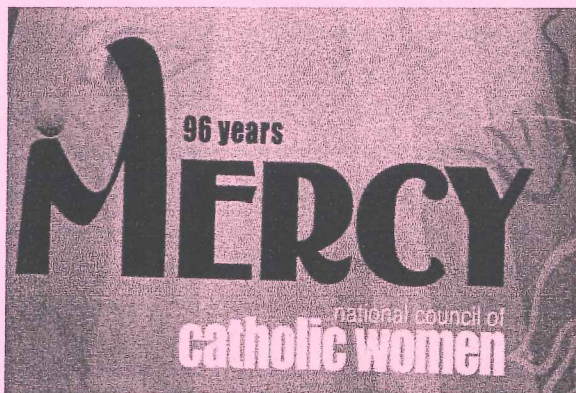


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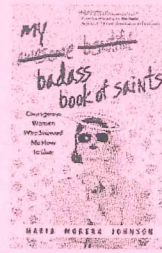
October 8, 2016  
Judy Conner, Leadership Chair



Thank you for the privilege of attending the  
National Council of Catholic Women Convention in  
September!

A few takeaways: It is always awesome to connect  
and network with Catholic women all over the  
country!! The Masses are always a blessing with  
our council women singing beautifully and all the  
priests concelebrating! We also had opportunities  
for silent prayer in the Meditation room,  
reconciliation, and great speakers who informed us  
of pertinent news in the area of leadership,  
spirituality and service.

I think my favorite speaker was Maria Morera



Johnson. Her topic was  
"Befriending the Saints: An  
Exercise in Mercy." She shared  
her journey of faith and how the  
saints walked with her and how  
she embraced God's mercy  
herself. She wrote the book "My Badass Book of  
Saints", among others. She was truly inspiring!

The new NCCW logo was unveiled at the  
convention:



The Leadership Commission Session led by Linda  
Marie Richardson Kelly, NCCW Leadership  
Commission Chair focused on several questions  
that are often heard from non-members and  
unaffiliated groups and we often are not ready to  
answer them.

Who is NCCW? What will NCCW do for me? Who  
can be members of NCCW? Why should we be  
members? Do members of NCCW take away from  
the works we do in our parishes?

How you answer these questions are very  
important not only to the persons asking but also  
to this organization.

If you don't know the answers to these questions,  
please contact me and I'd be happy to help you. Or  
go to the [ldccw.org](http://ldccw.org) website where you will find the  
answer to all of these questions and more in the  
pamphlet called: An introduction to NCCW: The  
National Council of Catholic Women. It includes  
the history, what we are involved in, how we are  
organized, how we need each other, how to start a  
women's group in your parish and how to join.  
Please check it out!! It's a great resource.