

Ladies-

I am e-mailing you today to share why I am part of the PCCW leadership. Before I considered becoming co-president, I was not a very active member of our ladies organization. I thought that I was too busy and would lose family time. About 6 months before Joan Leland approached me to consider a leadership role, I participated in our fall pie bake and sale. I was 7 months pregnant at the time, so I figured I'd come down for about an hour, and probably be too tired to stay. I stayed for 6 hours, and even though I was physically exhausted, it was spiritually invigorating. I felt an incredible sense of belonging. Among other wonderful moments, the ladies that were working on the crusts took me under their wing and patiently showed me tricks of the trade. I not only learned a lot about pie baking that day, I also learned what an incredible group of women we are blessed with at our parish.

When Joan came to me shortly after Christmas, I was still worried about the time commitment. With a brand new baby, a full-time job, a husband in college and a son that just started kindergarten and was learning to be a brother, I didn't think I'd be able to do it. Joan reassured me that it wouldn't be too time consuming. She was right, and I am incredibly grateful that I said yes. For a couple hours of work a month, I am blessed with stronger relationships with the women in our parish. I feel an incredible sense of belonging, and I enjoy the "girl" time once a month. I cannot believe that I have already been doing this for a year.

I pray that all of the ladies of our parish will consider becoming an officer. There are so many different and beautiful women in our parish. Whether you've held a position before or not, you will be welcomed with open arms and minds. The more of us that participate, the better we will become.

I will miss Michelle and Judy as officers, but I know they will still be there to help where needed. I look forward to welcoming our next officers with Annette.

May the Lord bless you,

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