



St. Katharine Drexel Council of Catholic Women

January 2026

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
Tuesday, January 6, 2026
Different Day due to Holiday

Place: Parish Hall
Mass: 9:00 am
Time: 10:00 am – 1 PM
Lunch: **Potluck,**
Bring a Dish!
Speaker: Alice Hofer, Bootstraps



Respect Life: Maria
Maddalena,
239-540-7096

Prayer - Planned Parenthood, Ft. Myers
Every Thursday starting @ Noon.
Rosary for Life – SKD Chapel - Saturday,
January 13, 2026 @ Noon
Diaper Drive (size 4, 5 and 6) + wipes +
shampoo – weekend of January 17-18, 2026

Bunco: Parish Hall 11 am – 2 pm
Thursday, January 15, 2026

SKD CCW Board Meeting:
Faith Formation Building West
Thursday, January 29, 2026
Time: 11 am – 2 pm



General Membership Meeting, Parish Hall
Thursday, February 5, 2026
10 am – 12 pm, Potluck Lunch 12:30-1 pm

SKD CCW Board Meeting, FF West
Thursday, February 26, 2026, FFW
10 am – 12 pm

Bunco: Parish Hall 11 am – 2 pm
Thursday, February 19, 2026



January Connection ... Connecting the Dots ...

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!

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations

National Council of Catholic Women

Florida Council of Catholic Women

Venice Diocese Council of Catholic Women

St. Katharine Drexel Council of Catholic Women



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.