

Letter from our President



Dear CCW Members:

“Motivation is what gets you started. Habit is what keeps you going.” (Jim Ryon)

It’s a new year and you have probably made your New Year’s Resolutions for 2022. Good for you! Now, the challenge is to keep them! I often think that we feel the need to make monumental changes, Improvements or promises when a new year approaches and we often fail because it’s too much change.

Why not start this year by just modifying just one thing in your life that you feel will fulfill you and make you a happier person.

God does not ask us to do more than that. Random acts of kindness are a great way to start and acknowledge that small step as a victory. And, most of all, don’t get discouraged if you come up shy of your goals.. the fact that you tried should be celebrated. Trust in God and believe in Him and let him guide your actions. In the end,

***“Every day is a gift from God.
There’s no guarantee of tomorrow, so that tells
me to see the good in this day to
make the most of it.”***

Suzy

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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.

NEW YEAR MEETING

MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 2022 – AT THE CCW HOUSE – MAIN ROOM

6:30 P.M. – COCKTAILS AND APPETIZERS

7:00 P.M. – DINNER

**Chicken Florentine w/sauce; garlic mashed potatoes;
honey glazed carrots; Salad; Raspberry Almont Squares**

COST: \$15.00 (includes wine/beer and food)

Please EMAIL TEDDIE (TEDDIE@FUUSE.NET)

AND TELL HER YOU'RE COMING.

ALL RESERVATIONS NEED TO BE TO TEDDIE BY JANUARY 12

SPECIAL INTENTIONS:



PLEASE feel free to add your thoughts, prayers and requests (no name needed) and we will pray for them at each meeting. Fr. Barry will offer these thoughts at our Mass on January 17.

***“A prayer in its simplest definition
is merely a wish turned Godward”*** (Phillips Brooks)

December 13 Intentions:

“For those in my family who need guidance.”

“For my sisters, for strength, courage and healing

“For life to bring me happiness”

“For my daughter’s father-in-law who is dying of cancer”

“For my friends eyes to hope vision normalizes”



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“For healing for my mothers’ broken hip and successful rehab”

“For Annette – emotional healing”

“For marriages that are suffering:

Special Intentions (continued)

“For Sifa, for a healthy pregnancy and financial support”

“For all lapsed Catholics and people everywhere that they know God’s love and truth”

“For 3 young women who are hoping for healthy pregnancies”

“Mef Diesel, who is suffering from lung and brain cancer”

“Mike Boland who is recovering from both open heart surgery and hip replacement and COVID”

“Please pray for my brother Dan who has pancreatic cancer”

“Please pray for my daughter, Lillian, who is pregnant with her first child”

“For my friend, Cindy, fighting cancer”

“For my mom who is suffering from neuropathy of the hands and a leg causing sever disability. Please pray for improvement”

“For safe travels for all college students this Christmas”

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Mary Ellen Sullivan – Member since 1988.

I joined Catholic Women of Cincinnati, as it was known then, in 1988. I was new to Our Lady of the Visitation parish when I met Ann Florian, a CWC member and future President of the club. She told me about all the good charity work being done and that the meetings were held monthly in local restaurants. As a mother of 3 little ones, doing charitable work, meeting women throughout the city, AND dining out each month meant that I was in. I joined at the next meeting!

I have met so many wonderful and talented women through our club who have become lifelong friends. Serving on the Board for two terms has given me confidence to speak in public which was something I could not do beforehand. Meeting the recipients of our monies has been the most meaningful and memorable. I especially enjoyed working on the Scholarship committee when we interviewed young high school seniors heading off to college. Knowing that our members have input in those decisions, is

very important to me. Our creativity was at its peak when putting together our last cookbook. It was rewarding when our “Feast in Eden, A Garden of Culinary Delights” made the Cincinnati Enquirer’s top best seller’s list and received great reviews after it was published. Whenever I shopped at Joseph-Beth Booksellers, I made sure our cookbook was prominently displayed on the shelf (away from the eyes of

Member Spotlight – Mary Ellen Sullivan – Continued

the staff, of course.) New orders quickly followed. However, please note that the Secret Kiss Cookies recipe on page 171 apparently has a missing “secret” ingredient. You can correct that typo by writing in 2 cups of flour!

We’ve had so many terrific and successful fundraisers over the years; Fashionata being one, Winefest being another. When Debbie Goldstein and I chaired Winefest, we were the first major gala to take place at the newly renovated Bell Event Center. The morning of our setup, I remember wondering why

there were several women I didn’t recognize milling about and talking to the manager. They were future brides and their mothers surveying the space for their receptions. Debbie got Soul Pocket to perform and everyone was on the dance floor. The night was outstanding!

However, it is the speakers and the masses that we gather around that I look forward to most. I’ve learned more about my faith and spirituality surrounded by all you very interesting, intelligent and giving women. I’m especially humbled by the prayer intentions we offer up, knowing how much they lift those who need them. And as soon as this pandemic is through with us, I hope we can freely volunteer throughout the many community organizations that can use our capable and loving hands.

Thanks for your service, Mary Ellen!

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Pauline Fitzgerald
Michelle Jones
Julie Metzger**



NEW BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED.

Carol Turchick is heading up the nominations for our 2022-23 Board Members. We will need, at least, 3 people to join us in leading the group in the coming years.

What's involved? The Board meets 6 times a year (in person or virtually) and helps oversee the finances, house and meetings for the organization. Your term will officially begin Summer, 2022 (just in time to plan for the year)

Time commitment: About 1 – 1 ½ hour /mth. with extra time for special projects, should you choose to undertake.

What are the requirements? You need to be a paid member (that's \$35.00) and want to help guide CCW into the future.

How long do I have to serve? Board Members are elected to a 3-year term with the option of renewing for another 3 year term.

CONSIDER JOINING US AND PROVIDING NEW IDEAS/DIRECTION FOR THE ORGANIZATION!!!

Minutes from the November Meeting – Carol Turchick

Cincinnati Catholic Women – December 13, 2021

- Meeting was started with a presentation by Brother Tim Sucher talked about his expansive creche collection that he and his brother have been collecting since grade school. It used to be on display at the Christian Moerlein Center in OTR. He also talked about St. Francis Seraph Church and the Nativity Scene.
- Business Meeting called to order by President, Suzy Dorward
- Guests: Beth Boland, Angie Frith, Kathy
- Decorations: thanks to Lynn, Kathy, Suzy, Marty for decorating. We will need people to take down decorations. Watch your email for a request for volunteers.
- Gutters: on backorder. Maybe February before they begin work. House has been painted and under the steps has been cleaned out. More furniture to be cleaned out in early 2022.
- January Meeting: 17th. Fr. Barry and Patti Green. Need volunteers Liz, Pat, Nan, Marty will set up.
- Financials: We are in good shape. They are filed with minutes.
- We want to encourage all members to consider joining the CCW board. Please pray about it and notify Carol Turchick if you would like to learn more or are interested in joining.
- Monday, Dec. 20 a group of CCW members are going to see the Nativity scenes with Brother Tim. Please let Peggy Kenney know pkenney27@zoomtown.com.
- Meeting adjourned: Marty Cunningham and Tracy Greene
- Meeting followed by a lively ornament exchange!

Upcoming Meeting Information:

January 17, 2022 - New Year Resolutions & Women in the Bible



We will celebrate MASS with Fr. Barry Windholtz, CCW Chaplain. Guest Speaker – Patty Green (CCW Member) will present a brief overview of “The Biblical Walk Through the Mass”. She will discuss “why we do “this” or “that” at Mass.

February 21, 2022 – Meet a new face in our community!

MEET XAVIER UNIVERSITY’S NEW PRESIDENT.

Dr. Colleen M. Hanycz, Ph.D. is the 35th President of Xavier University and will be sharing her thoughts on leading this outstanding university and a little history about her journey. Dr. Hanycz comes to XU from LaSalle University where she was president since 2015. Prior to that, Hanycz served as president of Brescia University College in London, Ontario.



March 21, 2022 - Tour the Cathedral Basilica and Stations of the Cross



Tour Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption (1140 Madison Ave. Covington, Ky. At 5:00p.m. Followed by Stations of the Cross at 6:30 and dinner at a local restaurant (more details to follow)

April 18, 2022 – Catholic Art through the centuries

There is so much we can learn from the art in our churches. We welcome Ceil Dorger to our meeting as she presents on “Post Resurrection in Art”.

Cecelia Dorger-received her doctorate in Art History from the University of Louisville. Dr. Dorger teaches art history at Mount St. Joseph University. She specializes in sacred art, especially images of the Virgin Mary. She also teaches at the Athenaeum of Ohio. Lecturing about Mary in art and how art can be used to facilitate prayer is a favorite pursuit.

May 16, 2022 – May Crowning



Our annual May Crowning holds a special place in the hearts of our members. Members/guests are encouraged to bring a picture of their Mother to pray in honor of the women who have shaped our faithful lives.

June 13, 2022 – Year-End Meeting

Come celebrate our year with a cookout (spouses/significant others invited). Voting for new board members, Pennies from Heaven Winners announced and outdoor games! Don't forget, it's also "Dues paying" month!

Board Members for 2021-22

Officers:

Suzy Dorward – President

Carol Turchick – VP/Recording Secretary/Communications

Tracy Green – VP/Membership Chair

Marty Cunningham – Corresponding Secretary/Newsletter Coordinator

Edy Schlotman – Reporting Treasurer

Members at Large:

Pat Evans – House Co-Chair/Reservations

Kathy Hosking – House Co-Chair

Peggy Kenney – Newsletter Coordinator

Lynne Kraemer – Meetings/Mission

Bunny Jacobs – Funds Allocation