

# The Kingston Diocesan Council of The Catholic Women's League of Canada

### Organization

#### Care for our Common Home

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To: Parish Council Organization Chairs

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**CC:** Diocesan Executive, Provincial Organization Chair

### By patient endurance you will gain life.

(Lk 21:19)

### **Annual Report Forms**

Thank you to those councils who have completed their online annual report. Across Kingston we had 34 councils complete their report out of 44, a 77% participation, well done Ladies. Total participation across Ontario was 82%.

Please remember to send me two of your council high lights for 2018 for our annual report book, please send these no later than March 29, 2019. These high lights are your way of sharing your good works with each other, one council's ideas may spark another council to try something new. You may send your highlights electronically to cwlnancyricher@gmail.com.

## **Membership**

Membership in The League is a gift. A gift to be shared with every woman you know. Should we not be excited to share the stories of all the good work being done across the province to increase awareness of the issues related to those without a home and all the good works of the tens of thousands of donated items for shelters and foodbanks?

Make an extra effort this year to reach out to those who did not renew last year. We all agree that making personal contact is by far the most effective way to bring members back.

# **Leadership Development**

Please remember to encourage women to apply for the Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation's program at St. Paul's University in Ottawa (more information can be found on their website cwlfcanada.ca)

## **League Resource Material**

As our organization steps boldly into the Implementation Phase of the Strategic Plan we must rely on accurate information so that confusion does not reign.

In her third communique, National Organization chairperson, Fran Lucas, states "There is a lot of member education that can take place at this time. Pages 10 and 11 from The

Catholic Women's League of Canada Plans Strategically 2018-2022 booklet are the best starting point. **Ensure members know the new mission statement, the three core values, the core purpose and the envisioned future.** Review Goal 1 and Goal 4 first year strategies to ensure members are familiar with the initial strategies to be worked."

The new **Mission Statement** is: The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls its members to grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service.

The three **core values** are: Faith – following Catholic teachings; Service – local, national and international; Social Justice – actively involved in society.

The **core purpose** is: uniting Catholic women to grow in faith, and to promote social justice through service to the church, Canada and the world.

Our **envisioned future** states: The Catholic Women's League of Canada is an inclusive and engaged community of Catholic women inspired by faith. It is a vital participant in the church. It is a valued partner for social justice. It is a respected advocate at all government levels. It is connected to the world.

May our Lady of Good Counsel Bless you!

Respectfully submitted.