

Spiritual Development Annual Survey - 2019

ID. Council Code (e.g. HY-071)
name

Introduction

Thank you for participating in the annual report survey. As spiritual development standing committee chairperson, your report adds value to our diocesan, provincial and national perspective.

The form is very comprehensive and broken into each sub-heading. Please do not feel daunted by the length of this report. There are many options, but we understand that councils will focus on just a few of the priorities listed. It is perfectly okay to leave questions unanswered if your council has not pursued a certain topic.

You will see questions to "skip" if you do not have a standing committee chairperson for the position. The intent of this question is to determine what personal growth you had. We absolutely want to hear if your council was still able to make progress related to that question. You can identify the work accomplished by the council in question near the end of the survey where it asks to share any other activities of this position not yet reported.

Thank you for completing this survey. It will help us to know better what your council is doing and interests your members.

Shari Guinta, National Chairperson of Spiritual Development

About You

Q1 Parish Council Name:

Q2 Parish Council Registered Town:

Q3 Parish Council ID number:

Q4 Reporting to:

Q5 What is your name?

Q6 Is this position filled or vacant?

Filled

Vacant

Q7 If filled, were you elected as a standing committee chairperson, or were you invited by appointment to fill a vacancy?

Elected

Appointed

Leadership Profile

As the implementation committee begins its research into leadership in the League, your input into the profile of leadership is important. We invite you to answer the following three questions. (Note: Responses are voluntary.)

Q8 How long have you been a member?

Less than 5 years

6-10 years

11-15 years

16-20 years

21-25 years

more than 25 years

Q9 Have you held this position previously?

yes

no

Q10 What is your age?

under 18

18-24

25-34

35-44

45-54

55-64

65-74

75-84

85+

Spiritual Growth of Members

The spiritual dimension sets the League apart from all other women's organizations.

Q11 Has your council studied the theme *Care for Our Common Home* and, if so, in what ways?

held a retreat

hosted a workshop

invited a guest speaker

prepared prayer services

reflected on the theme at meetings

studied *Laudato Si'*

We haven't studied the theme.

Q12 Does your council spend one third of its time on the spiritual aspect of membership?

yes

no

Q13 What type of liturgies and programs have you organized for your council this year?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> adoration of the blessed sacrament | <input type="checkbox"/> pilgrimages |
| <input type="checkbox"/> audio/musical media events | <input type="checkbox"/> reciting the League prayer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> candlelight vigils | <input type="checkbox"/> retreats |
| <input type="checkbox"/> crowning of Mary | <input type="checkbox"/> scripture reflections |
| <input type="checkbox"/> deceased member services/funeral honour guard | <input type="checkbox"/> seasonal prayers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> divine mercy | <input type="checkbox"/> stations of the cross |
| <input type="checkbox"/> intercessions | <input type="checkbox"/> rosary/living rosary |
| <input type="checkbox"/> litanies | <input type="checkbox"/> visual displays |
| <input type="checkbox"/> masses | <input type="checkbox"/> World Day of Prayer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> novenas | <input type="checkbox"/> other |

If you checked "other", please describe these other programs in a few words.

Q14 Have you used any resources indicated in various communiques for spiritual development chairpersons? Please indicate if you used any of these in your own planning.

	yes	no
<i>Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World</i> bible study	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<i>Messy and Foolish: How to Make a Mess, Be a Fool and Evangelize the World</i> book	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<i>Living with Christ</i> missal	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
lectio divina	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Formed website	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Click to Pray app	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3 Minute Retreat app	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
33 Days to Morning Glory retreat	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Vatican website	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Word on Fire with Bishop Barron	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q15 Did you use any of the following other resources when developing your liturgies and spiritual programs?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Alpha course | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Prayers and Workshops for Women of Peace and Hope</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canadian Messenger of the Sacred Heart newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Rediscovering Catholicism: A Spiritual Guide to Living with Passion and Purpose</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Catholic Digest website | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Shorter Christian Prayer</i> book |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>CWL Ceremonies Booklet</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>St. Anthony Messenger</i> magazine |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>CWL Day of Peace & Hope Activities Kit</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>The Word Among Us</i> magazine |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>CWL Prays Booklet</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Marian Helper</i> magazine | <input type="checkbox"/> I did not use any other resources. |

If you checked "other", what other resources have you used? Please describe in a few words.

Q16 For your own personal growth, have you enrolled in any lay formation programs or retreats?

- yes no

Q17 What was the name of the program?

Q18 How did your council celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel in April 26th?

- luncheon
- mass
- retreat

- watched the CWL televised mass
- We didn't celebrate it this year.

Q19 Does a spiritual advisor attend council meetings?

- always
- most of the time
- sometimes
- never

Q20 Are members able to attend mass either before or after a council meeting?

- yes
- no

Study of Catholic Teachings

Faith is a way of life which is characterized by a constant and ongoing conversion and renewal of mind and heart. Members must constantly be in the process of spiritual growth.

Q21 Has your council formed groups or encouraged members to enroll in groups that study and share information from any of the following? If no, go straight to the next question.

- Catechism of the Catholic Church
- website of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops
- lay formation programs
- vatican website

Role of Women in the Church

Women are called to take an active and responsible leadership role in the church's life and mission by actively participating in the League, church and community. See the article "The Genius of Women" in the Winter 2019 edition of *The Canadian League*.

Q22 How have you shared the article "The Genius of Woman" with members?

- Prepared a reflection on the joy of service for your council
- Read the article at a general meeting
- Shared the article in your council newsletter
- none of the above

Q23 In the past year, has your council undertaken any studies of women in scripture?

- yes
- no

Q24 Do you promote an awareness of women's place in church and society found in scripture?

- yes
- no

Q25 Members are called on to work toward the kind of personal development and structural evolution which would enable the church to reflect more fully the partnership of women and men in Christ's mission. In response, what leadership roles have your members undertaken in the church?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> canon lawyers | <input type="checkbox"/> parish pastoral council |
| <input type="checkbox"/> chancellors/vice chancellors | <input type="checkbox"/> pastoral associates |
| <input type="checkbox"/> diocesan council/committees | <input type="checkbox"/> regional pastoral council |
| <input type="checkbox"/> parish committee chairpersons | <input type="checkbox"/> trustee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> parish finance committee | <input type="checkbox"/> none of the above |

Q26 Have you joined your parish liturgy committee?

- yes There is no liturgy committee in the parish.
 no

Evangelization and Mission Assistance

Members are called to lead all people to encounter Christ. The League's mission will remain incomplete until we can say we have shared not only our material goods with others, but more importantly, our gift of faith.

Q27 Did your council participate with the Knights of Columbus in the Keep Christ in Christmas campaign?

- yes no There is no Knights of Columbus in our parish.

Q28 The Catholic Women's League of Canada officially supports Catholic Missions In Canada as its primary outreach within the country. Does your council have a subscription to its magazine?

- yes no

Q29 What other missions in Canada, if any, have been supported by your council and how? [Please note missions in developing countries are reported under community life.]

	goods	monetary	time
Esk-Omi missions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Kee-Pas missions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
St. Francis Xavier mission	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q30 In the past year, has your council contacted Catholic Missions in Canada or any other Canadian missions to offer assistance, and how?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> yes, with monetary needs | <input type="checkbox"/> yes, with school supplies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> yes, with food | <input type="checkbox"/> yes, other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> yes, with clothing | <input type="checkbox"/> no |

Lay Ministries

The strength of the ministry of the League can be measured in proportion to the depth of members' spirituality.

Q31 Please list the lay ministries you have personally participated in during the year.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> catechist | <input type="checkbox"/> hospitality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> choir/music | <input type="checkbox"/> lector |
| <input type="checkbox"/> cleaning | <input type="checkbox"/> sacristan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> decorating | <input type="checkbox"/> usher |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eucharistic minister | <input type="checkbox"/> I am unable to participate. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> facilitator | <input type="checkbox"/> I choose not to participate. |

Q32 Please list the lay ministries your council members have participated in during the year.

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|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> catechist | <input type="checkbox"/> facilitator |
| <input type="checkbox"/> choir/music | <input type="checkbox"/> hospitality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> cleaning | <input type="checkbox"/> lector |
| <input type="checkbox"/> decorating | <input type="checkbox"/> sacristan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eucharistic minister | <input type="checkbox"/> usher |

Q33 Please note if any of these ministries is chaired/organized by a CWL member.

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|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> catechist | <input type="checkbox"/> facilitator |
| <input type="checkbox"/> choir/music | <input type="checkbox"/> hospitality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> cleaning | <input type="checkbox"/> lector |
| <input type="checkbox"/> decorating | <input type="checkbox"/> sacristan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eucharistic minister | <input type="checkbox"/> usher |

Ecumenism and Interfaith Endeavours

Ongoing interfaith dialogues have revealed vast areas of common action and result in the collaboration of churches on a range of social issues.

Q34 In what ways has your council reached out to women of other denominations or faiths?

	other churches	other faiths	both	neither
initiated joint prayer services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
invited women to council meetings	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
invited women to social events	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
joint speaker	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q35 Did your council promote awareness of or participate in any of the following?

	yes	no
Fellowship of the Least Coin	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
(January)



Women's Inter-church Council of
Canada



World Day of Prayer (March)



WUCWO Day (May)



Summary and Final Thoughts

Q36 What is your biggest challenge as chairperson of spiritual development and how do you plan to address it?

Q37 What was your biggest challenge in completing this survey?

Thank you for taking this survey. Your input helps the board to understand the priorities of councils for future planning.

Before pressing the "submit" button, please "print" the survey responses for your records.

To "print", ensure that pop-ups are enabled. If you are unsure how to enable pop-ups, please contact Ingrid at national office for assistance.

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