



A message to the faithful of the archdiocese from Archbishop
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A letter to Catholic women in the archdiocese

Dear Catholic Women in the Archdiocese of Dubuque,

Membership Sunday for the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) is held every year near the feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel on 26 April. I encourage all Catholic women over the age of 18 to consider becoming members, if you are not already one.

The ACCW is an affiliate of the National Council of Catholic Women, an organization made up of diocesan councils of Catholic women, other women's groups, as well as individual members (for more information, see their website: www.nccw.org).

The ACCW mission statement commits its members to support, empower, and educate Catholic women in the areas of spirituality, leadership, and service. The programs sponsored by the ACCW respond with Gospel values to the needs of the Church and society in the modern world.

The ACCW also very generously supports the priests and seminarians of the Archdiocese of Dubuque, especially through their good prayers, and gifts of appreciation, such as an ordination gift of a Jerusalem Cross stole.

Their annual archdiocesan convention will be held on 21 October 2017, in Tama.

I am grateful to all the members of the ACCW for all that they do as partners in the Church's ministry to continue the mission of Jesus. Please consider being a new member, for personal benefit, for the true development of society in justice, peace and love, and for the glory of God.

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Archbishop of Dubuque

