

Nominees for Nominating Committee



Jackie Brandon: Portland, OR, Diocese of Portland, Province of Portland

--I am seeking nomination for the Nominating Committee. I always like to look at our mission statement, "to support, empower and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership and service," before considering yes to any job. I think any committee must keep that mission in mind. Besides being qualified for a position, it is also about getting to know so many more new catholic women from all over the nation. It is important to have a clear and open mind when going over all application forms. It is also Important to go out and encourage members to apply for positions. Look for new members and young members and encourage them to become more active. I keep brochures and information on hand for new members and others of interest. My intent is to continue to work with other members, learn from them and see Christ in them. It is a great blessing for me.



Stacy Cuzick: Rockwall, TX, Diocese of Dallas, Province of San Antonio

--I am very passionate about the mission of the National Council of Catholic Women and would love to continue serving my sisters in Council. I have been a member of the Dallas Deanery CCW since 2007 and the Dallas Diocesan CCW since 2010. I worked with the Leadership and By-Laws Committees for the Province of San Antonio before becoming the Province Director and serving on the Resolutions Committee. I served as the Diocesan President for two terms, First Vice President, Treasurer for three non-consecutive terms, and the Delegate-at-Large; I served as the Deanery President, 1st and 2nd Vice President, and Secretary for three terms; and served as Treasurer and President of Our Lady of the Lake CCW in Rockwall. I have also lectured and ushered at various parishes and played the organ for Mass. While Diocesan President, Dallas hosted the successful 97th NCCW Convention!

I am very eager to continue serving the women of Dallas, the province, and the National Council of Catholic Women on the Nominating Committee for NCCW.



Marlene Grover: Surfside Beach, South Carolina, Diocese of Charleston, Province of Atlanta

--It is an honor to be the Director of the Province of Atlanta, which includes North/South Carolina and Georgia. I am writing to express interest in joining the NCCW Nominating Committee. My experience as POA Director, Resolutions Co-Chair, SCCW President, and Leadership Commission has taught me the NCCW mission. I served on the Optimist Board, BNI Secretary/Treasurer, Catholic Charities fundraising and Parish Council Secretary for 9 years. I worked with Century 21, Thornton Oil Corporation, LWV, Assistant to DRE, and was offered Microsoft Office/leadership opportunities. NCCW has sparked a flame and inspired me. Please consider me as a candidate for the NCCW Nominating Committee. Thank you!



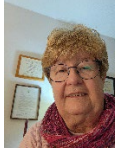
Shelly Holt: Mapleton, MN, Diocese of Winona-Rochester, Province of St. Paul/Minneapolis

--I am excited for the possibility to serve the National Council of Catholic Women Nominating Committee. I believe I am a great candidate due to my love of Jesus and the Catholic Church, and my ongoing desire to grow deeper in faith and wider in service. Since my first NCCW Convention in 1997 and being involved at all levels, I have grown deeper in love with the mission and members of NCCW. I would welcome serving on the committee to choose great leader candidates who will also continue the mission of NCCW. I believe my experience working with many people in church, civic, and my various employment opportunities adds to my qualifications.



Patricia Johnson: Temple, TX, Diocese of Austin, TX, Province of Galveston/Houston

--I am seeking being a member of the Nominating Committee to continue to serve the Catholic Church and my fellow Catholics in the work of the Church. I wish to bring the tools God has given me with my broad experience to use in this capacity to give Him honor and gratitude for his blessings. I feel this is an important position in the life of NCCW and will do the best of my ability to perform the duties assigned to this position.



Geri Kogut: Middletown, CT, Diocese of Hartford, Province of Hartford

--I am submitting my name to be considered as a member of the Nominating Committee. I have been a member of the NCCW for over 20 years serving as Secretary, Vice President for my CCW, President of our Archdiocese and a Province Director. Presently I am the Service Commission Chair (2023-25). I have been honored to work with so many dedicated, faith-filled, creative women across our nation for the Mission of NCCW. I feel the Nominating Committee has a vital role encouraging our members to step forward and share their many gifts and talents in the next leadership roles for NCCW. They are our future. I ask for your vote to continue service in such an important way.



Rhonda Kollman: Villa Park, IL, Diocese of Joliet, Province of Chicago

--I am extremely dedicated to the Council of Catholic Woman in its many rings. It has been my honor to serve since I was a young mother. CCW has helped me grow personally and spiritually. I have gained a plethora amount of friendships. I would love this opportunity to mentor and be an example to all the woman of the NCCW. I have a genuine desire to help people, the ability to relate to all kinds of people, in all circumstances, with compassion and sensitivity towards leadership skills. I have a can-do attitude; I feel the Holy Spirit in my heart whenever a call to duty. I would feel privileged, proud and humbled to serve in this capacity.



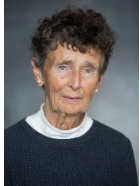
Alycia Laureti: Middletown, PA, Diocese of Harrisburg, Province of Philadelphia

--I wish to express my intent to run for the Nominating Committee of the National Council of Catholic Women.

My leadership experience at the parish, deanery, diocesan and province levels, as well as technical and interpersonal skills learned in my work have equipped me with a unique

perspective on solutions to our challenges. I am dedicated to fostering collaboration, inclusiveness, and respect.

The great “yes” our Blessed Mother has taught me is with faith, we can do amazing things; and one was leading through the challenges of Covid. With this same passion and commitment, I believe I can lead our national organization.



Mickey Nickelson: St. Paul, MN, Diocese of St. Paul/Minneapolis, Province St. Paul/Minneapolis

--The Council of Catholic Women at all levels has given me opportunities to share the “gifts” God has given me. Many women who attended the National Conventions of NCCW have increased my friendships with women beyond my local parish. They called on me to leadership roles most recently as a member of the Service Commission and as Parliamentarian for the Associates. Women I have met have been my mentors, prayer partners and friends. The Council of Catholic Women has provided opportunities to grow spiritually and have been there to support me. As a member of the Nominating Committee, I would hope to help identify women who are willing to look beyond their local involvement in CCW and see what God has in store for them.



Mary Woltmann: Thonotosassa, FL, Diocese of St. Petersburg, Province of Miami

--“Since joining Council in 1993 my focus has been on furthering Spirituality, Leadership and Service within my parish and this organization. Through attending 20 National Council Conventions the many stories and experiences shared between women from around America have allowed me to see the NCCW Mission Statement in action.

Being active on all diocesan levels of Council including SPDCCW President and six years on the FCCW Board has sharpened my ability to recognize intelligent, dedicated and inspiring Officers. It would be an honor to promote council sisters to serve on the Board since ***we are the voice of catholic women!***”