

St. Petersburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, Inc.

56th Annual Convention

“Courageously Living the Gospel with Faith, Family and Friends”



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The National Council of Catholic Women (NCCW) 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.

Greetings:

Recently, our Bishop, the Most Reverend Gregory Parkes, sent you a letter inviting your participation in Heavenly Benefactors, an annual fundraiser of the St. Petersburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women.

This project funds a significant portion of our annual budget, assisting members to develop and share leadership skills by attending National Council of Catholic Women (NCCW) and Florida Council of Catholic Women/Province of Miami (FCCW) conventions, leadership conferences and lobbying in Tallahassee during Days at the Capitol, all of which help keep them well informed and well prepared for active involvement in community, social and religious concerns.

To assist the St. Petersburg Council of Catholic Women (SPDCCW) in this once a year project, the communication of Bishop Parkes strongly approves and encourages the support of these initiatives. In the past, this appeal produced a much appreciated and fruitful response from retired priests as well as **parishes, whether or not they have affiliated women's group** within their parishes.

We welcome and greatly appreciate your selecting one of the eight (8) categories of donations – from \$5.00 Supporting Angel; \$10 (Memorials, Mentors & Cherubs) to over \$100 (Special Angels). Our hope **is that when you read the accompanying submission form you will find a “Category of Support”** that is just right for you.

When postmarked by the March 15, 2024 deadline, honorees and/or contributors connected with heavenly Benefactors' donation will be printed in the Convention Program. These and any submissions received after the postmarked March 15, 2024 deadline will be included on separate sheet of paper that will be inserted in the Program book.

Your assistance is a vital link in the success of Heavenly Benefactors and a vibrant 2023-2024 term of the St. Petersburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. Please feel free to duplicate and distribute the enclosed form to friends and family members. We **THANK YOU** for your support! May God abundantly bless you!

Yours in Jesus and Mary,

Mary M Wolfman, Heavenly Benefactors Chairman