



Autumn leaves, Jesus doesn't

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Greetings from Ann Jansky, President!

A big “THANK YOU” for helping to exceed the \$1,000 challenge posed by the Lincoln and Grand Island Diocesan Councils of Catholic Women during Spirit Catholic Radio’s Fall Care-a-thon on September 16. During the LDCCW challenge hour of noon to 1:00 p.m., \$5,755 was donated. Through matching funds, a total of \$11,510 was presented to the radio station. Kudos to all of you!

So what has the LDCCW been up to since you received the July NewsNotes, you ask? July 20 brought all three dioceses to Grand Island for the annual Province meeting. The August 16-17 board meetings took place in Milligan and Geneva. September 24-27 took me, Terri Sullivan, Fr. Lux and Fr. McGuire to Grand Rapids, Michigan, for the NCCW Convention (see Terri’s article on page 4). October saw pro-life conferences throughout the entire state - in Lincoln, Hastings, Kearney, Omaha and Scottsbluff. McCook sponsored a Day of Reflection and Spirit Catholic Radio partnered with the LDCCW to help support the 5th annual Pro-Life Diaper Drive. If you have not yet seen the October 17 issue of the Southern Nebraska Register, be sure to read the back page, which highlights [four outstanding women of the diocese](#). Thank you to Lori, Rosie, Brenda and Kathy for agreeing to participate and for the inspiring stories and bits of wisdom concerning priorities and their spiritual journeys.

This brings us to November and a new edition of the NewsNotes. What does the immediate future hold for the LDCCW? November’s first project is to sponsor another Endow Facilitator Training session in Beatrice on November 8 and to encourage more parishes to begin the first Endow study on St. John Paul II’s Letter to Women. The month ends with the beginning of Advent and the LDCCW sponsored project of assisting children throughout the diocese with an activity to raise funds for the Missionary Childhood Association. And then comes the Winter Symposium ...

LDCCW Winter Symposium – January 16-17, 2015 – Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly

Plan now to attend the 5th annual LDCCW Winter Symposium at the Retreat House in Waverly. The schedule and agenda are attached. You may register online at the [Good Counsel Retreat House](#) or you may return the registration form with your check made payable to “Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House” to 7303 N. 112th St., Waverly, NE 68462. **Attendance will be limited to the first 100 registrants due to space limitations at the retreat center.**

The Winter Symposium, which originated in 2011 during the presidency of Kris Sarver, was so named to “reflect a social gathering at which ideas about faith are freely exchanged.” This year’s symposium will continue the tradition of spiritual and social time accentuated with music from Ellen Soukup. I can guarantee that you will leave the Retreat House feeling inspired and spiritually invigorated.

Falls City Deanery President, Kathy Florence, emailed the following that I thought I would share: “I became aware of this wonderful website a few months ago. If you haven't seen it before, please check it out. It's one I think the women of our Diocese should be made aware of. It's a great way to let our priests and seminarians know how much we appreciate them and it encourages prayers for them.” <http://encouragepriests.org/site/home-page/>

In order to reduce administrative costs (printing and postage), we would like to increase the number of emailed NewsNotes and decrease the number that are physically mailed. If you have access to a computer and would be willing to receive the NewsNotes by email only, please contact me at arjansky@gmail.com
 Thank You!

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Dear NewsNotes Readers;

Happy Harvest time! Speaking of harvest- a priest died on October 3, the vigil of St. Francis of Assisi, and faces the ultimate harvest. **Fr. Benedict Groeschel**, CFR helped me in my last four years of seminary and since. He served in the New York City area for decades as a devoted son of St. Francis. He served at various time as chaplain to a home for children, a psychologist, a giver of retreats internationally, a confessor to now Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta, founder of a religious order and a home for unwed mothers, and in the last period of his life a patient dependent on others.

Many of you have probably listened or watched a recording by Fr. Benedict or read one of his books. I was blessed to be taught and counseled by him, often times while driving him to the airport or a meeting. At Easter and Thanksgiving breaks those from Nebraska not able to go home were welcomed at Trinity Retreat House for a feast and relaxing. We also helped him distribute many baskets of food to needy families throughout the poverty stricken areas of New York City carrying them up many staircases that we would have feared to go to alone.

Cathy Ruse started her talk at the Pro-life Banquet in Kearney on October 5, 2014, with fond remembrance of Fr. Groeschel a friend of hers and her husband Austin and their two daughters, all residing in the New York City area. Cathy spoke about the Hobby Lobby case ruling and its implications. She is an attorney & Catholic convert. Check out the Family Research Council www.frc.org

May God grant Fr. Benedict Groeschel what he often prayed at the graveside of others - “a swift pilgrimage to be with God.”

A Year of Consecrated Life has been proclaimed by Pope Francis starting on the 1st Sunday of Advent, the weekend of November 29, 2014, and ending on February 2, 2016, the World Day of Consecrated life. The year also marks the 50th anniversary of Perfectae Caritatis, a decree on religious life, and Lumen Gentium, Vatican II’s constitution on the Church.

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops’ (USCCB) Committee on Clergy, Consecrated Life and Vocations is promoting “Days with Religious” initiatives and resources to help families learn about the consecrated life of religious men and women. Activities will focus on sharing experiences of prayer, service and community life with those living a consecrated life.

February 8, 2015: Religious Open House. Events will be coordinated to also celebrate the World Meeting of Families to take place in Philadelphia and will include tours, open houses, receptions, family activities, and presentations on the history of religious communities at convents, abbeys, monasteries and religious houses.

Prayers intentions, prayer cards, a video on consecrated life and other resources are available at: the [United States Conference of Catholic Bishops](http://www.usccb.org)

The **National Council of Catholic Women Convention** in Grand Rapids, Michigan was an opportunity for 600 women leaders, some husbands, 7 bishops, and about 50 spiritual advisors like myself, to gather and hear Dr. Ralph Martin on Evangelization, Teresa Tomeo on navigating the dangers of our culture and other powerful, humorous, and inspiring speakers on other important issues. Learn more at <http://nccw.org/>

November 2 is **All Souls Day**. This is a great time to request the remembrance of your loved ones who have died in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Priests need Mass Intentions with stipends. It is part of their support. There is no greater gift that we can give than prayer and the Mass is the highest prayer that can be offered.

The implementation of **ENDOW Study Groups** is well underway. Plan to be trained as a facilitator for your parish. God will bless you and others through you. May God bless all of us with the joy of the Gospel.



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To my brother Priests and NewsNotes Readers:

"We are wrapped up in worldly concerns, and the more we devote ourselves to external things, the more insensitive we become in spirit," said St. Gregory the Great.

So often I get wrapped up in worldly things that I wonder if I am giving guidance in faith. Unlike St. Gregory, I get pulled into most of the worldly things willingly. The Royals are on one of the most unusual winning streaks in baseball. I seem to get more excited about them than I do about the conversion of sinners. Maybe it's a different kind of excitement but it distracts me from prayer, getting ready for confessions or Mass, etc. Husker football or volleyball may do that to me, also. Or trying to get ready to teach a class can even become worldly if I don't pay attention to my motivations. Even taking care of a small repair in a building can pull me away from my plan for the day. Then haphazardness may begin to take over and reason and faith take a backseat to emotion or to a whim that appears to be good.



As St. Gregory again says, "For although we have accepted the priestly office, we do not fulfill its demands... 'Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest.'"

Lord Jesus, by your grace make us laborers for the conversion of sinners and for our own conversion! Take away the lukewarmness we may experience. Give us wisdom and your zeal for the salvation of souls.

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FEATURED DEANERY OF THE MONTH – PARISH INFORMATION REQUESTED

Thanks to all for their participation in the Deanery of the Month feature on the LDCCW web page. Let's try to get 100% participation from all parishes! Even if your parish/deanery has already been featured, it is not too late to send your information to Father Coulter for inclusion on the website.

The rotation is the same as St. Monica Prayer Auxiliary, November → Indianola Deanery, December → Lawrence Deanery, January → Lincoln Deanery and February → Orleans Deanery

Each parish is asked to please email the following information to Father Gary Coulter frcoultter@gmail.com and he will put it on the web page:

1. Photo of the sanctuary in your church
2. Photo of current PCCW officers, with names
3. Brief history of the parish
4. List of 10 or so activities of your PCCW
5. Number of families in the parish

Plan to display your deanery scrapbook at the LDCCW Biennial Convention on April 16, 2016. Start saving and planning now to highlight and share your deanery's activities with the rest of the diocese!

A Journey To National Convention-Terri Sullivan, President Elect

What a grand trip with grand people to Grand Rapids, Michigan, to attend the NCCW Convention. This was my first time to attend a NCCW Convention and I am so glad I was able to go. It was a great experience and so uplifting to hear all of the speakers remind us of how God wants to be a part of our everyday lives and how we are called to unite everyone in truth.

Each day began with saying the rosary. The rosary along side the river just outside the hotel Thursday morning was very peaceful and the whole atmosphere that morning was breath taking. We were totally surrounded by God's presence. Another great experience was attending Mass everyday with so many priests concelebrating and having over 640 ladies worshipping and singing together. The Holy Spirit filling the room was indescribable.

Dr. Ralph Martin spoke at the opening general session. His message was that we each need to make a personal decision to follow Christ. Jesus already asked us to do our part at our baptism. It is our daily responsibility to evangelize – especially to those who refuse to open their hearts to the truth. He reminded us that prayer makes it easier to deal with life's problems. We need to ask the Lord to help and heal whatever is needed. The way to heaven is narrow – slow and difficult – we must enter through a narrow road and be careful to not be accused of spiritual malpractice by not telling the truth about God.

Teresa Tomeo, author and syndicated Catholic talk show host, spoke about our important role as a parent to teach the truth to our children. She encouraged us to never lose our joy and that we need to be a parent, not just a friend to our kids – there are plenty of friends for them out there. We do have an influence on our kids and we do leave an impact on them. Even with all of the immorality in the world, there is an encouraging sign – we know from the Bible that the Church wins in the end. We need to do our part because as St. Teresa said, "Christ has no body on earth but ours."

Sheri Wohlfert was an entertaining inspirational speaker. She taught us we need to have the perspective of the Holy Spirit to see that faith sees the invisible; believes the incredible; and achieves the impossible. We need to surrender to God, find joy, have the attitude that I'm going to act like I wish I felt, seek Christ and be Christ through humble service, and pray without ceasing.

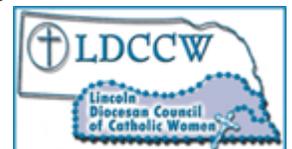
Vicki Thorn, from Project Rachel, showed us the importance of healing and understanding our wounds. Today humans are seen as having no value. When we are hurting or suffering, we feel like we are alone. What we need to realize, is at these times Jesus is carrying us on his shoulders and we are so close to him that we fail to see him. We need to tell God, "I give you permission to heal me."

One of the workshops I attended showed us the importance of us as Catholic women and the importance of NCCW as our voice on the national level. But it is also important that we get membership at the local level. It is crucial that we present a good image of CCW – we need to be visible and behavioral. If we are not managing our image someone else will. We are women of vision. We need to motivate, mentor, lead by example, and invite others to become active in CCW. Others need us for spiritual growth and development, sisterhood and social connection, service to others, to learn and grow, and for leadership growth and opportunities. Our spiritual and service outreach truly makes a difference. Christ is love and we are the Christ on earth. We as CCW must celebrate the ability to make a difference. As a help to evangelize, the NCCW put together a manual "We are Called to Witness" which is available on the nccw.org website.

We were fortunate that we were able to visit a building that was once an abortion clinic but is now the Life International office. Once they took over the building and kicked the abortionists out of the building, they called 125 friends, pastors, and leaders of other ministries to pray over the building. It is said that the back doors flew open as the evil went rushing from the building. They have set up a prayer room and have left one of the abortion rooms as a reminder and memorial to all those innocent babies who were aborted.

One of the greatest highlights of the convention was that Marilyn Ericksen from the Grand Island Diocese received the Our Lady of Good Counsel Award for her commitment to NCCW. What a privilege to be part of the Omaha Province and able to be there to help her celebrate this great honor.

It was truly a spirit filled experience and I would encourage anyone to attend the next NCCW Convention.



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All Saints Day November 1 - Quotes from Saints on Prayer

“Much more is accomplished by a single word of the Our Father said, now and then, from our heart, than by the whole prayer repeated many times in haste and without attention.”

--St. Teresa of Avila

"For me prayer is a surge of the heart, it is a simple look towards Heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy." --St. Therese of Lisieux

Our Lady of Good Counsel Burse

As we near the end of the year, the request for contributions by each parish to **Our Lady of Good Counsel Burse Fund** is here once again. The annual contribution is due on January 1 of each year and is used to help with the education costs of seminarians. Since 1952, the parishes of the Lincoln Diocese have donated to this Fund. We are very fortunate this year to have 48 seminarians in formation. Please be extra generous with your Burse contribution if at all possible. The requested donation for many years has been \$0.52 per woman in your parish, but in reality, what does \$0.52 buy in today's world? And what is more important to our Catholic community than the formation of our future priests? I hope your parish will please consider increasing your past donation to the Burse Fund this year. Make checks payable to LDCCW with "Burse Fund" written on the memo line. Mail to Terry Kerr, 73114 3rd Street, St. Mary, NE 68843.

Have you joined?

The LDCCW November calendar idea of the month is to “become a member of the [Pink Sisters Auxiliary](#) and /or send a donation”. Called "the Pink Sisters" because of their distinctive rose-colored habits symbolizing joy, the Holy Spirit Adoration Sisters were founded in Steyl, Holland, in 1896. The first Pink Sisters convent in the U.S. was built in Philadelphia in 1915. St. Louis, Corpus Christi and Austin followed. In the 1970s, the Austin convent was found to be structurally unstable. Bishop Glennon Flavin, who knew the Pink Sisters from his tenure as auxiliary bishop in the Archdiocese of St. Louis, invited the Austin community to come to Lincoln, giving up his own home to serve as their convent. The sisters have maintained perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Lincoln ever since 1973. The Pink Sister's chapel, the Eucharistic Church of Christ the King (1040 South Cotner in Lincoln), is open daily for Adoration and holy hours from 6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., with Mass at 7 a.m. Information about joining various lay organizations for men, women & children, including the auxiliary, is available in the chapel vestibule or online.

LDCCW Ash Wednesday Day of Recollection

What better way to begin the Lenten season than to attend the **LDCCW Ash Wednesday Day of Recollection** on February 18, 2015 at either St. Michael's Church in Hastings or Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House in Waverly. This spiritual day consists of about six hours and may include rosary, Divine Mercy chaplet, confession, Mass with distribution of ashes, Benediction, Stations of the Cross and/or speakers. You really don't want to miss this if you are able to attend.

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Happy Autumn to all of you. I love this prayer and thought I would share it with you again. We just can't thank God enough for all of his blessings:

Autumn Prayer

O God of Creation, you have blessed us with the changing of the seasons. As we embrace these autumn months, may the earlier setting of the sun remind us to take time to rest. May the crunch of the leaves beneath our feet remind us of the brevity of this earthly life. May the steam of our breath in the cool air remind us that it is you who give us your breath of life. May the scurrying of the squirrels and the migration of the birds remind us that you call us to follow your will. We praise you for your goodness forever and ever. Amen.

PRO-LIFE BANQUET

Greg Schleppebach, Executive Director of the Nebraska Catholic Conference, provided the following information: The conference addressed a number of critical pro-life topics. Dr. Francis Beckwith kicked off the conference with a Friday evening banquet talk emphasizing the benefits and limitations of using reasoned arguments against abortion. The evening also featured winners of the state level pro-life essay contest as well as recipients of the Gospel of Life award from each of the three Nebraska dioceses. Saturday's talks exploded the myth that abortion advances the cause of women's rights and dignity and provided a moving look inside the extraordinary work of our state's pregnancy assistance centers and the sidewalk prayer warriors who witness outside abortion facilities. In addition, practical suggestions were provided for parishes to build a culture of life, the Hobby Lobby ruling was explained and a powerful explanation was provided on how the family is the sanctuary of life and love. Although all of the talks were excellent, for those needing a "shot in the arm" of encouragement, I particularly recommend Austin Ruse's talk, "No Finer Time to Be a Catholic". For those who missed the conference, Greg highly recommends purchasing the CDs from the conference. Email Greg Schleppebach at gregschlepp@neb.rr.com or call 402-477-7517.

PROJECT RACHEL AND RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

Project Rachel is an outreach of the Catholic Church to anyone hurting psychologically or spiritually after involvement with abortion. Project Rachel counsellors and clergy are specially trained to understand and help heal the psychological and spiritual pain of abortion.

This outreach is named after Rachel, the Old Testament figure mentioned by Jeremiah (31:16-17): "Thus says the Lord: Cease your cries of mourning. Wipe the tears from your eyes. The sorrow you have shown will have its reward. [Project Rachel](#) is open to anyone in need regardless of their faith background. For more information on Project Rachel, go to: www.HopeAfterAbortion.com to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer you a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing. A retreat is being held in **Omaha on November 7-9**. For more information please go to the following link: rachelsvineyard.org or contact Heather at helpingrachel@yahoo.com or at (402) 253-9936.

ADVENT BABY SHOWER

Show Christ's little ones by having your parish host an Advent Baby Shower from December 1, 2014 through December 24, 2014. During Advent we anticipate the good news and joy of our Savior's birth. Express this joy with gifts for God's little ones. Shower gifts shall be given to Pregnancy Centers approved by The Bishops Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities. For a list of approved pregnancy centers visit the [Nebraska Catholic Conference page](#). Make posters inviting parishioners to the shower and have a designated place in the church for gifts. In our parish we have a bassinet for gifts. Another suggestion is to have the CCD children involved. If your CCD program has a gift exchange, suggest having the student bring a gift for the Advent Baby Shower. Alternative ideas for helping those in need include food pantry donations or collect food and clothing for Catholic Social Services or others in need in your community.

As for me and my house,  *we will serve the Lord.*

Bonita English Honored



Cheers for Bonita! She received The Gospel of Life award established by the Bishops' Pro Life office to recognize and celebrate exemplary pro-life efforts by parish coordinators and other Catholics in their parish and community.

Congratulations, Bonita, on a well deserved reward. It is not a surprise Bonita received this award as she is not only worthy of this recognition but is also very humble in all the work she does for the Lord and our diocese. She is a true vision of the Corporal Works of Mercy and the Spiritual Works of Mercy. Thank you, Bonita! You can read the full article about Bonita in the October 24 Southern Nebraska Register or you can go online and read the article.

<http://www.lincolndiocese.org/news/diocesan-news/2917-red-cloud-woman-receives-pro-life-award>

INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS BONITA ENGLISH—Fall 2014 Reminders: Pope Francis in his message for World Mission Day reminded us that the Church is “missionary by her very nature” and the Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, offers “wisdom and strength to those who are obedient to His action.” *Let us all--according to the New Evangelization—be a “culture of encounter” especially with our youth that we all might be gathered-in closer to the Heart of Christ.* Please see reminder for Missionary Childhood Association below. *BLESSINGS TO ALL! ---*

Bonita English

“Gather Us In!” to the Heart of Christ!

Items for the Missions: Year-round, please supply your parishes with reminders and a collection site for these items: used eyeglasses, hearing aids and rosaries. (Hotel soap and shampoo samples may also be collected and given directly to Catholic Social Services.) Last spring 300 pairs of used eyeglasses were sent by Barb Sullivan, our “Items for the Missions” leader, to Auburn for Dr. Crotty who has processed them and will take them with him on a mission trip this fall. Contact Barb at js70837@windstream.net.

Missionary Childhood Association: LDCCW suggests one MCA partnership event per parish per year where PCCW ladies make themselves available to assist youth in their parish CCD programs to plan and hold a fundraiser for the Missionary Childhood Association. Consult your LDCCW Calendar under “November,” and your mission folder or cyber for further information. Or contact Bonita at jfvisions@gpcom.net. MCA’s website is www.MCAKids.org. This is a great resource!



Catholic Relief Services: Please mark your Altar Society/PCCW calendars “CRS Donation” for March 2015 which this year has been selected as the time each PCCW is asked to help CRS with its donation of \$25. Traditionally this has been designated for “Water for Life” or “Madonna Plan.” Please send directly to Catholic Relief Services as indicated on your LDCCW Calendar.

Grass withers and flowers fade, but the word of the Lord will stand forever.

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JOHN, CHAPTER 2—“They have no wine.” As you know we recently witnessed the beautiful marriage of our daughter to her husband and this was one of the readings at their wedding. Leadership is like that, recognizing a need and working out a solution. Mary knew Jesus would handle it and was witness to his first miracle. When you are asked when you see a need, don't be afraid to ask or help with the solution. As women, we do serve! It's our nature, but don't forget the better part and take time for prayer. That moment in silence may be the only silence you are afforded for the day, please send it with God.

Information-We continue to work with sending our emails in the new format and we are very pleased with our open rate, but we still have people who are having trouble finding their emails.

1. If you have a Gmail account-look in promotions tab for Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women.
2. If you have a Hotmail account or Live account-look in the junk mail. If you find it in junk mail click on the “*Wait, it's safe*” link.
3. Please download pictures. It really does make the email look better!

Officer Lists– Please send us your updated lists in an excel format.

1. Last name, first name, mailing address, city, state, zip code, email address and phone number.
Please include the office and commission.

But Wait There's More!

1. We would also like ALL the ladies of your PCCW's. The email format we use with Constant Contact will not charge us for hosting addresses. We are only charged for an email address, this is why it is very important we have the correct address!

Finally, the engine behind the organization.

Sign up and belong to the National Council of Catholic Women. You can sign up at any time but please plan to sign up by January 1. It is \$60 for an individual member. PCCW's sign up key members so they can share information with your council. Why not join, because it is a great group of faithful women to belong to? This organization may help you recognize the need in your church.

Leadership Training– Janice Goracke

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Are you ready to be a genius? Endow (Educating on the Nature and Dignity of Women) begins by training facilitators to organize a group study beginning with Pope Saint John Paul II's *Letter to Women*. There is no homework! It helps women, and girls, to recognize their God-given dignity and interior gifts and to hear God's Word on women – a message of love and respect.

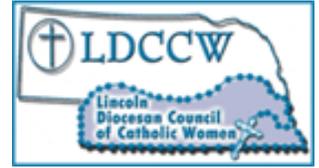
Women who have done Endow studies have said it has given them greater respect for their God-given gifts which St. John Paul II called “the feminine genius.” Endow also can be a vehicle to evangelize in a new way to help change our secular culture.

To become an Endow Facilitator you will need to take the training or listen to the CDs, complete the application forms in the facilitator's kit and submit to Endow. Upon approval you may start your group. Information on how to do this is included in the kit and the Endow staff is always available to help. Please consider joining us for the training listed below.

Endow Facilitator Training is being held Sat, Nov 8, from 9 am to about 4 pm at St. Joseph School in Beatrice, NE. Lunch will be at Burger King (Dutch treat). Please order a Facilitator Kit online at the link below:

<http://store.endowonline.org/facilitator-training-kit-p47.aspx>

You can also call the Endow office 720-382-5242 to order. Materials will be \$19.95 + S&H. Also please complete a registration form so we know that you are coming.



National Council of Catholic Women

ADVOCACY CALLS: Call in number for ALL calls: (712) 432-0375 - Pin 505816 Times are 5 pm (PT), 6 pm (MT), 7 pm (CT), and 8 pm (ET)

November 12—NCCW Advocacy Call Day of Prayer and Fasting to End Hunger Led by Patty Johnson

December 10 NCCW Advocacy Call Service Projects Led by Patty Johnson

We Are Called to Witness - A program of the National Council of Catholic Women designed to help members and affiliations discover and actively participate in sharing the Good News, the Joy of Jesus ---the New Evangelization! Presented at the 2014 NCCW Convention. [Click here to download.](#) There is also a [promotional brochure](#) available. Go online to <http://www.nccw.org/>

Join NCCW! Membership is \$60 per individual. This holiday season offer a gift membership to your family member! Go online to <http://www.nccw.org/> > click on JOIN NCCW > Click here to Join or Renew online.

Mark Your Calendar!

- **November 8:** Endow Facilitator Training is being held Sat, Nov 8, from 9 am to about 4 pm at St. Joseph School in Beatrice, NE. Lunch will be at Burger King (Dutch treat). Please see Page 8 for information.
- **November 30:** Advent begins. The Season of Advent is the beginning of the Church year as we make preparations for the Coming of Christ! It is a good time for the Altar Society to coordinate with your local Sacristan for a thorough cleaning in the sacristy. Dust in the back of drawers, top shelves of closets and get everything organized! Wash & clean altar boy cassocks & surplices. Double check to make sure that Purple & Rose vestments are in good shape: mend, clean or replace as needed! (Send Green vestments to the cleaners before storing - they won't be used until Jan 12!) Altar linens (corporals, purificators, finger towels, altar cloths, etc) should be checked carefully for wear & tear and replaced if needed. Altar wear (candlesticks, ciborium, altar crosses, chalices, missal stands, holy water fonts, thurible, candlelighters, server patens, etc) should be polished and examined to see if they are in need of repair or replating. The Lord is coming - let us make ourselves ready!
- **January 16– 17** LDCCW Winter Symposium See Page 10-11
- **February 15, 2015** World Marriage Day **World Marriage Day** is celebrated in local parishes on the Sunday closest to Valentine's Day to honor married couples. In 2015, this day of special recognition for married couples will take place on February 15.
- **February 18, 2015** Ash Wednesday Day of Reflection-Hastings and Waverly
- **March 1, 2015** News Notes Mail Date



The Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women

Winter Symposium

Friday & Saturday January 16 - 17, 2015



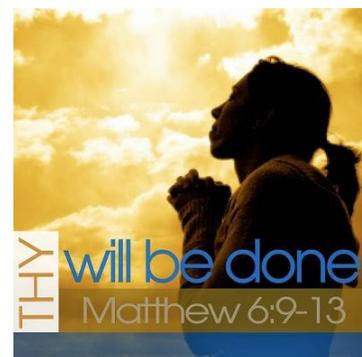
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<http://www.goodcounselretreat.com/retreat/schedule/>

THEME: "Thy Will Be Done"

Friday, January 16

- 7:00 pm- Registration begins
- 7:30- **Living Rosary** in the chapel.
Confessions available.
- 8:00- **Divine Mercy Chaplet** in song (by *Ellen Soukup*)
- 8:30- **Surprise Local Speaker** who has learned to listen to God's Will
- 9:00- **St. Gianna Activity** – making Valentine cards for women & children
- Includes social with **wine & cheese** and non-alcoholic beverages



Saturday, January 17

- 8:00 am- Registration, **rolls & coffee**
- 8:30- **Divine Mercy Chaplet** in the chapel
- 8:40- Short speeches: **LDCCW President** Ann Jansky, **Marian novice** Sr. Joan Kolbe, **KVSS Lincoln Development Director** Angela Copenhaver
- 9:30- Greg Schleppenbach, **Executive Director Nebraska Catholic Conference**
- 10:00- Rev. Christopher Kubat – **St. Gianna Women's Homes**
- 11:15- **Mass with Bishop James D. Conley** as main celebrant and homilist
- 12:15 pm- .. Lunch
- 1:00- **Panel of Priests' Mothers**
- 2:15- **Vocation stories** by Fr. Thomas Lux & Fr. Thomas McGuire
- 3:00- **Closing prayer & blessing**



*LDCCW will be collecting the following needed items for St. Gianna Women's Homes, as identified by Fr. Kubat and Sr. Bernadette: shampoo, soap, disinfectant wipes, facial tissues, size 5 diapers, boxes of dish soap, small bottles of hand sanitizer and other toiletry items.

Please bring items to Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House and place in the laundry baskets located at the entrance of the chapel. Thank you!

The Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women

Winter Symposium

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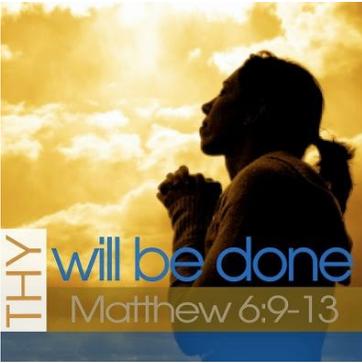
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_____ **\$110 for Friday & Saturday, including overnight stay in private room at Retreat House and hot breakfast**

_____ **\$55 for Friday & Saturday (or Saturday only, January 17),
no overnight stay**

_____ **\$10 for Friday Only, January 16**

\$_____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED

****You are invited to attend, as our guest, without voice or vote.**

LDCCW Full Board Meeting, which starts at 4:30 pm on Friday and precedes the Winter Symposium.**

Please contact Ann Jansky 402-826-0219 or email arjansky@gmail.com if you are attending the meeting.