



# CCW NEWS

***Mission:** To support, empower, and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership, and service and to respond with Gospel values to the needs of the Church and society in the modern world.*

## Theme: "In Jesus' Name We Serve"

### 2024-2026 OFFICERS



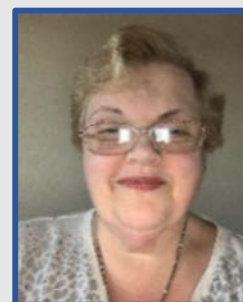
**Rose Mary Bossman**  
President



**Arlene DeRosa**  
Vice President



**Dawna Thomas**  
Treasurer



**Cathy Flaherty**  
Secretary

### GENERAL MEETING:

9/24 & 10/29  
1-3 pm

### DATES TO REMEMBER

### DECK THE HALLS

#### RAFFLE:

November 23 & 24

### FALL NDCCW MEETING:

October 19

St. Paul, Leesburg

### BUSY HANDS:

9/13 & 27,  
10/11 & 25, 11/8  
9:30-11:30

### **Membership is open to ALL Women**

Meetings are held September thru April on the last Tuesday of the each month from 1:00 to 3:00 pm in the Family Life Center. For more information email the

President RoseMary Bossman at  
[rmb@rnexec.com](mailto:rmb@rnexec.com) or 954-410-5067  
(text preferred).

The **St. Vincent DePaul Council of Catholic Women** is an affiliate of the Orlando Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (ODCCW) and the National Council of Catholic Women (NCCW). The NCCW is a member of the World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations (WUCWO) and is an affiliate of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB).



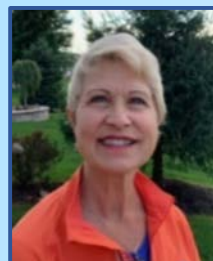
Gerri Rubico and husband Anthony celebrating their 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

## 2024-2026 COMMISSION CHAIRS

**STILL NEEDED:  
SERVICE  
COMMISSION &  
LEGISLATIVE  
ADVOCACY  
VOLUNTEERS**



Barbara DeLeo, Ethel Porpora  
Leadership Co-Chairs



Charlene Hamilton, Daria O'Brien  
Spirituality Co-Chairs



## SUMMER HAPPENINGS



Our new Officers were installed and received a blessing by our Spiritual Advisor Father Kenny.



Daria O'Brien & Charlene Hamilton attended the National Eucharist Congress in Indianapolis.



Susan Steinbach  
Northern Deanery  
Rep.



Susan Pistilli  
Media Liaison &  
Publicity



Kitty  
Gedman  
Parliamentarian



Sharon  
Pierscioneck  
Past President



Rose Mary Bossman, Barbara DeLeo & Sharon Pierscioneck attended the ODCCW Leadership Symposium at St. Stephen's in Titusville.



## Saint of the Month: Saint Teresa of Avila

ST. TERESA  
OF AVILA

October 15th

1515-1582



When Teresa was 20 she entered a Carmelite convent that had become very lax. She was fine with this for eighteen years, but then felt called to a deeper prayer life and to begin a reformed branch of the order known as the "Shoeless" Carmelites. In 1970 Blessed Paul VI named her Doctor of the Church.

Saint Teresa of Jesus was a great contemplative who understood well that "the reason for prayer is the birth always of good works." "Let us understand", she wrote, "that true perfection consists in love of God and neighbor."

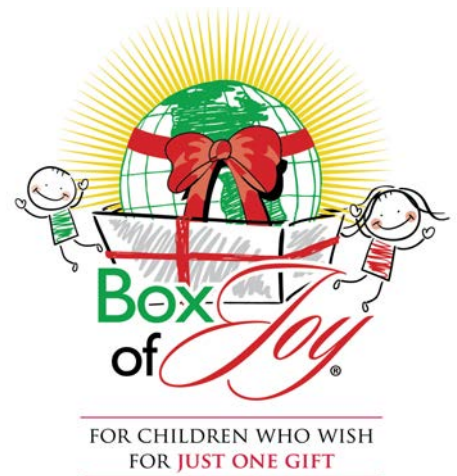
One translation of a poem she wrote about the Body of Christ goes: "Christ has no body now on earth but yours, no hands but yours, no feet but yours; yours are the eyes through which he looks with compassion on the world, yours are the feet with which he is to go about doing good, and yours are the hands with which he blesses all the world."

She also wrote the following verse: "Let nothing disturb you. Let nothing make you afraid. All things are passing. God alone never changes. Patience gains all things. If you have God you will want for nothing. God alone suffices."

## EVERY CHILD DESERVES A CHRISTMAS GIFT

CCW is sponsoring a parish-wide international project with Cross Catholic Outreach. **Box of Joy®** are Christmas gifts sent to children in developing countries like Haiti and the Dominican Republic. Filled with toys, clothing & school supplies, these gifts will demonstrate Christ's compassion to a child who may have never before received a Christmas gift.

St. Vincent DePaul has committed to filling 300 boxes. Boxes will be distributed during our September meeting to be returned as filled at the October meeting. Please contact Project Coordinator RoseMary Bossman for more information.



### From Legislative Advocacy

This committee provides resources to the members that will help guide a formation of conscience rooted in Catholic Social Teaching, promote Catholic values in the public square and facilitate an understanding of and participation in the legislative process. Current focus on this election year is Amendment 4. The lack of specific definition of the underlined items on AMENDMENT 4 regarding: **No law, Viability, Patient's Health, Health care Provider, Notification** leaves a lot of speculation and confusion. It strips parent's consent for minors. If passed, it will make Florida an abortion destination. We need to pray and preach NO to this!

# DO NO HARM



## Ballot Summary:

No law shall prohibit, penalize, delay, or restrict abortion before viability or when necessary to protect the patient's health, as determined by the patient's healthcare provider. This amendment does not change the Legislature's constitutional authority to require notification to a parent or guardian before a minor has an abortion.

#1

Repels all common-sense laws enacted by our duly elected state rerepresentatives.

#2

Viability is not defined, will include painful, late term abortions through birth.

#3

Includes physical, mental, emotional and financial health.

#4

No definition for healthcare provider, will include non-physicians.

#5

Parental notification is NOT parental consent.

Scan to learn more!



# DO NO HARM



## SAY NO TO

## ALLOWING LATE TERM ABORTIONS THROUGH BIRTH

See #2

## SAY NO TO

## REMOVING ALL PROTECTIONS FOR WOMEN & CHILDREN

See #3  
See #4

## SAY NO TO

## ELIMINATING PARENTAL RIGHTS

See #5

## VOTE NO ON AMENDMENT 4

## NOVEMBER 5TH

☐ YES  
☒ NO

### Amendment 4