

Kingston Diocesan Council of The Catholic Women's League of Canada Past President/Historian

One Heart, One Voice, One Mission

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To: Parish Council Past Presidents **From:** Kathy Huffman, Past Diocesan President **CC:** Provincial Past President

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"Ask the Lord to bless your plans, and you will be successful in carrying them out".

Proverbs 16.3

Greetings Past Presidents/Historians,

A special greeting is extended to the **<u>new past presidents</u>** following your parish council elections.

As past presidents we serve in a consultative capacity. Honorary Life Member, Velma Harasen, encouraged every past president to be a mentor, a supporter, a gentle advisor, a sister and a friend. Our actions will then reflect the national theme *One Heart, One Voice, One Mission*. Your joy at being part of the League can influence the future of your parish council.

For those that are now new past presidents please read the last 3 directives which you would have received from your retiring past president. You should also have received the following resources:

Constitution and Bylaws 2013 National Manual of Policy and Procedure 2013 National Executive Handbook Handbook for Past Presidents

Enclosed please find Archives Guidelines for League History and Guidelines for Reporting. We are responsible for Archives and History. The passing on of history gives members a sense of pride and importance in belonging to the League. The parish council archives are to be a place where members can go and remember those women who stepped into the issues of their time and created life long friends. Records are the memory of the organization.

Have fun at your meetings by questioning members on your own council history; provide a quiz or "did you know". A prize would add to the excitement.

Diocesan Council Elections

You, as a past president are eligible to stand for election to the diocesan council for the 2015-2017 term. We encourage you to prayerfully discern where you are called to be. We need women with varied gifts and talents to lead the Kingston Diocesan Council.

"We need to bless the present, speak well of others as we look for what builds up and unites; we need to talk about the beautiful things we share and go beyond different perspectives for the common good". Pope Francis

Respectfully submitted Kathy Huffman