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Long warm days...  
The pace of life slows...  
A time for picnics  
and rest in the shade...  
Lord, help me to rest  
awhile in the cooling shade  
of your presence.  
Slow down my restless  
heart and fill me with  
gentle compassion for all  
your people. Amen.”

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## *President's Message*

July 1, 2025

Hello Ladies,

For those of you who don't know me, let me introduce myself. I'm Deb Lawver, the new President of our Council. I first came to St. Philip when I moved to Battle Creek in 1986. My husband and I were married here in 1990 and our daughter attended BCACS schools from pre-school through high school graduation. She and her husband have 2 little ones, the oldest now attends St. Joseph pre-school. My family has a strong connection and commitment to St. Philip, and in that spirit, I'm drawn to involvement in our Council and am very excited about the upcoming year!

I'm retired from a long career in Accounting and Finance and now spend part of my weeks working in the parish office. This has helped me become acquainted with many of our parishioners and take part in the planning and coordinating of parish events, as well as some of the office operations...and I love it!

We'll be sending newsletters out on a quarterly basis, focusing on the events during that quarter. We are now members of the National CCW and have begun working more closely with the Kalamazoo Diocesan CCW. As I receive information and event schedules from those organizations, I will pass them on. We will also continue to interact with our local parish CCW's and their events.

As you complete your membership forms, please mark all of your areas of interest and level of involvement that you desire. One of my goals is to involve as many women as possible in our work. Won't you join me in our fellowship, spiritual enrichment, and fun filled events? I'm looking forward to it!

Many blessings for a safe and healthy summer,  
Deb



## **Upcoming Events**

**July 1, 2025**

### **St. Philip CCW**

- **Membership Drive is ongoing. See the form included in this newsletter.**
- **Next Board Meeting, Monday, August 18th , 7 p.m. in the St. Philip Parish Office Board Room (Seton Center).**
- **Next General Meeting Potluck, late September. Date, time, and menu details to follow.**
- **St. Jerome is hosting a Tri-Parish CCW Potluck on Tuesday, September 16th . Details to follow.**

### **Kalamazoo Diocese CCW is announcing several events (Pilgrimages and Masses)**

- **Friday, August 15, 2025, 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., Jubilee Mass at St. Mary in Marshall.**
  - **Thursday, August 28, 2025, 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., Jubilee Mass at St. Augustine Cathedral Mother Church of the Diocese.**
  - **Monday, September 8, 2025, 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., Jubilee Mass at Sacred Heart of Mary in Silver Creek.**
  - **More complete information can be found by visiting [www.diokzoo.org/jubilee-2025](http://www.diokzoo.org/jubilee-2025).**
  - **We were honored and blessed to have Becky Borglin, KDCCW President attend our Installation Banquet in June. Among other things, she talked about information sharing throughout the diocese's CCWs. To that end, she has a "Flocknote" group email distribution where she periodically sends out information about upcoming events. If you aren't already and would like to be included in this "Flocknote", please contact Judy Beam, St. Philip CCW Membership V.P. at [judybeam13@gmail.com](mailto:judybeam13@gmail.com). Judy will compile a list and forward it to Becky.**
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## ST. PHILIP CCW Membership Form 2025-2026.

☐ RENEW I would like to renew my membership in the St. Philip CCW.

☐ NEW I would like to become a member of the St. Philip CCW.

Name  first  last  spouse name

Address  street  apt / lot # if any  city  zip code

Circle Preferred Phone number ☐ Cell  Home

Email address:

**I am a member of the following circle(s):**

☐ *St. Elizabeth:* ☐ *St. Martha* ☐ *St. Monica*

☐ I am interested in joining a circle

☐ I am interested in forming a circle.

Annual Membership Dues: (Cash or Check only)

☐ \$25 Supporting member-support the CCW with prayers and financial contribution.

☐ \$10 Active members-active in areas of interest as indicated below.

☐ \$0 Honorary members-homebound, unable to be Active or Supporting.

☐ Check if you would like a copy of the Blue Book mailed to you.

**As an ACTIVE MEMBER, I will participate in the following CCW Fund Raisers (check the event/s and circle the activity within the event)**

☐ Bake Sale (baking or selling) ☐ Card Party (donating door prizes, decorating, cooking)

☐ Christmas Décor (calling for orders or pick up desk)

☐ Spring Flower Sale (calling for orders or pick up desk)

☐ Thanksgiving Pie/Bake Sale (making, donating supplies, pick up desk)

☐ Others (TBD)

**As an ACTIVE MEMBER, I will participate in the following St. Philip Service Projects**

☐ Assist with Mailings (including Phantom Ball) ☐ Baking

☐ Committee Member \* ☐ Church cleaning ☐ Funeral Dinners

☐ Garden Club ☐ Hospitality & Receptions

☐ Others (TBD)

**\*Please refer to CCW Bylaws for an explanation.**

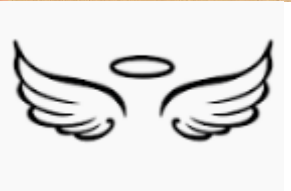
**Please return this form and your dues via the church collection basket or by mail to St. Philip CCW, 112 Capital Ave., NE, Battle Creek, MI 49017 by , Monday July 14, 2025.**

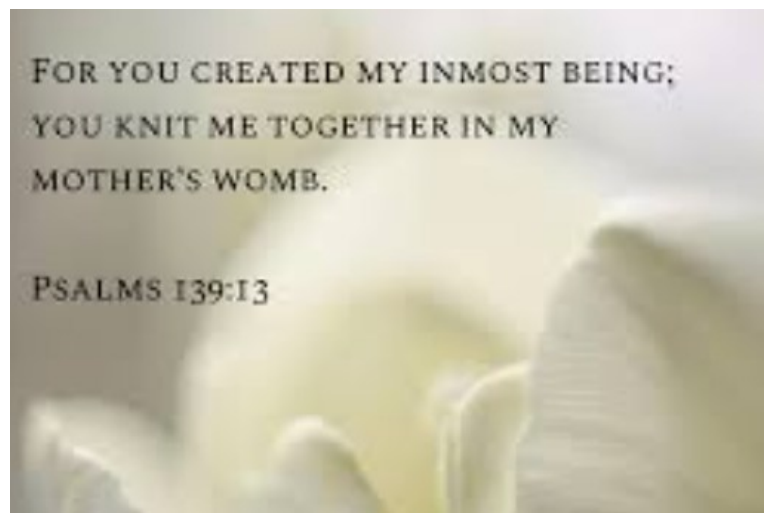
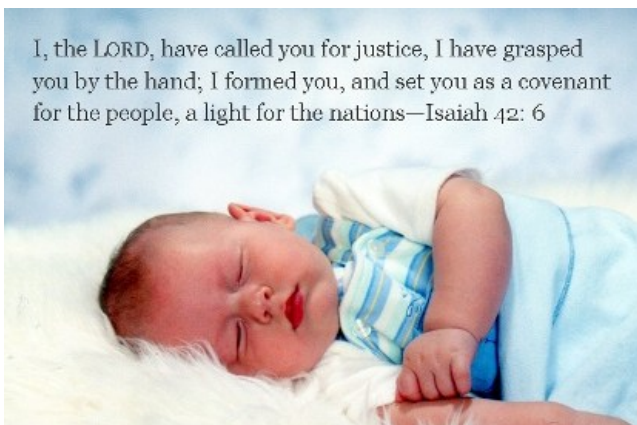
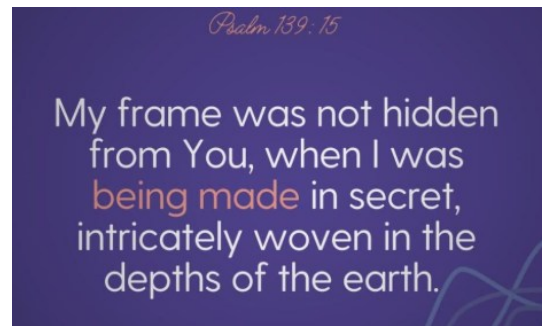
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Amount received  Cash  Check  Check #



June  
Installation  
Banquet





## CCW BULLETIN BOARD

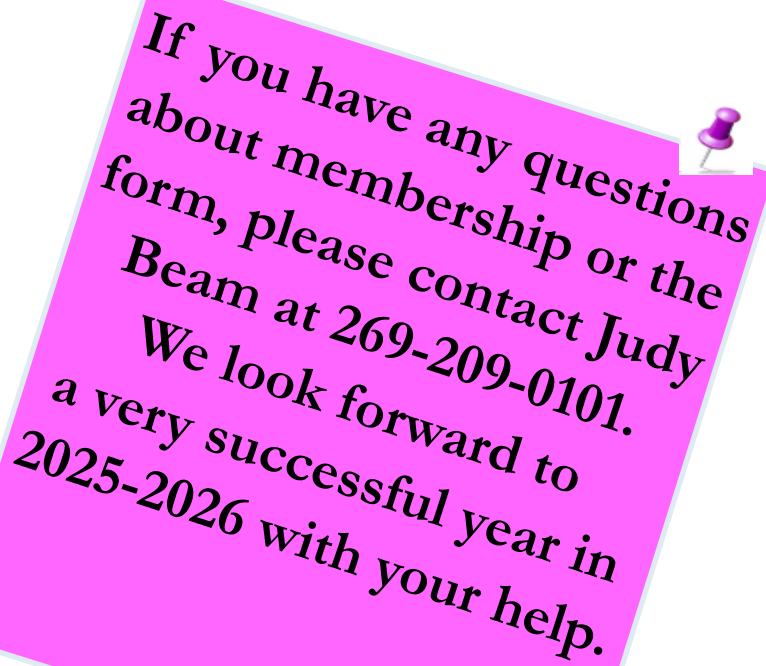
If you have not sent in your membership form and dues for 2025-2026, please do so ASAP so that you will be listed in the Blue Book!



**Next Board Meeting**  
**August 18, 2025**  
**Seton Board Room**  
**All are welcome!**



**Its time to start earning your TRUE BLUE hours for 2025-2026.**  
**There are lots of volunteer opportunities awaiting us in the new year!**



If you have any questions about membership or the form, please contact Judy Beam at 269-209-0101.  
We look forward to a very successful year in 2025-2026 with your help.

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## *St. Philip Council of Catholic*

The Council of Catholic Women publishes *Catholic Women* quarterly.  
Please send information for the October-December Newsletter by  
September 20, 2025  
Send submissions to:  
Sheri Robotham  
sbcobb11@gmail.com



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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.



## *“Friend” CCW on Facebook*

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/>

