

BYLAWS OF CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC WOMEN

Article I NAME

This organization will be known as Corpus Christi Catholic Women of Corpus Christi Catholic Church, located in Lexington, South Carolina, in the Diocese of Charleston. For local purposes, the organization shall be known as CCCW.

Article II OBJECTIVE

Section 1. To work with the governing body of Corpus Christi Catholic Church, the National Council of Catholic Women (NCCW), the South Carolina Council of Catholic Women (SCCCW), the Columbia Deanery of the SCCCW, and the Diocese of Charleston.

Section 2. To serve as a medium through which Catholic women speak and act as one unit to further Catholic spiritual and material undertakings.

Section 3. To work with existing church organizations and to initiate projects for the betterment of the community.

Section 4. To render assistance, comfort, and moral support to parishioners in times of distress and to celebrate with them in times of joy.

Section 5. To establish a means for all Catholic and non-Catholic women to work together towards Christian unity.

Section 6. To direct all organizational services and activities toward the theme and commissions of the National Council of Catholic Women.

Article III MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. All Catholic and non-Catholic women of the parish 18 years old or older are eligible for membership.

Section 2. Active members shall be those individuals who attend meetings and participate in organizational activities.

Section 3. Patron membership shall be open to individuals financially supporting the organization and its purpose but unable to attend meetings.

Article IV
ORGANIZATIONAL

Section 1. The fiscal year shall be January 1 through December 31.

Section 2. The CCCW shall be nonprofit.

Section 3. Meetings shall be held in the Church Hall on the second Monday night of each month, August through May, with a social beginning at 6:30p.m.; business at 7:00 p.m. A meeting time or place may be changed upon notification of membership.

Article V
OFFICERS AND DUTIES

Section 1. President shall conduct all meetings, appoint a parliamentarian, appoint committees, appoint a nominating committee in August, place announcements in the Church bulletin, and assign or coordinate all programs and activities.

Section 2. The Vice President shall assume the duties of the President in her absence and oversee the Parish Outreach program.

Section 3. The Secretary shall keep records of meetings and have minutes available to the membership.

Section 4. The Treasurer shall collect and disperse all funds, report quarterly finances to the membership and the Corpus Christi Catholic Finance Council, maintain Ministry finance records in accordance with the Diocese of Charleston's Finance policies and procedures, and create and present the proposed annual budget in January.

Section 5. The Executive Committee shall consist of the current officers, past President and Parliamentarian and shall meet at the discretion of the President or Vice President.

Section 6. Officers shall be elected in October and attend Board meetings until they assume the responsibilities of their one-year term beginning in January. An officer shall not serve more than two terms consecutively in the same position. Should an office become vacant, (other than President) the President shall appoint someone to fill the vacancy until the next election.

Section 7. Officers shall review the ByLaws for possible amendments annually the first quarter of each calendar year and present proposed revisions/deletions/additions to the membership for approval no later than the April meeting.

**Article VI
COMMITTEES**

Section 1. As an affiliate member of the SCCCW and the Columbia Deanery of the SCCCW, the CCCW will strive to follow the commission structure of the NCCW, the SCCCW, and the Columbia Deanery of the SCCCW by establishing the following commissions:

Spirituality - Church, Legislation

Leadership

Service – Family, Community, International

**Article VII
QUORUM**

Section 1. In the event there is an item to be voted upon, ten members present shall constitute a quorum.

Section 2. A majority vote of members present shall be required in order to adopt a motion.

Section 3. The ByLaws may be amended at any regular meeting.

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