The Circle of Love is a perfect start for changing our lives. Start with spending more time with Jesus. Read the Bible every day. Thank God for every day. Give from your heart by visiting the sick, praying for all God’s people, giving food to the hungry and clothing to those in need or preparing a Box of Joy. Study the lives of the saints then imitate them in your life. Share your God-given talents at home, work or the church. With the many challenges in this pandemic year, have we spent more time listening to, talking with and enjoying our families? A weekly game night is one great way to set time aside for just being with our loved ones. Attending Mass as a family is a wonderful way to tell our children without saying a word that God is important to this family. Many ball games, parties and gatherings were curtailed this year giving each one of us an opportunity to gather as family. Remember Father Peyton and his words, “The family that prays together, stays together.” As prayerful women, may we always remember in our prayers our loved ones here on earth, those who are in heaven and our great organization.

The March for Life will be held January 21, 2022. Your national officers and directors will be attending the Vigil Mass at the Basilica of National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception the evening of January 20. Please pray for us as we travel to Washington, DC, and march with many other pilgrims to support life from conception to natural death.

Most courts have returned to in-person meetings. The challenge of Zoom meetings, planning a fund-raiser or just keeping members informed was difficult this year. Are we better about coming to our local meetings and volunteering because we missed that during the challenging pandemic? Am I pleased with who I was this past year? Could I have been kinder to everyone, even those I did not know? Was I willing to take a chance to make life a little better for my family? My court? My world? So, my dear sisters, we have another chance to make a difference! Take that chance with a smile, and “Let all you do be done with love.” 1 Cor 16:14

The First Call to the 59th Biennial Convention in San Juan, Puerto Rico, will be sent in December. Consider attending the convention. Our sisters in Puerto Rico are planning a beautiful convention. And they love to party! Tuesday evening, July 19, Father Willie Peña, and his students from the college will be presenting a tribute to Puerto Rico. Father is known for his fabulous productions. This will be an evening to remember. Interesting tours will be available. We have important business to complete. Please send your suggested bylaw changes to Carolyn Malik, National Bylaw Chairman, P.O. Box 243, Shiner, TX 77984 by January 15, 2022.

May love and laughter light your days and warm your hearts and homes.
God bless you in the new year.