

November 27, 2023

2023 Annual Report

Has your council taken the time to answer the survey?

Deadline for submitting, online or paper copy, is **December 15th**. If you need assistance, please contact out Organization chair, Maureen Vincentine at <u>bvincentine@sympatico.ca</u> – she will be happy to get you on the right path.

<u>Message from National</u>: The time and energy you and your members devote to completing the survey are appreciated. It is because of your efforts that the League continues to be a needed presence in Canada and the world, and the survey gives the opportunity to promote and celebrate our nationwide sisterhood!

CWL Wednesday Correspondence

As you are aware, National is sending communication out on Wednesday and emails directly to the level that needs to know. On November 22, the latest news was sent out and included all parish presidents as well as parish secretaries they have on file. It contained a communiqué from the National Past President.

If you are a parish president or a parish secretary and did not receive this email, please contact Celestine directly at <u>officeassistant@cwl.ca</u> and ask to be added to the distribution for future parish communications.

Unity Outreach - ACTION

Many councils and individual members are asking for assistance with Social Justice, specifically learning more on **Human Trafficking**. I was recommended a speaker that gave a talk at the Toronto's convention earlier this year. I will be inviting her to our next convention. Her name is Kaitlyn Ranasinghe from BridgeNorth.

In the meantime, their website seems to provide lots of info and videos. Check it out <u>https://bridgenorth.org/</u>

Provincial OPC Newsletter

Our Kingston Diocesan Council will soon be featured in the March edition of the OPC (Ontario Provincial Council) Newsletter. In preparation, please send your council stories with pictures to Annette at <u>kingstoncwlrc@gmail.com</u>. Let's show everyone the great works and celebrations happening in our area.

Elections for 2024-2026 Term

You are eligible to hold office on our CWL Diocesan Council if you are a past parish president (in the last 3 terms) or current diocesan officer. Nancy Richer has accepted the role of Election chair for the upcoming process. She will soon be sending out packages to all eligible sisters. We will be looking for a full slate under the new executive structure.

I urge you, if you are blessed with this invitation, to prayerfully consider what the Holy Spirit is calling you to. Take the time needed to discern this important decision.

We need dedicated officers to serve our wonderful Kingston parish councils.

I ask all members, if you know of someone who would be an asset to the Diocesan Council, reach out to them, tell them, encourage them to consider this rewarding experience.

Remember, we are all here to help each other *grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service.*

Feedback is appreciated – please send to kingstondiocesancwl@gmail.com

God bless

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