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Catholic Women September/October 2024

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Please Plan to attend! St. Jerome & St. Joseph CCW

Have been invited!

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St Philip Parish Center **September 23, 2024** 6:00 pm

Potluck Dinner

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President's Message

As the Council of Catholic Women of St. Philip Parish kickoff a new year I would like to welcome all of you to our "family". I thank you for all your support and help last year and commend you for our achievements. Saying that, I hope you had a restful and pleasant summer and are excited and fired up to have a successful 2024-2025!

We had our first Board meeting and we were reminded of the purpose of the Council of Catholic Women. According to our by-laws the purpose of CCW is to unite women of the Parish through spiritual, service and social activities and to assist our Pastor with the material needs through gifts of time and money. We will strive to achieve these goals.

At our meeting, our NEW Blue Books were distributed to us and to the Circle Chairmen to present to their members. Others will be sent in the mail. A big thank you to Cheri Perkins and the committee for all their work done to provide us to have these books.

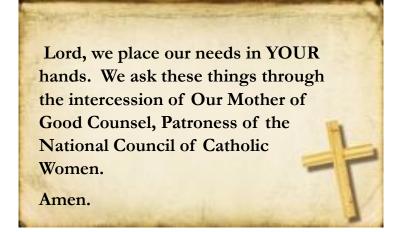
I hope that many of you will be able to attend our Fall General Meeting on Monday, September 23rd in the Parish Center. Social time is at 6:00pm followed by a Potluck at 6:30pm. Please bring a dish to pass and a friend to share our fun and hospitality.

We will work at the Bake Sale during Super Fest on FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13th from 5 till 9.

Once again, thank you for your support. CCW could not accomplish our goals without your dedicated support.

Let's work together, have fun together, pray together...and what a terrific year we will have!

Judy







ST. PHILIP COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN 2024-025

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EVENT	DATE	TIME	PLACE
Fall General Membership meeting	Monday, September 23, 2024	6:00 PM	PARISH CENTER
Board Meeting	Monday, October 21, 2024	7:00 PM	Board Room
Board Meeting	Monday, November 18, 2024	7:00 PM	Board Room
Christmas Décor Order	October-November 2024		by phone
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Bake Sale & Pie pick-up	November 23-24, 2024	masses before	PARISH CENTER
		and after	
Delivery of Christmas Décor	November 23-24, 2024	masses	PARISH CENTER
Christmas Dinner	Monday, December 16, 2024	6:00 PM	tbd
Board Meeting	Monday, January 20, 2025	7:00 PM	Board Room
Board Meeting	Monday, February 17, 2025	7:00 PM	Board Room
Spring Fling	Monday, March 17, 2025	6:00 PM	PARISH CENTER
Board Meeting	Monday, April 21, 2025	7:00 PM	Board Room
Plant Sale	April-May 2025	tbd	by phone
plant delivery	May 2025	tbd	PARISH CENTER
Card Party	Tuesday, May 13, 2025	6:00 PM	PARISH CENTER
Board Meeting	Monday, May 19, 2025	7:00 PM	Board Room
June Banquet	Monday, June 16, 2025	6:00 PM	tbd

TRI PARISH PRO-LIFE FALL EVENTS



Our **Praying for Moms** program will be ongoing through the end of this year. We have 10 more moms and their babies to pray for at this time. If you would like to be a prayer warrior for one of them, please contact Cathy Hirzel. 968-4639 (H) or chirzel@aol.com.

We will be resuming our Spiritual Adoption program next March.

Look for more information at that time.

40 Days for Life from September 25th to November 3rd

- Praying in front of Kalamazoo Planned Parenthood, 4201 W. Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm Monday through Saturday. You can sign up for a vigil hour (either for one time only or for the same time for six weeks) by going to their website https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/kalamazoo. -
- There will be a Candlelight Vigil on Sunday, September 22nd, at 6:00 pm at Planned Parenthood to kick off 40 Days.
- A Rally for Life is planned for Sunday, October 20, at 6:00 pm at St. Michael Lutheran Church, 7211 Oakland Drive, Portage to celebrate LIFE at the halfway point of 40 Days. -
- If you would like to partner with someone to go to any of these events, please contact Cathy Hirzel, 968-4639 (H) or chirzel@aol.com.

Life Chain is on Sunday, October 6th, at the corner of Beckley and Riverside by the mall. We will be praying silently on the sidewalk from 1:30 to 3:00 pm. Signs will be available. Bring a lawn chair if you need to sit. Please join us for this annual event held all over the United States (either for all or part of the time) to show Battle Creek our pro-life presence.

National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children - Saturday, September 14th, at 11:00 pm.

Fr. Patrick Murphy will lead our brief prayer service at the Memorial for the Unborn in Beckley Cemetery on Helmer Road (just off Exit 95 of 194).



Tri-Parish Pro-Life Ministries 10th annual dinner/speaker will be Sunday, October 13th, at St. Jerome's Parish.

The dinner will begin at 6:00 pm and is **free**. Donations will be accepted for Catholic Charities Caring Network Pregnancy Help Center.

Our speakers will be Rebecca Mastee and Paul Stankewitz from the Michigan Catholic Conference. They will be discussing faithful citizenship and preparing to vote as a Catholic. They will also talk about what is going on in the Michigan legislature as far as what is being discussed concerning more abortion laws, bills that will affect our families, and assisted suicide issues.

Please reserve your spot by contacting Cathy Hirzel, 968-4639 (H) or chirzel@aol.com by October 4th.

TRUE BLUE VOLUNTEER HOURS by

Virginia Hendrickson

There are many ways that you may count your volunteer hours. You may include any time spent volunteering at the St. Philip Parish, service clubs, or any volunteer time where you are able to help others. If you are a Eucharistic Minister, Reader, Choir member, or clean the church. Teach CCD, help at Sunday suppers, volunteer at Marion Burch Facility, St. Vincent DePaul basket packing and delivery, and at Super Fest. If you help in any class room at St. Philip Catholic Central, St. Joseph or in any public school. Food Pantry, Phoning, mailing, helping with funeral luncheons, receptions, hospitality, or baking. CCW meetings, circle meetings, and any of our fundraisers. There are so many things you can doaccording to your liking. Count and see how many hours we can present at the June banquet.



Please send True Blue hours to:

Mary Vasquez 269-968-6449 or <u>mmvasquez1151@gmail.co</u> <u>m</u>

Please include your name and the number of hours being reported!

Thank you for all your hard work!

CCW BULLETIN BOARD

To the ladies of the CCW,

I have stepped down from being VP/Membership

I have enjoyed doing the Blue Book the last 5 years, and getting to know you by phone, texts, and various events. I shall miss that, but hopefully, we will see each other at various activities throughout the year.

I will be happy to pass on my knowledge to whoever the board gets to do the book next year. I will also be happy to go over everything with my replacement, if they want me to. If you are interested in taking on this position, please contact Judy Montych or Deb Lawver.

I will still be active in CCW, and look forward to seeing some of you in the future.

Sincerely,

Cheri Perkins





October Board meeting
October 21, 2024
Seton Board Room
7:00 p.m.
All CCW members are
Welcome to attend!

The speakers for the
September 23 potluck are:
Tony Newell, Executive
Director and Jennifer Dobbins
Director of Development for
Catholic Charities of
Kalamazoo
Also Becky Borglin, president
of the KDCCW will
possibly join us also.

Drop off baked goods at the parish office by 3:00 pm or at the Super Fest entrance tent by 5:00 pm on Friday September 13. if you would like to Work the bake sale on Friday night, contact Judy Montych at 269. 579-3570. Thank you.

St. Philip Council of Catholic

The Council of Catholic Women publishes Catholic Women bimonthly. Please send information for the November/December Newsletter by October 20, 2024 Send submissions to:
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Mission Statement

The purpose of St. Philip Council of Catholic Women is to unite women of the parish through spiritual, service, and social activities and to assist the pastor in meeting the material needs of the parish through our gifts of time, and money. It is also our intent to respond with Gospel values to the needs of our youth in the Battle Creek Area Catholic Schools and the St. Philip Parish Religious Education programs as well as various outreach programs in our local community and the world through works of charity or financial assistance.



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The Council of Catholic Women has started a Facebook page. If you would like to become a "friend" of CCW please go to the website below

https://www.facebook.com/stphilipccw/

