



## ***St. Katharine Drexel Council of Catholic Women***

### ***May 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**

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Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the Month  
**Installation of New Officers**  
**Thursday, May 1, 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



This is our final meeting for the season  
Thank you for joining us!!!



**Mother's Day Flower Sale: Church**  
May 10, 4 PM Vigil, May 11, All Masses

**Respect Life: Maria Maddalena**, 239-540-7096  
Prayer - Planned Parenthood, Ft. Myers  
Every Thursday starting at Noon  
Rosary for Life - SKD Chapel, May 13, 2025  
12 Noon – 1 PM  
Diaper Drive, May 17-18, 2025

**Bunco: Parish Hall**  
Meets every third Thursday of the month.  
Thursday, May 15, 2025, 11 am – 2 pm

**SKD CCW Board Meeting:**  
**Faith Formation Building West**  
Meets last Thursday of the month  
Thursday, May 29, 2025, 10 am



My dear CCW members,  
It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as your president. I am so very grateful for the support, dedication, hard work, collaboration, and positive energy.  
No person is an island, it takes a village. You have been my village, and together we have accomplished our goals.  
I have faith that with your new slate of officers and commission chairs, CCW will continue to do great things.  
Sincerely  
*Maddy*



**Future Leaders of SKD CCW  
September 2025-May 2026**

President	Mary Ann Bedell
President-Elect	Ellen Stock
Treasurer	Donna Scherer
Recording Secretary	Susan McClure
Parliamentarian	Sandy Caldwell
Spirituality	Eileen Hartley
Spiritual Advisor	Rose Talbot-Babey
Leadership	Rose Donato, Lynne Curr
Service	Peggy Thomas
Membership	Roxana Nicholson
E-Communications	Kathy Giardina
Nominating	Sandy Caldwell
Hospitality	Judy Curtis, Ann Young
Historian	Anna Yacavone



### **A Parliamentary Minute... The Process**

We took a vote, elected officers for the Executive Committee and chairwomen for each Commission. How do they know what to do? During the process of election, they were each given a job description which is taken from the Bylaws. It outlines their duties in that role. Each woman has a separate talent; they can do more, but not less.



Once elected, our Bylaws state in *Section 3 that newly elected officers (and chairwomen) shall be installed in May and assume their duties at the final Board meeting in May.* The May Installation ceremony is chosen by the President. This year the Installation will be held at the Parish Hall before the General Membership Meeting. Our Spiritual Advisor, Rose Talbot-Babey, will be officiating. Each officer and chairwoman will profess their commitment for their term. These women are the newly elected Board of Directors. Please include all our new leaders in your prayers. The Board meets from September through May. Having the women begin their role in May, before the new season begins, gives them the summer to assemble their committees and plan their Commission goals.



### **Spotlight: SKD CCW Closes for Season**

The SKD CCW season is closing. The month of May marks the end of the old season. Fortunately, May also initiates the change in officers for the Board of Directors. Each officer and chairwoman represent you, the Assembly, on the Board. We will be working throughout the summer, behind the scenes, to plan a new calendar, round out the commission members, and create a plan we can use in the new season. We may publish an SKD CCW Bulletin if necessary. In the meantime, we wish you a wonderful, relaxing summer. If during the summer you have any prayer requests, questions or concerns, our SKD CCW E-Communications is always available by emailing Kathy Giardina at [staroflife4003@aol.com](mailto:staroflife4003@aol.com). We hope in your travels and many different connections that you'll bring back ideas and programs to share with us.



### **Mother's Day Flower Sale**



Volunteers will be at the main entrance for the 4 pm Mass on Saturday, May 10, and after all Masses on Sunday. Be sure to stop by and pick up a bouquet for your Mom!

**Flowers for Mom are always a good thing!**

### **It's a Celebration!**



SKD CCW Celebrates its 34<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
*May 8, 1991 – May 8, 2025*

♪ We're still standing ♪

Are you interested in being part of our wonderful CCW community of women? Speak with our new President, or anyone on the Nominating Commission, to talk about the available roles, responsibilities, and fun of being part of this whole.