



Greetings from Palm Beach!

I am blessed – not only because of my faith, but for all our Council Sisters that have rallied to keep their Councils intact during these difficult times. I can truly say that our Deanery Presidents and our Affiliation Presidents have stepped up to the plate and are trying hard to keep our Councils going.

We had our summer Diocesan meeting in August and accomplished quite a bit. Our calendar is set and Bishop Barbarito will be attending all of our functions that we requested of him. Many of our church halls are still unavailable to us and it has been a challenge to get events set up, but we are persevering and praying that places safely will begin to open up and allow us to get back to our “normal” venues.

Over the summer, our Vice President and myself presented our Burse Fund and A Place at the Table checks to Bishop Barbarito. Our Remembrance Tree co-chairs and myself presented the Seminarian Emergency Fund check to the St. Vincent de Paul Seminary. Our three High School Scholarship awards were mailed their checks and certificates. All these are usually done each year at our convention, but as we are quarantined, this was the best way to achieve our goal of providing for the young ladies, young men and the hungry.

Our service project will continue with Human Trafficking. We work closely with Catholic Charities to collect items for the victims of this horrific crime. Our training, for the time being, is focused on Parliamentary Procedures, which our own, Betty McKinley, will facilitate at 3 different locations and dates to accommodate our ladies of the entire Diocese and their schedules. We are getting additional information for the NCCW LTD online training to continue our strong leadership here in Palm Beach.

We are looking forward to the FCCW luncheon so we can gather together again as a group to share our love for Council and each other.

“This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad.”

Our Lady of Good Counsel, pray for us.

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Our Lord is the Master and we are His Masterpieces