



ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE MILITARY SERVICES, USA
The Most Reverend Timothy P. Broglio

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Dear Brothers in Christ,

The recent MCCW worldwide meeting was held in Washington, DC and was a very successful event. Over two hundred women participated and the speakers and sessions were profitable for all. Father Paul Hurley, US Army Chief of Chaplains, addressed the women during the closing meal. His presence was appreciated by all.

I am writing to you now, because I know that in many instances you have to indicate your future designated offerings for the coming year in these days. In addition to your constant generosity to the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA, I would like to highlight two causes for eventual designated offerings.

The first would be the MCCW Worldwide to fund their initiatives, meetings, and enrichment sessions. As you know, the MCCW Worldwide is established as a recognized 501 c 3 and has benefitted our Catholic women in many ways.

Secondly, on the weekend of 13-14 May 2017 all of the parishes in the United States will take up a second collection to support the work of the Trinity Dome at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Patroness of our Country. This dome will complete the decoration of the basilica.

The church is dear to this Archdiocese because it has hosted AMS episcopal, sacerdotal, and diaconal ordinations, the annual Chrism Mass, Memorial Mass, Capodanno Mass, and much more. The welcome there is always warm.

I would hope that you will be able to make designated offerings for both the MCCW worldwide and the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. More details will be forthcoming, but it is my hope that an early invitation will facilitate the inclusion of these two projects in your planning.

Grateful for all that you do and with every good wish, I remain

Fraternally in the Risen Lord,

(The Most Reverend) Timothy P. Broglio
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