

ST. MARY'S CCW MEETING MINUTES

January 13, 2026

President Therese Cheney called the meeting to order. There were 10 members present. We opened with the Prayer to Mary, Our Lady of Good Counsel. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Secretary's Report:

Tammy Palmer motioned to accept the December 9, 2025 minutes. Rita Cheney seconded. All in favor.

Correspondence:

-We received a Thank you from Jack Pahkala for the Christmas gift.

-2026 MCCL March for Life – Thursday, January 22nd, Noon – 1 pm at the MN Capitol, St. Paul. You can register online or get more information at www.mcc.org/march

Treasurer's Report:

Verdella Musech motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report and was seconded by Cleo Cottrell. All in favor.

Commissions/Spirituality/Leadership: (Submitted by Verdella Musech)

Leadership: It is so important to be a good listener. If we are distracted, we cannot comprehend what is going on and hear all the information during our meetings. We can all become spiritual leaders. We can pray, listen, offer support, mentor and pray again. Let us be known as St. Mary's CCW that embodies spiritual leadership.

Spirituality: The Spirituality Commission chair encourages us to get a copy of the completed resource, "Holy Women on the Pathway to Canonization: American Female Servants of God" -

Seventeen Spiritual Heroines. This resource can be found on the NCCW website (www.nccw.org) for purchase or download for free.

Service: The Service Commission has worked to ensure all NCCW are aware of our website be familiar with the "Members Only Resources" section. There are many powerful, informative, creative and supportive materials to use during service projects, meetings and events. The WCCW encourages us to support and pray for the religious sisters in our Diocese. We encourage you to pray for and thank Fr. Beau, all Priests in service and those retired.

Old Business:

Election of Officers: Rita Cheney motioned and Tammy Palmer seconded the elections of the following Officers. All were in favor.

President: Therese Cheney

Vice President: Molly Stingl

Secretary/Treasurer: Jennifer Herdman

New Business:

CCW Membership Drive: Membership envelopes will be mailed to everyone on our CCW mailing list.

Membership envelopes will also be placed in the entrance of the Church and in the Pews for your convenience.

We appreciate your support!

Prayer Chain: There will be a group text led by Dawn Bogdan to inform CCW members of anyone in need of prayers. If you would like to be added to the group text, please contact Dawn.

Pro-Life Kick-off Evening/ Women's Pregnancy Resource Center/Hat & Mitten Drive

Our DRE, Cristy Trandahl spoke to the group about the upcoming Pro-Life Kick off night here at St. Mary's on Wed., January 21st. We will have a speaker from "Options for Women Pregnancy Resource Center", play Pro-Life Trivia, go "Chalking for Life" and pray the "Litany of Life" in Eucharistic Adoration. If you would like to join us for the meal, please arrive between 5 - 5:30 and the presentation will begin around 6:10. RSVPs are appreciated if you plan to join us for dinner. We are pairing with the Center to help moms in need. A list of items is included below. Items can be brought to the event or there is a pack-n-play set up for you to drop donations at the Church entrance, please give any Gift Cards to Jennifer Herdman in the Church office. We are also holding a hat & mitten drive for North Woods School. Please bring donations to St. Mary's by the 21st. All donations are greatly appreciated!

Material Needs List

Walmart Gift Cards	Kwik Trip Gift Cards	Car Seat Neck Pillow	Pampers (All sizes except newborn)
Toddler Snack cups	Newborn girl PJs	Girl PJs – sz 18mo	Girls dresses-sz 1 yr – 6 yr
Girls outfits sz 24 mo	Boys PJs sz 12-24 mo	Boys outfits sz 18-24 mo	
New toys, books and stuffed animals			

Verdella Musech motioned to donate \$500 to the Pregnancy Resource Center, Tammy Palmer seconded. All in favor.

Proposed Dates for Upcoming Events

Day of Reflection – March 14th 9 - Noon

Spring BINGO – April 19th

Birthday Cards: We would like to collect the birthdays of our members. Note on the Membership envelope there is a spot to write in your birthday month & day. If you are not sending your envelope in, you can email Jennifer at jennifer.herdman@duluthcatholic.org

Magnificat Covers: If you are interested in purchasing a cover for a Magnificat, please see Jennifer in the office.

Tammy Palmer motioned to donate \$100 to the Amundson Family for Brayden's trip to Lake Placid in March for hockey. Cleo Cottrell seconded. All in favor. Good luck to Brayden & his team!

Tammy Palmer motioned to adjourn the meeting. Beau Amundson seconded. All in favor.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 10th at 10:00 am.

Closing Prayer: Hail Mary

Respectfully submitted by,

Jennifer Herdman

Jennifer Herdman, Secretary/Treasurer