



May, 2022 – Cincinnati Catholic Women Newsletter

Letter from our President

Dear CCW Members:

Our May meeting is always such a special one for me. I love that we gather together to not only honor Mary but to show our appreciation and love for the other women who have been instrumental in our lives (like our mothers).

At our last meeting, we discussed the selling of our house and the Board is making preparations and a timeline to move that process forward. It is going to take all of us to accomplish this huge task as we want to make sure that we honor our history and keep those items that have significant meaning. In the meantime, we are also finalizing the agreement with the Holy Spirit Center in Norwood so that we can call that our new home. We will try to set up a time when we can meet there so that you can tour the facility. I know you will find it not only beautiful and spacious but welcoming as we try to incorporate some of our own furnishings (on loan) into this new space.

I am optimistic that this is the right next step for our organization as we focus on expanding our membership and exploring new ways to connect with our faith. Please feel free to reach out to me at any time with questions.

And, don't forget we have VOTING for Board Members at our June meeting as well as selecting the winners for the Pennies from Heaven Raffle (get your tickets now).

Thank you for making CCW the wonderful organization it is and will continue to be for our members and guests.

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.

**May 16, 2022
CCW HOUSE – 6:30
MAY CROWNING**

**This is always one of our special meetings. Please join us for our annual
May Crowning Ceremony**

(if weather permits, it will be on the front porch)

**We ask that you bring a picture of your mother or the other influential
women in your life as we will offer our prayers to them.**

MENU:

LIGHTLY Blackened Tilapia w/ Cilantro Ranch on the side

Garlic Roasted Red Skin Potatoes

Nantucket Vegetable Blend

Bibb Lettuce Salad w/ Dried Cranberries, Toasted Pistachios and Feta Cheese Ranch Dressing &
Champagne Vinaigrette

Homemade Mini Kahlua Brownies and Mini Funfetti Cupcakes

Please EMAIL TEDDIE (TEDDIE@FUSE.NET) BY **MAY 12,2022**

**Special Intentions: Please hold those for whom
we have prayed in your heart, Dear God. We ask
for your guidance and support of our mother's as
we celebrate Mother's Day. Thank you .**



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT – Marty Cunningham

I joined Cincinnati Catholic Women about ten years ago after being invited by Suzy Dorward to attend a meeting. Thank you for the invitation Suzy!

BY the time I joined the group we were past the traveling restaurant days and were gathering on Marion Avenue.

I grew up with a family business- Trinity Church Supply which started in the basement of our home -so needless to say I've been surrounded by church my entire life.

in 1976 I became music director of Good Shepherd in Montgomery and served there for 15 years. Being able to celebrate our faith together outside of a work setting has been an even more enriching experience for me.

And yes, as Peg mentioned in the last newsletter, the wine is an added perk. (My husband calls us the "Catholic Wine Club"). And yes, I'm married to a Bill Cunningham who happens to NOT be on WLW!

I thoroughly enjoyed our speakers each year and I find there is ALWAYS something new to learn about the Catholic faith.

There are special highlights each year for me- Stations of the Cross through our Blessed Mother's eyes,

-hearing special stories of our mothers at the May crowning event

- the ornament exchange which "brings out the best in us" are special times that not only inspire us to experience our faith more deeply but also to cherish the blessing of friendship and our beliefs which binds us together.

In reaching out to the valiant women and children who rely on the kindness of others is an opportunity for us to be a light in their darkest moments. This mission is so incredibly important to who we are.

I've had the honor to serve on the board, have led the music for our masses, co-chaired our centennial tea and have helped plan our annual May crowning meeting each year.

Being inspired by the women who have gone before us, I'm looking forward to the next chapter in the rich heritage of CCW.

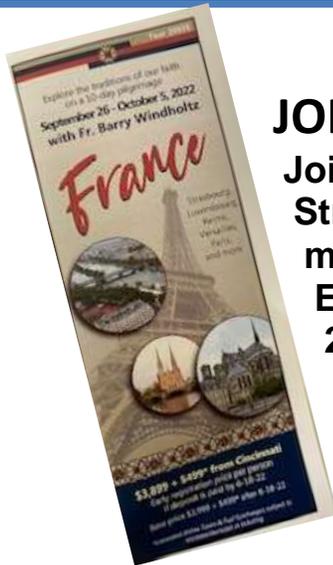


Thank you for your years of service to CCW, Marty!

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



Nancy Brockhoff
Pat Evans
Catherine Miller



JOIN Fr. Barry on a 10-day Pilgrimage to France
Join Fr. Barry Windholtz for a 10-day Pilgrimage to
Strasbourg, Luxembourg, Reims, Versailles, Paris and
more. Mass will be celebrated every day.
Early registration price per person is open until June 18,
2022. Contact Fr. Barry at holtz2051@gmail.com

CCW HISTORY ----

“Tra La It’s May...”

By Peggy Kenney

May is the month when we salute Mothers: our own mothers, grandmothers, godmothers as well as Virgin Mary, our mother. Even in the 20’s, CCW honored mothers with poems, photos and including this painting which was featured on the cover of the May, 1926 Catholic Women’s News.

One thing I found interesting is the announcement: the “Coronation of Blessed Virgin will take place May 9 at St. Aloysius Orphan Asylum.” I assume that meant May Crowning!



In 1926, May concluded the season's activities and the beginning of the new year when the dues were collected. Many activities did continue in the summer. There was a card party at the zoo, training course to instruct young women in the care of infants and children and even class in dressmaking. Maybe the highlight was Mrs. R.K. LeBlond hosted a tea for the 24 candidates up for election board and the current board of elections at her beautiful home, "Broadview Manor." In the summer she opened her home for The "Twilight Organ Recitals". *(not sure we could get that big of slate of candidates now even with a tea!)*

In contrast by 1971, CCW was focused on giving back to the community. They no longer met at the "club house" or the Boardview Manor, but had monthly meetings in restaurants. At that time the by-laws required each active member to give a minimum of 80 service hours each year. The previous year 100 members gave a total of 23,228 hours towards the goal of "Caring within in our Community." Often they refer to "Provisional Membership", which I guess that means people who have not completed their service hours, but not sure what that meant. *(maybe someone could shed some light on that term)*

The ladies focused mainly on the BALL CAPRICE with the theme of "Camelot." One of the big differences from the early years was the first prize, which was a full case of Distillers Pride Kentucky Bourbon. The other prizes were dinners at local restaurants, which seems like a lot of work for the committee. I guess it's nice we do "Pennies from Heaven" currently!"

As our group moves on to another phase of the organization, I think we should be very proud that we might be smaller in number, but we are still very committed to helping our community. The chairperson in the 20's reminded all that: "splendid work can be accomplished by united effort, so pledge yourself to bring in even *one* new member." Maybe we should again be aiming for that.



Bobbie Timmers, standing & provisional members
Marge Meyers, Mary Ann Pedley & Emily Albers



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BOARD ELECTIONS: Just a reminder.....

We will be electing ONE Board member this year at our June meeting giving us 9.

Those Board members returning to serve their first year; second term are Peggy Kenney, and Tracy Green. At the MAY meeting members at large may also put forth candidates for the Board. Nominations from the membership will be accepted at this meeting. Nominations shall be presented to the Nominating Committee in writing with two signatures supporting the nomination or made and seconded from the floor at the next to the last general meeting. Contact Carol Turchick w/questions.

The Nominating Committee (Carol Turchick, Chair; Kelley Carrier, Julie Ross and Lynne Kraemer) respectfully submit Beth Boland as a nominee.

Elizabeth “Beth” Boland has been a resident of Cincinnati/Northern KY since 1989.

I have been married to my husband, Brian, for 30 years this year and have 3 kids: Alexandra (21), Tim (17) & Nick (16). I have earned a Bachelor’s degree of Science from the University of Cincinnati in Special Education and a Master’s degree in Science in HR development from Xavier University where I am the Manager of the Accounts Payable Department. My passion is for theatrical lighting design and you can see her work in the upcoming Footlighter production of “Something Rotten”. I have dedicated part of my free time to working with the Wyoming High School Drama program as their Technical Theatre Advisor. This has helped me satisfy my goal for teaching the next generation about lighting and technical theatre. The church we consider to be our parish is Bellarmine as we live in the North Avondale neighborhood next to Xavier, but we often go to holiday masses at the Basilica in Covington where we were married and our kids were all baptized. When I first heard about this group last year, I was immediately curious. I was so warmly welcomed in December that I immediately wanted to be a part of this group and if I can help take a role.

Minutes from the March Meeting

- Teddie will provide details on finances upon request. They will be filed in the office when appropriate.
- **Pennies from Heaven:** Flyers were sent to anyone who has donate in the past 5 years. Suzy will send out an electronic copy to everyone. A box at the Aronoff is also a prize this year in addition to cash prizes. Please consider nominating a group to receive funds. We will send out forms and there will be forms at the next meeting.
- **House update:** Miguel has left the house. We thank him for all he has done. CCW gave him a \$1,000 as a thank you.
- The board is bringing it to the members to sell the house. Everyone should have gotten a letter with the rationale behind selling the house. Suzy read the letter to those at the meeting. Discussion included past discussions to sell the house.
- A concern was voiced that there is no office space to house a staff person to enable our growth as an organization. We will ask about an office space. Also to appraise the chandeliers separately and to look into selling the second lot separately.
- The Board feels that the money we will save by the sale for the house will allow the group to use the money for helping organization in the community.
- Board members have taken on different tasks in regards to cleaning out the garbage, looking into movers, storage fees, etc.
- The insurance policy is ok with us not having a caretaker.

- The house has been appraised and the members will be notified of the appraisal.
- There is a family interested in purchasing.
- Special intentions were shared. Please keep all members special intentions in your prayers.
- The plan is for the meetings will be held next year at the former Bishop's home on the property of the Holy Spirit Center. We have a rental agreement for \$6,000 for the year.
- May crowning at the May meeting.



Pennies from Heaven – get your tickets NOW!!!

This is our **ONLY** fundraiser so we need everyone to pitch in.

NEW THIS YEAR! In addition to awarding \$2,500 in cash prizes we were able to secure the Private Viewing Suite at the Aronoff to see "The Band's Visit". This prize is worth \$1,000 and includes 8 tickets. (thank you, Deborah Morgan at Cincinnati Arts Association).

We will soon have our Pennies from Heaven raffle.

LAST MEETING OF THE YEAR:

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