



Venice Diocesan Council of Catholic Women

FCCW Report – June, 2020

Unfortunately, we were like all the other dioceses and had to cancel our convention due to the coronavirus. We had a fundraiser night and a priest's appreciation dinner that also had to be cancelled. As much of the preparations and advertising was already done, it was a financial hit also.

But, like everyone else we survived. We contacted the board members to check in with them. The stories we heard were amazing. Our women are so creative.

Some had meetings in the parking lot with social distancing. Some started a book club and they would conference call to discuss it weekly. Some started a share. They e-mailed their members with uplifting stories about what blessing they received during this isolation. And, the majority of them stayed in contact with their members via e-mail with lots of prayers being said.

We continued with our weekly prayer as a Board and laughed at the jokes that were sent as we could relate to them.

We have rescheduled our Fundraiser night to January. We are looking at doing another couple of fundraisers in the deaneries due to the deficit from the convention. We are trying to reschedule the "Golden Rose Award" to August and we are waiting to hear from the Bishop. As these girls may be going off to college, we need to do it in August before they go.

We are thinking of skipping the convention altogether and do one for both years in February. Hopefully we can get together as a Board in June or July to make some of these decisions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ellen Bachman & Brenda Dolan

Co-Presidents