NEWSLETTER

DAYTON CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB

4TH QUARTER, 2026

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SAVE THESE DATES

Christmas Boutique and Luncheon
Presidential Banquet Center
4572 Presidential Way, Kettering
Saturday, December 5, 2026

St. Patrick's Game Party and Luncheon
Presidential Banquet Center
4572 Presidential Way, Kettering
Saturday, March 6, 2027

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN

Margene Robinson,
Chair of DCWC Christmas Luncheon & Boutique

The annual Dayton Catholic Women's Club Christmas Luncheon & Boutique is just a little over 6 weeks away. It will be held at the Presidential Banquet, 4548 Presidential Center in Kettering, Ohio. (See enclosed flyer).

The meal this year is Cranberry Apple Chicken with Cornbread Apple Craisin Dressing, Piped Mashed Potatoes, with Broccoli & Slivered Carrots. The vegetarian meal is Stuffed Shells with above sides. Strawberry Fields Salad, hot dinner rolls and assorted Mini bite desserts.

If you are interested in donating a raffle prize, e.g. basket, gift card etc. You can contact DCWC1923@gmail.com with your information. The large raffle consists of prizes worth $50.00 or more. The chance raffle prizes consist of prizes less than $50.00. If you donate a basket, please wrap it in cellophane & a bow. List on a tag with the basket, what is in the basket and the value. If you wish to put your name on the tag as the donor, please do so.

THIS IS OUR SIGNATURE EVENT OF THE YEAR. YOUR PARTICIPATION HELPS US PROVIDE SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

If you would like to volunteer to help with this event, email us & we will contact you. If you have any questions, contact people are on the flyer. I want to thank everyone in advance for making this event successful**.**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Lisa Scherbauer, President

Dear Members,

Happy Fall! I hope everyone is enjoying the changing seasons and the beautiful weather we've been blessed with over the past couple of months. I always look forward to the beauty of autumn and the gorgeous colors that come with the changing leaves.

I would like to extend a heartfelt thank-you to our Day of Recollection team for all their hard work in making our October 3rd event such a special day. We were blessed to welcome Archbishop Robert Casey, who celebrated Mass with us at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Huber Heights. We are grateful to the parish for its warm hospitality and for welcoming us into their community.

Following Mass, Archbishop Casey shared an inspiring presentation and discussion on the Synod and Synodality, helping us better understand how each of us is part of the Church's journey as it continues to grow and evolve. I feel truly blessed to have Archbishop Casey guiding us in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

After a wonderful lunch, we enjoyed an informative presentation by Judith Dunlap on the Holy Spirit in Our Lives. Judith shared meaningful insights and practical ways to recognize and feel the Holy Spirit at work in our everyday lives. It was a beautiful way to conclude our day together.

Thank you to everyone who generously donated to Crayons to Classrooms during the event. Your contributions are greatly appreciated and will help support teachers and students throughout Miami Valley.

Looking Ahead: Christmas Boutique and Luncheon

Our biggest fundraiser of the year is just around the corner! Please mark your calendars Saturday, December 5th, at the Presidential Banquet Center. We broke attendance records last year, and we would love to make this year even bigger!

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Once again, we are offering a special incentive for anyone who organizes a table of eight for the luncheon. Start inviting your friends and family now, and help us make this our most successful event yet! Please see the enclosed flyer for all the details. You can also find the information on our website to share with family and friends.

Finally, a reminder that all members are welcome at our monthly meetings, held on the second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Witzman Center at Ascension Church. Keep an eye out for our email and Facebook reminders. If we don't have your current email address, please send it to dcwc1923@gmail.com so you can stay informed about upcoming meetings and events.

Thank you for your continued support of the Dayton Catholic Women's Club and our mission to serve others throughout our community. I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events!

Your Sister in Christ, *Lisa* ❤️

MEMORIALS & MEMBERSHIP

Lisa Schulte, Director of Membership

I'm looking forward to being the new Director of Membership. I would like to thank Sandy Reed for her help during the transition. If you have any changes to your information or questions about your membership, please email me at DCWC1923@gmail.com or call/text at 937-344-2401.

Deceased Members

The following DCWC members have passed away since the last newsletter.



Cindy Corcoran	June 15, 2026
Lyn Cooper	September 16, 2026

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord; may they rest in peace. Amen. (Please note in your membership books and say a prayer for our deceased members as you do so.)

If you know of any deceased member who has not been mentioned in the newsletter, please email DCWC1923@gmail.com or call/text Lisa Schulte (937-344-3401) or Gail Brockman (937-545-1427). Thank you for helping us remember our lost members.

New Members

Cindy Ambrose	Sarah Rosenbaum
Paula Bauer	Deborah Shirley
Pamela Dorsten	Hannah Thomas
Kris Johnson	Patty Ward
Jennifer Meyer	

New and Life Members

Marie Apicella	Vivien Kirchner

New Life Member

Patricia Pecqueux

Rejoined Member

Lois Keil

Dues

If the year above your name on the mailing label is 2025, you still owe 2026. To continue your membership, the 2026 dues need to be paid by December 31, 2026. If you haven't renewed your membership yet, yearly dues are $25 and a lifetime membership is $175. If you plan to renew your membership at the Christmas Luncheon, please pay by check or exact change. A volunteer contribution to the Madonna Plan is $1.

Membership dues are a vital source of funding that allows us to continue our charitable mission. We appreciate your continued support and commitment to the Dayton Catholic Women's Club.

CHRISTMAS RESERVATIONS PAID THROUGH ZELLE

by Carol Graham, Treasurer

As I have announced in previous newsletters, we now accept Zelle payments for dues, reservations, raffle sales and donations if your bank offers this as a payment option.

To transfer money to Dayton Catholic Women's Club, log into your bank account and use Zelle to transfer funds to our email address at DCWC1923@gmail.com. If you're planning to pay by Zelle for your Christmas reservations, there will be no need to send in your payment stub, but I do ask that you please note in comments: Your name (as sometimes, it gives your husband's name that's on the account), your phone # and a breakdown of what your payment is for.

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Example: Name_____Phone # _____
$40 lunch, $25 raffle tickets, $25 donation, $25 dues, $1 Madonna Plan, $45 for a guest lunch, etc. Your phone number is most important, as I have no way of contacting you if I have any questions. I will get an email through DCWC and will look for your payment and apply accordingly. You should also look at your bank account to make sure your transfer went through.

I hope this is the 1st step to greater possibilities of our future. This doesn't mean you have to make payments or donations this way, as we are still happy to accept cash or check. If you have any questions regarding this new endeavor, or your bank doesn't use Zelle, contact me at 937-475-5258.

DCWC BOARD MEETING UPDATES

Meetings are being held at 6:00 pm in the Witzman Center (basement) at Ascension Church, 2025 Woodman Dr., Kettering. All members are welcome! The following is enclosed with this newsletter mailing:

- Christmas Boutique and Luncheon, Dec. 5 - event details and raffle tickets

Upcoming Board Meetings for 2026-2027

- Monday, November 9,2026
- Monday, December 14,2026
- Monday, January 11,2027
    - Speaker - Pink Ribbon Good (support organization for patients dealing with Breast & Gynecological cancers)
- Monday, February 8,2027
- Monday, March 8,2027
- Monday, April 12,2027
- Monday, May 10,2027

Opportunities to stay informed and become involved:

- Attend a board meeting and learn more about DCWC's mission and what DCWC does to plan events. All members are welcome at the monthly board meetings.
- Volunteer to help with an event or participate in a committee. It's an easy way to meet new friends, help others, and enjoy meaningful activities.
- Opportunities to volunteer will be provided in the newsletter and on the DCWC website. For more information on volunteering call Lisa Scherbauer at 937-657-1029
- Follow DCWC on Facebook. Search Dayton Catholic Women's Club and you'll find our page and up-to-date information about our activities and events.
- Please feel free to contact the DCWC at our new email, DCWC1923@gmail.com. We welcome your questions, ideas and feedback.

WE NEED YOUR VOTE! - Nov 9, 2026
AMENDMENTS TO OUR CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS

By Carol Graham & Julianne McCain

The Board Members of DCWC have approved an amendment to the Constitution Committee to Article VII, Sec. 9 of the constitution on Sept 14, 2026, and now it needs final approval by the general membership as stated in Article VII, Sec 9 of the Constitution, found on page 64 of your 2025-26 membership book. According to Article XIII regarding amendments, it is necessary that we ask the general members to attend a meeting to vote to approve this amendment.

At our general meeting on November 9, 2026, we will be voting to approve this amendment. We look forward to seeing you at this meeting to vote on its final approval. The amendment is adding a new Section 9 to Article VII of the current constitution. The new amendment will be stated as:

Sec. 9. (Issued 11/9/26) The Immediate Past President shall serve as an advisor to the newly elected President for the entirety of her term.

We hope you realize the importance of this meeting and join us to exercise your privilege to vote. If you have any questions or comments before the meeting, please feel free to contact Carol Graham at 937-475-5258. Thank You.

Day of Recollection 2026 Reflection

by Sandy Reed, Chair

October 3, 2026, started as a bright sunny day! And what a great day it was to celebrate our Day of Recollection! We began with Mass at St. Peter Church with celebrant Archbishop Robert Casey, co-celebrant Fr. Kyle Schnippel, pastor of St. Gabriel Family Parishes, and assisted by Deacon

Jack Rivetti. Our musician was Christian Cosas and our cantor was Jane Gorman, who once again sang a beautiful "Ave Maria" for us.

After Mass, we convened downstairs in Fehrenbach Hall for a light breakfast snack. President Lisa Scherbauer welcomed everyone and then turned the proceedings over to Sandy Reed, the Day of Recollection chair, to introduce our morning speaker, Archbishop Casey. The Archbishop's topic was Synodality. He first explained what that meant. He gave several examples of how people were participating in Synods around the Archdiocese. My personal favorite one is how we are all God's children no matter what faith or culture we practice, and we should all work together for the good of all. After his speech, the Archbishop answered questions. Then he said the blessing for lunch. As we broke for lunch, several ladies lined up to personally talk with the Archbishop, and he made time for each one.

Lunch of chicken salad, croissants, sweet potato salad and seven-layer salad was prepared by Chef Greg Fitzgerald from St. Leonard's Station House. Board members Sue
Koverman and Judith Dunlap delivered the food to our event. Fruit trays and a cookie tray from Sam's Club were added as well

During lunch Myka Chavez-EnYart from Crayons to Classrooms thanked us for all the supplies and money members donated to their "Stuff the Bus Campaign". She also shared with us all the good work they do.

After lunch, Sandy introduced our Spiritual Advisor, Judith Dunlap, who spoke about the Holy Spirit. She personalized her experience with the Holy Spirit by sharing her "Chocolate Chip Cookie" story. When Judith was finished, we drew names for the door prizes, that were provided by the St. Peter gift shop, St. Mark bookstore, Lisa Scherbauer and Carol Graham. The day ended with a closing prayer given by Judith Dunlap.

As always, it takes a team to put on our events. My first great big thanks goes to Carol
Graham, who I consider my right-hand and co-chair. Carol was the one who prepared the flyer and program, she went shopping with me and prepared the fruit trays. Next, I want to thank Marguerite Krein and Diana Koogler for all their help setting up the food and the clean-up in the kitchen afterwards. Thanks to Sue Koverman who coordinated our charity for the event and to having their representative come and speak. Thanks to all who helped with Mass, the greeters, Margene Robinson and Theresa Warych, the reading and the Psalms, Carol Graham, Offertory gifts Judith Dunlap and Cheryl Robinson, and Eucharistic minister Lisa Scherbauer.

Thanks to all who helped clean up after the program. Thanks to Cheryl Robinson for the tech support and for taking care of registration with Jean Henderson, and to Lisa Schulte and Mary Rogers for helping with the membership table. Big thanks to the ladies from St. Peter Parish; Donna Weed, Nancy Calvelage, and Janet Lewis who opened the gift shop for us. Thanks to Fr. Schnippel for allowing us to use St. Peter and to change the Saturday Mass time to accommodate us. Most importantly, thanks to Archbishop Casey for agreeing to speak to us and his Executive Assistant Linda Heidi who guided me through the process of communicating with Archbishop Casey. And thanks to all who attended to make this a great day!

THANKSGIVING

Judith Dunlap, Spiritual Advisor

To be grateful for the good things that happened in our lives is easy, but to be grateful for all of our lives – the good as well as the bad, the moments of joy as well as the moments of sorrow, the successes, as well as the failures, rewards, as well as the rejections – that requires hard, spiritual work. Still, we are only truly grateful people when we can say thank you to all that has brought us to the present moment.

As long as we keep dividing our lives between events and people we would like to remember, and those we would rather forget, we cannot claim the fullness of our being as a gift of God to be grateful for. Let's not be afraid to look at everything that has brought us to where we are now and trust that we are always in the guiding hands of a loving God.
Henri Nouwen, Bread For The Journey, adapted



Our Mission:

To enrich the faith lives of
Catholic women of the Greater Miami Valley
through service to women, children & families.