

December 2011

Dear Parish CCW President,

Time has come to begin the process for selecting the 2012 BISHOP BLANCHETTE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS. We will again follow the directives of the Joliet Diocesan Secretariat and utilize the services of FACTS, an independent grant and aid assessment service, to evaluate the financial needs of the applicants. Only one nominee per parish CCW can be considered for a JDCCW Scholarship.

FACTS applications are available through the JDCCW Office 1.815.834.4080. If the candidate's family has applied through FACTS for other awards, they are still eligible for consideration for the JDCCW Bishop Blanchette Scholarship. Only *one* FACTS application needs to be completed by the family and sent with the **\$25** fee to FACTS. Any family who has already submitted a FACTS application for the upcoming year can become eligible for the BBSF award by calling FACTS at 1.800.390.4690 and ask to be added to the Joliet Diocesan Council of Catholic Women awards. **DO NOT SEND THE FACTS APPLICATION TO JDCCW.**

The Monitoring Committee will not have access to any detailed financial information provided to FACTS. JDCCW will receive a ranking of the financial needs of the applicants from FACTS.

In addition to the FACTS application, there are JDCCW forms that need to be completed by the family. The JDCCW parish president must then certify that this is the nominee from that parish. It is the responsibility of the parish president to see that all required information is completed and that the application arrives in the JDCCW office by the due date of **March 20, 2012.** **INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

The time frame and due dates for the 2011 Bishop Blanchette Scholarship applications are as follows:

**March 20th** Application due to FACTS. Do not send FACTS information to JDCCW.  
JDCCW BBSF application due in CCW office

**May 17<sup>th</sup>** 7:00 p.m. Scholarship Awards Mass at St. Charles Pastoral Center Chapel.  
Reception to follow Mass.

*Please review the enclosed INSTRUCTION SHEET*

In The Name of Our Lady of Good Counsel,  
BBSF Monitoring Committee  
Carlotta Lawton, Chairman

Enclosure