

The Catholic Women's League of Canada

Kingston Diocesan Council

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- Pope Francis has dedicated 2024 as the Year of Prayer in preparation for Jubilee 2025 under the theme, Pilgrims of Hope. Councils are encouraged to consult the Vatican website about the tradition and significance of a jubilee year and to join in prayerful preparation for Jubilee 2025. The Jubilee Prayer is attached to my directive for sharing and praying in preparation for the jubilee pilgrimage.
- The Handbook for Chairpersons of Faith, Service and Social Justice advises, "Each new year, or at least each new term, should bring with it the opportunity to re-examine what the council is doing and where its energies and resources are going." Guided by members' interests and the charisms of the council, the chairperson of faith plans spiritual programs with the spiritual advisor's guidance. The Liturgical Calendar for Year B is an excellent resource for daily Mass readings, solemnities, special feasts, memorials of saints, etc. The spiritual program for a council's monthly meeting can be an occasion to highlight a particular saint's life, study Catholic teaching, and discuss scripture in small groups, supplemented by communal prayer. The implementation committee working groups have developed several resources and a prayer service planning workshop to assist chairpersons of faith. Also attached to my directive is a list of faith resources available on the League's website.

Respectfully Submitted