





This is the last in the series of connections. At the beginning of a new year, you can see how we line up. Starting with the USCCB all the way down to us, the SKD CCW!

## January Connection ... Connecting the Dots ...



### St. Katharine Drexel Council of Catholic Women First Saturday Mass Intentions

The First Saturday Mass starts on January 3, 2026 and occurs each Saturday until December 5, 2026. Each Mass holds intentions that are purchased by parishioners.

Mary Ann Bedell, our president, has purchased the intentions of the First Saturday of the Month for the year as a Christmas gift to membership - dedicating the intentions to living and deceased CCW members.

Thank you, Mary Ann!



### **Charity Feature**

Thrive

<https://thriveswfl.org/>

At Thrive we see each person as unique, precious, and worthy of our personal investment into their life. Our desire to come alongside each mom, leading her to sustainable stability, is a guiding principle for our team. Thrive exists to provide pregnant women and single moms with a safe haven leading to life transformation.

As we meet the physical needs of each woman and her children, she can focus on becoming strong and wise. She's given the opportunity to further her education, receive job training, and learn how to care for herself, her children and her home. Core values are 1)God, He is the Source; 2)Family, You belong; 3) Ownership, Think like a Boss; 4) Honesty, Tell the whole story; and 5)Integrity, Do What You Say.

*"May the Lord cause you to flourish, both you and your children. May you be blessed by the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth." ~ Psalms 115:14-15 NIV*



### Prayer for the New Year

Loving God, as we cross the threshold of a New Year,  
we lift our hearts in gratitude for the sacred gift of womanhood—  
for the power to nurture life, the bravery to guide others,  
and the quiet grace that flows through every act of service.

Please bless the women of our Council, especially those carrying heavy burdens.  
Bind us together in the sisterhood that you have woven,  
that we may walk as one -- steadfast, compassionate, and strong -- through  
every valley and every sunrise.

Thank you for your faithful presence beside us,  
leading us into a New Year filled with hope, blessing, and renewal. Amen.