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Greetings to the Women of St Mary's Parish.

Your parish registration ensures that you are a member of The Saint Mary Council of Catholic Women. We are proud that ours is the only active Council within Arlington Diocese's Deanery VII, which consists of ten parishes; and proud to be part of a service organization founded in 1920 under the auspices of the U.S. Bishops.

Our Saint Mary CCW is active in parish and community endeavors. Through the loving service of many, we are able to provide assistance to several local pro-life organizations; sponsor an American Heritage Girls Troop; offer a creative outlet and fellowship through Craft Group; operate the Circle of Love and Prayers and Squares ministries which assist parishioners in crisis situations; and so much more. These and other enjoyable activities can provide an opportunity for you to use your God given gifts. After a pandemic-driven hiatus, our General Meetings were returned to the parish calendar in September 2021. We meet the third Tuesday of each month through May, with many interesting speakers. Please join us!

CCW operating funds are generated through donations and an annual raffle; the drawing takes place the first Sunday in December. Raffle tickets are available via the membership form below and are sold at general meetings as well as after some Masses the weekend before the drawing. If you would like to participate in the drawing for 25% of the proceeds (up to \$500), please increase your donation by \$5 increments for each ticket, along with your \$10 membership donation. We will record your donation, and come December will put your ticket/tickets "in the hat" (i.e., \$20 pays a membership donation and gives 2 chances in the drawing; \$25 = membership + 3 chances, and so on.) Your donation (cash or check payable to St. Mary's CCW), along with the membership form, may be brought to a general meeting, turned in at the Parish Office, or mailed to the address in our letterhead, above.

Providing your email address will bring you the St. Mary CCW Newsletter, which will keep you informed of activities and volunteer opportunities. Please also bookmark our new website, https://www.stmaryccw.org!

Blessings,

Karen LaRoche, President

	<b>MEMBERSHIP FORM</b> Suggested donation amount: \$10.00 (Please make checks payable to "St. Mary CCW")
Name:	
Mailing Address	
E-MAIL:	
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