



## St. Katharine Drexel Council of Catholic Women January 2025

The St. Katharine Drexel Council of Catholic Women is an affiliate of the Diocese of Venice Council of Catholic Women (VDCCW) 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).



### St. Katharine Drexel Council of Catholic Women General Membership Meeting

*General Membership Meeting*  
Thursday, January 2, 2025  
Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the Month

**Place:** Parish Hall  
**Mass:** 9:00 am  
**Meeting Time:** 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

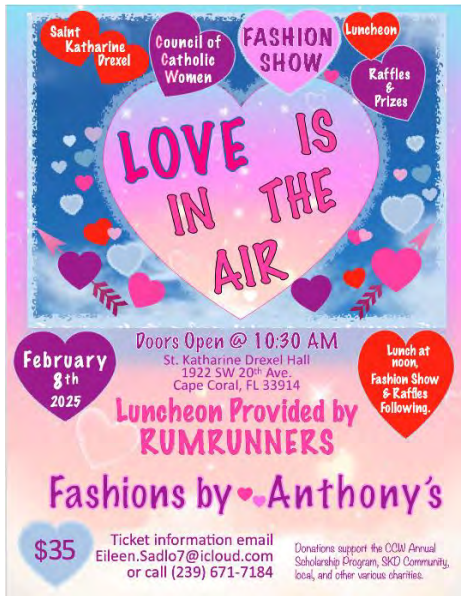


**General Membership Meeting: Parish Hall**  
Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the Month  
Thursday, January 2, 2025

**Trip to Ave Maria University**  
Tuesday, January 14, 2025  
Contact: Ellen Stock, 239-203-1513  
Sign up Sheet: Jan 2, Membership Meeting!

**Bunco: Parish Hall**  
Meets every third Thursday of the month.  
Thursday, January 16, 2025

**SKD CCW Board Meeting:**  
**Faith Formation Building West**  
Meets last Thursday of the month  
Thursday, January 30, 2025



**General Membership Meeting: Parish Hall**  
Thursday, February 6, 2025

**SKD CCW Fashion Show: Parish Hall**  
Saturday, February 8, 2025  
**Doors Open: 10:30 am; Lunch at Noon**  
**Cost: \$25; Contact: Eileen Sadlo, 239-671-7184**

**Bunco: Parish Hall**  
Meets every third Thursday of the month  
Thursday, February 20, 2025

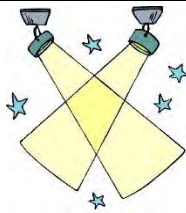
**CCW Board Meeting**  
Meets every fourth Thursday of the month  
Thursday, February 27, 2025



### **A Parliamentary Minute...**

Before listing the Bylaws and Amendments, I wanted to take this minute to thank you for your support. As Parliamentarian, my goal is to enhance discussion and debate, to support our President and fearless leader, and to encourage members to participate in our General Membership Meetings ... and votes! Our Bylaws will be amended this month, so it is fitting that the Bylaws are discussed here.

**Bylaws 101** - When SKD CCW started in 1991, they set out a group of definitive rules to order its membership, governance structure, and standing rules. These are our bylaws. They are the bones of the organization that allow us to operate. In terms of order, our bylaws come before Robert's Rules of Order. Once the originals are established, any change to the bylaws after that becomes an amendment to the bylaws or, if completely rewritten, a revised set of bylaws. For them to be approved, the general membership must vote on them. Once approved, the bylaws supersede the original bylaws. Bylaws need to reflect the changing needs of the organization as well as the new innovations of the time. A good example of this is the upcoming amendment of our bylaws to include email voting and virtual meetings. We may not act on these items immediately, but if those items are in the bylaws, we can seamlessly, and legally, hold both voting by email as well as hold virtual meetings when they are needed.



### **January: A day in the life of a SKD CCW Member: Questions, we get questions: What does it mean to be a member?**

Being a member of the St. Katharine Drexel Council of Catholic Women (SKD CCW) is all about women who care about our faith, issues of the Church, our community, and world. Our focus is serving God and our community.

### **Do I have to volunteer for every project, is there a quota, will it be expensive?**

You are a volunteer. You can spend as much, or as little, time in helping to plan events, be on a committee, or lead a group as you want. We encourage you to participate – it's fun – but no quota. All expenses related to your work on a committee or event may be submitted for reimbursement to our treasurer, Donna Scherer.

### **What if I have family issues and can't come to the meeting?**

Our guideline is family first – so take care of your loved one and, when things calm down or lessen, join us in our events and committees. The SKD CCW encompasses all members, we are working toward making it easier for you to participate in meetings and, in some cases, voting.

### **A day in the life....**

A day in the life of a SKD CCW member is joyful, knowing we are supported by the women in our group, our National Council of Catholic Women (NCCW) of which we are an affiliate, and the enormous number of women like us across the country as we try our best to do good, serve God, and serve our parish.

Micah 6:8 You have been told, O Mortal, what is good, and what the Lord requires of you. Only to do justice and love goodness, and to walk humbly with your God.

*~The Catholic Study Bible, NABRE, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, Oxford University Press*

