PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL Patroness of the National Council of Catholic Women



God of heavenly wisdom, You have given us Mary, Mother of Jesus, to be our guide and counselor.

Grant that we may always seek her motherly help in this life, and so enjoy her blessed presence in the life to come.

O Mother of Good Counsel, Patroness of the National Council of Catholic Women, intercede for us, that we may be wise, courageous, and loving leaders of the Church.

Help us, dear Mother, to know the mind of Jesus, your Son.

May the Holy Spirit fill us with reverence for God's creation, and compassion for all God's children.

May our labors of love on earth enhance the reign of God; and may God's gifts of faith and living hope prepare us for the fullness of the world to come. Amen.



Who We Are:

The National Council of Catholic Women (NCCW) is:

- United voice and presence of American Catholic Women
- Membership is open to ALL Catholic women
- Provides opportunities for personal faith growth
- An avenue to connect with Catholic women across the country
- Visit: www.nccw.org

The Dubuque Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) is:

- A volunteer organization for Catholic women in the Archdiocese of Dubuque
- United for apostolic action at the request of the Archbishop of Dubuque
- Affiliated with the National Council of Catholic Women (NCCW) and the World Union of Catholic Women's Organisations (WUCWO)
- A voice for the women of the Dubuque Archdiocese to speak and act as a unit on matters of mutual interest
- Visit: <u>www.dbqarch.org/accw</u>

What We Do:

Through its Commissions/Committees, NCCW/ACCW provides:

- Resources
- Prayers
- Programs to enhance members' spirituality, leadership, and service
- Advocacy for Catholic values at local, national, and international levels
- Leadership training and development

Service Commission:

The Service Commission engages the members and all people, in working to address the needs and concerns of their individual communities, and supports and enhances family life within the Church and Society.

Leadership Commission:

The Leadership Commission provides organization development, opportunities for training, as well as public relations resources and publications to strengthen leadership.

Spirituality Commission:

The Spirituality Commission reinforces faith and supports service to the Church and to the world through discipleship and spiritual growth.

The National Council of Catholic Women was founded in 1920 by the U.S. Catholic bishops to provide all Catholic women a common voice and an instrument of unified action.



MISSION STATEMENT:

The National Council of Catholic Women acts through its members to support, empower, and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership, and service. NCCW programs respond with Gospel values to the needs of the Church and society in the modern world.