

Council of Catholic Women Church of St. Peter Mendota, Minnesota

October 2013

From our president

As President of **Saint Peter's Council of Catholic Women**, I would like to extend a greeting to all the ladies of our Parish. The **Council of Catholic Women (CCW)** had a busy and productive year. My appreciation and gratitude to all the amazing women, and men, who worked so hard and accomplished so much to achieve our goal of promoting parish fellowship. I want to especially thank our Board members for their dedication this past year and I look forward to another successful year! We were able to give generously to many good causes and charities this year and you will find them listed on the following page.

This year the CCW Board is very excited to have our own secretary, Pat Kemper, take the position of secretary for the St. Paul Deanery CCW Board. We are honored that she was chosen for that position. The work of the St. Paul Deaneries CCW is accomplished through six Commissions. They are: Church Commission, Community Concerns Commission, Legislative Commission, Organization Commission, International Concerns Commission and Family Concerns Commission. She will be back any insights about ways that we can become involved in these areas and increase our spirituality, encourage service, educate and promote social justice values, reach out to other agencies and individual members and provide a voice for Catholic women in the St. Paul area and beyond.

An invitation is once again extended to all the women of St. Peter's to join in the many activities that the **SPCCW** is sponsoring. Along with your dues of \$10, you can also volunteer for any of the ongoing activities that we have. On page 3 is a volunteer interest survey which we ask each of you to fill out every year so that we may call on you when we need helpers for each event. The dues that we collect are put into our treasury and then distributed in June to the many charities and organizations, as well as our own church.

We receive many thank you notes from these organizations in gratitude for our on-going support. A big **"Thank You"** to each of you who send in your dues!

I encourage each and every one of you to prayerfully consider not only becoming a member of CCW, but also stepping forward and volunteering where you can. CCW is such a wonderful way to meet new ladies of the parish and to be of faith and service to God.

Sincerely,

Nancy Stanton
SPCCW President
651-686-9009

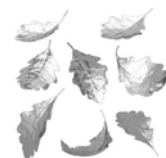
Dates to Remember:

October 2-November 3:	Appalachian Drive
October 12/13 & 19/20:	Poinsettia Sale
December 7:	ACCW Women of Faith, St. Peter's, Mendota

Deanery Meetings:

November 21:	Holy Family Maronite Church, Mendota Heights
February 20, 2014:	Nativity, Saint Paul
April 10, 2014:	St. John's, Little Canada

**St. Peter's Council of Catholic Women
is very grateful to Fr. Gallatin
for the support and encouragement
he has given and continues to give.**



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	Nancy Stanton	651-686-9009
Lenten Soup Supper:	Elizabeth G- Baker	651-686-6379
Pastor Appreciation:	CCW Board	651-686-9009
Poinsettia Sale:	CO-CHAIRS NEEDED	
Spring Plant Sale:	CO-CHAIRS NEEDED	

Charitable Contributions

Donations for 2012-2013

St.. Peter's Building Fund.....	\$3,000
Uganda Sponsorship.....	\$360
Faithful Shepherd Catholic School.....	\$200
Our Lady of Peace Cancer Home.....	\$140
St.. Peter's Workcamp Fund.....	\$100
Wakota Life Care Center.....	\$100
NCCW Annual Fund.....	\$50
ACCW/Mission/Madonna Fund.....	\$50
Franciscan Brothers of Peace	\$50
Total.....	\$4,050



Detach and return Membership Dues and Interest Survey

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____

Amount: \$_____ (Your dues (\$10) support our charitable causes.)

Thanks to all of the women of the parish for your past support. Please show your continued support by sending in your dues as soon as possible.

*Is it okay to give your name to National CCW for solicitation of donations? ___Yes ___No

Volunteering for **one or more** of these activities is a great way to get introduced to SPCCW!

Volunteer interest survey

- APPALACHIAN CHRISTMAS PROJECT _____
- DOUGHNUT SUNDAY _____
- FALL FESTIVAL _____
- FUNERAL LUNCH _____
- JUNE INSTALLATION _____
- LENTEN SOUP SUPPER _____
- MAILINGS FOR CCW _____
- POINSETTIA SALE _____
- SPRING FASHION SALE _____
- SPRING FLOWER SALE _____

Would you be interested in attending evening meetings? _____Yes _____No

Please fill in your name, address and phone number,
check each item that is of interest
to you and return with your dues (\$10)
by mail or drop in the Sunday collection basket.

THANK YOU!

Make \$10 check payable to SPCCW and note in memo "DUES."
Mail to Pat Peterson, PO Box 50679, Mendota, MN 55150-0679

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From the Pastor's Desk

Sam happy to greet the women of St. Peter's Parish in this annual newsletter. Since the Holy Father Pope Francis has made such a strong impression on the world, it seems right to convey a sense of his teaching on women, which you might find encouraging.

On October 12 he spoke to the Women's Section of the Pontifical Council for the Laity. It was the 25th anniversary of Blessed Pope John Paul II's Apostolic Letter *Mulieris dignitatem* ("on the Dignity of Women"). The seminar had been discussing that part of the letter which says that God entrusts man, the human being, to woman in a special way. Pope Francis stated: "What does this 'special entrusting' ... of the human being to woman signify? It seems evident to me that my predecessor is referring to maternity. ... [It] is the woman who conceives, carries in her womb and gives birth to the children of men. And this is not simply a biological matter, but carries a wealth of implications for the woman herself, for her way of being, for her relationships, for the way in which we lend respect to human life and to life in general. Calling a woman to maternity, God entrusted the human being to her in an altogether special manner."

The Pope said, "I would like to underline how the woman has a particular sensitivity for the 'things of God', above all in helping us to understand the mercy, tenderness and love that God has for us," he said. Later Pope Francis said that he suffers when women "slip into a role of servitude" rather than service. "Can she be valued more? It is a reality that is close to my heart and for this I wanted to meet ... and bless you and your commitment. Thank you, let us move this forward together! May most holy Mary—a great woman, eh?—the Mother of Jesus and of all God's children, accompany us."

Thank you for the many ways that you, the women of St. Peter's, help the entire parish to understand better the love of God. May he bless you richly!



Fr. Joseph Gallatin