this community. It is lively!

The Spirituality of the Council: Prayerful, CATHOLIC women comprise your council. All efforts aim at bettering the Catholic Church through our actions within it and our outreach charitable efforts.

The Spirit of God in the Council: Faithful women in the Council live out their Apostolic Mission, and has an immediate impact in our worship and joins us to deeper relationship together in Christ.

Find out more on the Diocesan website https://madisondiocese.org and www.nccw.org