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## Report of the Province Director Province of Louisville

All three active dioceses of the Province of Louisville met in January.

**The Diocese of Knoxville** met on January 14<sup>th</sup>. They began the day saying the Rosary with about 500 others, including Cardinal Rigali, in front of the local office of Planned Parenthood. The ladies then returned to the Chancery office for their official meeting.

Reports of the commissions and of the deaneries were given. A complete copy of each report is available on the KDCCW website; [www.kdcccw.org](http://www.kdcccw.org)

The Knoxville diocesan council was planning a second organ concert at the Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul in February, to benefit the Bishop's seminarian fund. Unfortunately, due to Father Tom's health he had to postpone the concert to a yet to be determined date.

The ladies of the Smoky Mountain Deanery are preparing for the annual convention to be held in Gatlinburg, April 26, 27, & 28, 2012. The theme for the convention will be "***Lessons learned from our Mothers***". Registration information and forms are available on [www.kdcccw.org](http://www.kdcccw.org).

**Nashville Diocesan Council:** The Nashville Diocesan Council met on January 21<sup>st</sup> at Our Lady of the Lake church in Lebanon, TN. The hostesses were the "moms plus" group from the parish. Their ministry in council is the support of the mothers in the parish. They meet weekly for prayer and fellowship.

In order to promote membership in NDCCW, the board has developed membership cards for the ladies. They also send a certificate suitable for framing to each affiliate that pays its dues to National. Their council is establishing visitation teams to visit non-affiliated parishes during the next year.

The NDCCW is establishing a past president's group, which, hopefully will be able to help in promoting NCCW to the affiliates.

One affiliate is making simple "pillowcase" dresses for their twin parish in Haiti and provided the patterns for other churches to do the same.

The Nashville DCCW is promoting a "Rosary for Priests". Each lady is asked to sign up to pray a rosary for the Priests on a given day of the month. It was suggested that one choose a special day – a birthday or anniversary so it would be memorable.

Nashville Diocesan Council will be having their bi-annual retreat April 19-21 at Henry Horton State Park with the theme: *"Go and Teach All Nations"*.

Their meeting ended with a speaker on Immigration whose message was: *"There are no Boundaries to the Mystical Body of Christ"*. Mass and Luncheon followed.

**The Memphis Diocesan Council** of Catholic Women held their annual ecumenical breakfast on January 28<sup>th</sup>. 98 people attended from various faith expressions. It was held on the campus of Memphis University.

There was a prayer service loosely based on the format of the mass, with prayer and scripture readings – Old Testament, psalm, epistle and gospel readings. The Keynote speaker, Rev. Linda Willis, co-Pastor of New Life in Christ Fellowship Church in Southaven, MS, gave the homily on the theme: *"We will all be changed by the Victory of Our Lord Jesus Christ"*.

President Jackie White is encouraging the ladies groups of the churches to affiliate with National and promoting NCCW at every opportunity.