

Letter from our President

Dear members,

March is one of the most special meetings for our members as we walk and pray the Stations of the Cross. It is time for sharing of our Catholic faith and meaningful reflection during the Lenten season. As women, we have a special connection to Mary and the opportunity to see the Way of the Cross through her eyes. I found this from the Little Sisters of the Poor and Rev Andrew Costello, C.Ss.R: It has been a Catholic tradition through the centuries to meditate on the Way of the Cross, so that it becomes our way of life. Mary, the Mother of Jesus, made that first way of the cross. These stations, called Mary's Way of the Cross, attempt to present that viewpoint. In these stations we see through Mary's eyes what Jesus was going through on the way of Calvary. Then we try to make practical applications to our lives. These stations and these words are not the heart of the matter; the heart of the matter is to go deeper and deeper into the sufferings of Christ, so that we might come out of this spiritual journey with an appreciation of what Christ did for us, and a deeper love for him and for our brothers and sisters.

We have an opportunity to take time during this meeting to be present with Mary, Jesus and each other to hear for ourselves the messages that are meaningful to us and to connect with our faith on an intimate and personal level.

I look forward to sharing the journey with you!



Our Mission

“Offering women of all ages spiritual growth, philanthropic endeavors, volunteerism, and friendship through personal involvement in projects and activities that have a focus on helping women and children in our community.”

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Upcoming Meeting



MARCH MEETING- Mon. Mar.16th 6:30pm
Stations of the at the Basilica of the Assumption located at
1140 Madison Ave, Covington, KY

Following Stations of the Cross, we will gather at The Parlor on
Seventh located at 43 West 7th Street in Covington.
We are looking forward to visiting this delicious restaurant.
Check out the website <https://www.parloronseventh.com>

RSVP TO TEDDIE CURRY (TEDDIE@FUSE.NET) BY MARCH 12TH.



Bring a friend!

Calendar of Meetings and Activities 2019-20

Meeting Dates/Activities. A tentative outline of our monthly meeting is as follows:

- **MARCH 16** – STATIONS OF THE CROSS at the Basilica in Covington, Ky followed by a dinner outing!
- **APRIL 15** —.
- **MAY 20** – MAY CROWNING – CCW House May Crowning, Dinner and year-end meeting activities (Assisting-Pat Evans and Maria Carver)

Announcements

LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD PEOPLE:



Do you want to be more involved in Cincinnati Catholic Women? Have you thought about lending your talents as a Board Member? Well, this is the time to “step up.”

Board Nominations are underway and we’d love to engage more people in the work we do. What’s involved? The Board meets 5 times a year, typically before the General Meeting. Our role is to provide oversight for the organization including engagement of the membership, fiscal responsibility, activities, house, and planning the future. We do have a few Committees – House, Membership and Meetings that require additional time commitment if you choose to serve on one.

If you are interested, let Suzy Dorward (sldorward@fuse.net) or Maria Carver (carver.maria@gmail.com) know. Questions? Send Suzy and email or talk to her at the March meeting.

Pennies From Heaven

THIS IS CCW’s ONLY FUND RAISER AND WE NEED YOUR HELP THREE WAYS

RESPOND BY MARCH 10

- Review the list Teddie sent out and send her any deletions teddie@fuse.net
- Look through your “Friends” list and identify, at least, 5 NEW prospects. SEND TO TEDDIE USING THE FORM SHE SENT
- Sign Up to help stuff envelopes and prepare mailing by MARCH 10. Stuffing party March 23.

Cincinnati Catholic Women invite you to participate in the 12th Annual

Pennies From Heaven Raffle

\$1000	First Place Award
\$500	Second Place Award
\$250	Third Place Award
\$250	Fourth Place Award

Tickets 6 for \$100 or \$20 each

Drawing May 18, 2020

Proceeds support the mission of Cincinnati Catholic Women which focuses on supporting organizations that improve and enhance the lives of women and children in our community. By supporting organizations who share our mission, we ALL provide opportunities for those who truly need a helping hand to live a better life.

Last year's proceeds helped the following organizations provide help to women and children in our community: Grace Place (a program through CAIN), Assistance League of Greater Cincinnati, St. Leo the Great Parish and Safe Families.

Your investment in Cincinnati Catholic Women is greatly appreciated. You are under no obligation to participate in this raffle. CCW is a 501(c)3.

Minutes from February Meeting

Cincinnati Catholic Women
February 24, 2020

Vice President Terri Lessnau recited the Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi as grace before our meal.

Our speaker was Bob Lessnau M.S., Director of Animal Collections at the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Gardens. Bob is also an adjunct professor at the University of Cincinnati and has done Field Work in Madagascar, Costa Rica, Panama and Kenya. He gave us a thorough overview of all the new exhibits that are soon to be completed. These include a new Gorilla viewing area, an African Penguin Exhibit and a Bald Eagle Habitat. A question and answer session followed.

I. Pennies from Heaven. Suzy Dorward asked members amend our current mailing list. New names of potential donors are needed to grow our fund. President Carol Turchick will forward a spread sheet through email so new donors can be added. A PDF format of the Pennies from Heaven will also be forwarded so we can pass along the fundraiser at our convenience.

II. March Meeting. Our annual Stations of the Cross meeting will take place at the Basilica of the Assumption located at 1140 Madison Avenue in Covington. We will recite "Mary's Way of the Cross." Dinner will follow at the restaurant The Parlor on Seventh, 43 W. 7th Street. Our April Meeting will be at La Soupe's new location and our May meeting will include our annual May Crowning and a baby shower to benefit Pregnancy Center East. More details will follow.

III. Board Elections. If any member wants to serve on the Board, please contact Suzy Dorward. Nominating Committee members are also being sought. The Board is a 3-year commitment which meets 5 times per year. There are subcommittees to fill and it is a very collaborative endeavor.

IV. Financial Report. Teddie Currie reported that our Jan. Feb. income stands at \$20,281.74. The LPL account totals \$360,400.13. Our real estate taxes have been paid.

V. Intentions. We prayed for members Katherine Miller and Pat Evans for their recoveries and good health. We also prayed that Joan Knechtly will continue making progress to be placed on a kidney transplant list.

VI. Announcements. Suzy asked for tutor and mentor volunteers at Girls Hope Boys Hope organization. Meals planned for the students are also needed between Monday and Thursday. We welcomed new member Barb Plogmann. Our guest Joanna Sonnefeld was introduced by her sister Pauline Fitzgerald. The Split the Pot winner was Kathy Hoskins. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary Ellen Sullivan

Board Members for 2019-20

Carol Turchick, President
Terri Lessnau, Vice President
Nancy Brockhoff, Vice President
Teddie Curry, Treasurer
Mary Ellen Sullivan, Secretary
Liz Glassmeyer, Corresponding Secretary
Suzy Dorward, Advisor to the President
Marty Cunningham, At Large
Pat Evans, At Large
Kathy Hosking, At Large

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