

ST. MARY'S CCW MEETING MINUTES

May 12, 2026

President Therese Cheney called the meeting to order. There were 9 members present. We opened with the Prayer to Mary, Our Lady of Good Counsel. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Secretary's Report:

Cleo Cottrell motioned to accept the minutes from April 14, 2026. Colleen Wooster seconded. All in favor.

Correspondence:

- We received thank you cards & letters from Cristy Trandahl & the Faith Formation students, North Woods Bear Bots, Virgie Hegg, and the Women's Care Center.
- We received a newsletter from Virgie-Hegg, and solicitations from Choose Life MN, The Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia in TN, and the Family Life Center in Hibbing.
- Verdella Musech motioned to donate \$500.00 to the Family Life Center; Rita Cheney seconded. All in favor.

Treasurer's Report:

- Rita Cheney motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report and was seconded by Cleo Cottrell. All in favor.
- Colleen Wooster motioned to renew the \$7500.00 CD at NSCU when it matures on May 16th. The new CD is 3.75% APR and is a 10-month CD. Bea Amundson seconded the motion. All in favor.

Commissions/Spirituality/Leadership:

Leadership: One thing good leaders have in common is they have mentors to guide them on their journey. We praise and thank the Holy Spirit who always brings us new, capable sisters who carry out our mission statement to support you, empower you and educate you. What is God calling YOU to do?

Spirituality: As Catholic women, what type of role models do we desire for our daughters, nieces, granddaughters and community members? Some gifts could be faith in God, prayer, love, selflessness, strength, home, wisdom, encouragement, kindness and respect. Happy Mother's Day!

Service: Because of our Prayer Chanin connection, we aid and support our community in need. Could we expand this ministry? Bring us your thoughts and ideas. The NCCW reminds us to pray for past and present spiritual advisers.

Old Business:

Spring BINGO: Our annual Spring BINGO was a big success! We raised \$2,246.00 this year! Thank you to everyone who donated their time, food, prize money, prize baskets and all who attended this event! We also would like to thank the youth from our Parish that came to help setting up, cleaning up, selling cards and calling out prizes!

Timber Days: The CCW is hoping to have a float in the Timber Days Parade on Sunday, June 14th. Please contact Therese Cheney if you are interested in helping decorate the float.

Fellowship Dinner: We enjoyed a wonderful evening with delicious food made by Tammy Palmer and an engaging presentation from Toni Monsivais from Little Blessings Gift Shop in Cook – she reminded us that we need to take care of ourselves first if we are expected to take care of others. Fr. Beau sat and visited with us for a bit also. We all look forward to having another fellowship dinner next year. It is nice to see all the ladies who can not attend our monthly meetings!

New Business:

Sinner's & Saints Golf Scramble: The tournament will be held on Sunday, June 28, 2026. An executive decision to donate a \$250.00 cash prize on the raffle ticket was made by our officers before the meeting because the raffle

tickets needed to be printed before the meeting date. The CCW will also cover the cost of the meal as in years passed which was voted on at our last meeting. Help will be needed selling tickets again this year – all proceeds from the tournament will go to St. Mary's Building & Improvement Fund. If you would like some tickets, please see Jennifer Herdman.

Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe: There has been discussion of the ladies making a trip to visit this Shrine with some of the younger girls in our Parish. The shrine is in La Crosse, WI. We will be looking into more details about making this a reality. If you are interested, please let Therese Cheney know.

Sunshine Girl – Cleo Cottrell was nominated to be our "Sunshine Girl". Cleo will be in charge of getting out Mass cards and any prayer intentions that are needed within our Parish Family and the community.

Postage-The price of stamps will be increasing in July by \$4 per roll. Cleo Cottrell motioned to purchase six rolls of stamps. The motion was seconded by Lee Ehrbright. All in favor.

Other News: We would like to congratulate Therese Cheney on her engagement! We are all very excited for you Therese!

Adjournment: Rita Cheney motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jennifer Herdman seconded. All in favor.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 9 at 10:00 am. We will be having a small luncheon in celebration of Fr. Beau's Ordination Anniversary, if you would like to bring something for the luncheon, please see Therese Cheney.

Closing Prayer: Hail Mary

Respectfully submitted by,
Jennifer Herdman, Secretary/Treasurer

Happy Birthday to these ladies in May!

Sunny Hecomovich – 3rd and Kelly Flack – 17th

**If you have not yet provided me with your birthday month & year, please email me at jennifer.herdman@duluthcatholic.org*

A group picture from our Fellowship Dinner on May 5th (Cinco de Mayo)

