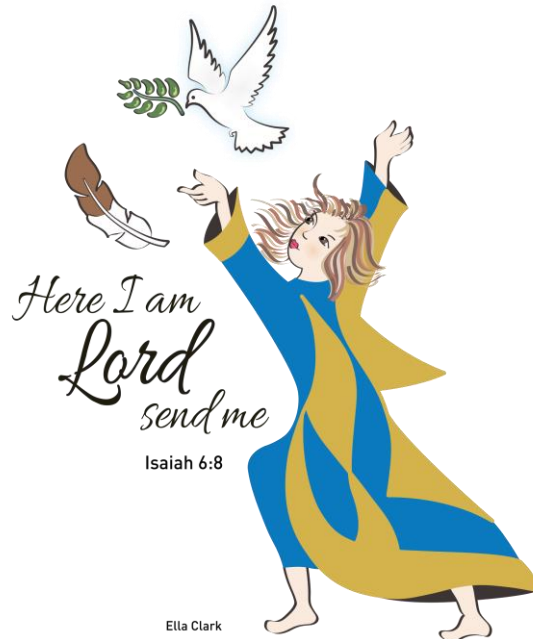




**103rd Kingston Diocesan Convention
The Catholic Women's League of Canada**



To be held at the
Quality Inn and Conference Centre Kingston Central
33 Benson Street, Kingston, Ontario

**April 26 and 27, 2025
Registration and Information Package**

**Archbishop Michael Mulhall,
Spiritual Advisors,
Presidents,
Officers,
Chairpersons,
Honorary Life Member,
Life Members,
Past Diocesan Presidents,
and League Members
are cordially invited to attend the 103rd Convention**

Hosted by your Diocesan Council



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

My dear sisters in the League,

I am very pleased to extend our invitation to you, to attend the 103rd annual convention of the Kingston Diocesan Catholic Women's League, April 26 – 27, 2025. It will again be held at the Quality Inn, Benson Street, Kingston.

Our Mission Statement reads: "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".

A convention is so much more than just an annual general meeting! We gather as Catholic women living in the Kingston archdiocese; we are invited to grow in faith through the liturgies and prayer services; to celebrate together as sisters in the League; to give witness to the service we have provided in our communities and to learn new ways to act justly.

This year, we have the opportunity to celebrate together as League members, the feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel (April 26) and also Divine Mercy Sunday April 27. We are so blessed!

I sincerely hope you and other members of your council will accept this invitation to join with your sisters across the archdiocese to participate in a weekend that promises spiritual growth, inspiration and renewal. I look forward to seeing you at the convention and pray that Our Lady of Good Counsel continues to bless us in our endeavours for God and Canada.

Maureen Vincentine

Maureen Vincentine
President, Kingston Diocesan Council
The Catholic Women's League of Canada



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November 9, 2024, Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Peace be with you my dear Sisters in the League!

As I write this, the month of prayer for the souls in Purgatory has begun in earnest, and this week, the Church has given us all week an opportunity to meditate on saint Paul's letter to the Philippians, a letter from which "Rejoice in the Lord always!", the focus of our recently installed provincial president, Colleen Martin, is inspired (her provincial focus is a quote from the letter of saint Paul to the Philippians, chapter 4, verse 4).

In short, I am excited and feeling inspired as I sit down to invite you to the *2025 Diocesan Convention of the Catholic Women's League for the Archdiocese of Kingston* (April 26-27, 2025). For her part, our Diocesan President Maureen Vincentine has invited you to focus on mentoring in your local experience of walking with your sisters in your local parish councils. Meanwhile, the National theme of the Catholic Women's League "Here I am Lord, send me!" continues to accompany us till the August National Convention in 2025.

The Diocesan Convention is happening throughout the weekend known as *Divine Mercy Sunday*. This is a providential message. Without *Divine Mercy*, how could we set out to respond, "Here I am Lord, send me"? Without *Divine Mercy*, how could we *rejoice in the Lord always*? But with *Divine Mercy*, we have all the motivation we need to do the hard work of mentoring another sister in the League.

Mentoring implies an authentic relationship of trust between the mentor and her mentee. Mentoring requires the one being mentored feeling valued, respected, and invested in by her mentor for the present and the future of our organization. Mentoring requires the mentor to have a vision filled with hope. The joy of belonging to the Lord Jesus anchors our commitment to invite women to live out their feminine genius in the Church, and for the service of God and Canada.

The 2025 Diocesan convention in Kingston is an opportunity for those who know how good the experience is, to commit to coming, AND to intentionally mentor another member of the *Catholic Women's League* into making the decision to experience the full convention.

The present and future of the League not only depends on you coming to Kingston to attend the Diocesan Convention for yourself, but whether or not you will ensure in all the ways that matter, that young adult women, single, engaged or married, who may or may not be mothers, and who may have to navigate the challenge of being single parents, join you this year for the Convention.

May Our Lady of Good Counsel, Saint Faustina Kowalska, and all holy women throughout the ages guide you in discerning how to respond to this invitation!

Father Stéphane Pouliot
Diocesan Spiritual Advisor

Agenda Saturday, April 26, 2025

7:30 am	Registration	Ballroom Foyer
8:30-9:00 a.m.	Pre-Convention Meeting Diocesan Executive, including Parish Council Presidents	TBD
9:15 a.m.	Eucharistic Celebration Celebrant: Fr. Stéphane Pouliot, Diocesan Spiritual Advisor	Ballroom
	Official Opening Land Acknowledgement Vendor Information	Maureen Vincentine
10:15 a.m.	Refreshment Break (ticket required)	Ballroom
10:30 a.m.	Business Session Call to Order League Prayer Welcome Greetings from Dignitaries Roll Call Presentation/Adoption of Standing Rules Announcements and Credential Report	Ballroom Maureen Vincentine Annette Meadows Maureen Vincentine Michelle Morrow Lyne Tuepah Nancy Richer
11:00 a.m.	Greetings from Provincial President	Linda Squarzolo
11:15 a.m.	Presentation	
11:55 a.m.	Convention Announcements	
12:00 p.m.	Regina Caeli (Queen of Heaven)/Grace Luncheon (ticket required)	Fr. Stéphane Pouliot Ballroom
1:00 p.m.	Crowning of Mary	Annette Meadows
1:30 p.m.	Key Note Speaker	
2:45 p.m.	Refreshment Break (ticket required)	Ballroom
3:00 p.m.	Reports continued Treasurer Secretary Vice-President Faith Service Social Justice Past President / Historian Life Member Liaison	Mary Lou Hills Michelle Morrow Bernadette Veitch Annette Meadows Colleen Krasna Celeste Guse Lyne Tuepah B.A. Brown Davidson
4:00 p.m.	Closing Afternoon Prayer Service	Annette Meadows
4:30 p.m.	Convention Announcements/Adjournment	
6:00 p.m.	Informal Dinner (ticket required) and Social	

Agenda Sunday, April 27, 2025

7:30 a.m.	Registration (coffee and breakfast on your own)	Ballroom Foyer
9:00 a.m.	Living Rosary	Ballroom
9:25 a.m.	Announcements/Credentials Report	Nancy Richer
9:30 a.m.	<i>Presentation</i>	
10:30 a.m.	Refreshment Break (ticket required)	Ballroom
11:00 a.m.	Spiritual Advisor Report	Fr. Stéphane Pouliot
11:10 a.m.	Hope Fund Disbursement	Maureen Vincentine
11:15 a.m.	President's Report	Maureen Vincentine
11:30 a.m.	President's Closing Remarks & Convention Adjournment	
11:55 a.m.	Final Registration and Credential Report	Nancy Richer
12:00 p.m.	Regina Caeli (Queen of Heaven)/Grace Luncheon (ticket required)	Fr. Stéphane Pouliot Ballroom
1:15 p.m.	Post-Convention Meeting Diocesan Executive, including Parish Council Presidents	TBD
2:00 p.m.	Buses Depart for Closing Mass	
2:30 p.m.	Divine Mercy Chaplet	St. Mary's Cathedral
3:00 p.m.	Closing Mass Celebrant Concelebrants	St. Mary's Cathedral Archbishop Michael Mulhall Fr. Stéphane Pouliot, Diocesan Spiritual Advisor Parish Council Spiritual Advisors Priests of the Archdiocese
	Reaffirmation of Executive Fr. Stéphane Pouliot, Nancy Richer	
4:30 p.m.	Pre-Banquet Reception Open to Everyone	Ballroom
5:30 p.m.	Banquet (ticket required)	Ballroom



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REGISTRATION FORM**

Please COPY as necessary to complete ONE form PER PERSON. Please PRINT.

Name _____
 Address: _____ City _____
 Postal Code: _____ Phone _____
 Email _____
 CWL Council: _____ City _____
 Are there any diet concerns, please specify: _____

Is this your first CWL Convention? (circle one) YES or NO

Please check one

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> DIOCESAN SPIRITUAL ADVISOR | <input type="checkbox"/> DIOCESAN OFFICER/CHAIRPERSON
<i>(Complete appropriate Credential form enclosed)</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> National Representative | <input type="checkbox"/> Provincial Representative |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT (voting delegate)
<i>(Complete appropriate Credential Form enclosed)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> PARISH COUNCIL ACCREDITED DELEGATE
<i>(Complete appropriate Credential form enclosed)</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LIFE MEMBER – ACCREDITED DELEGATE
<i>(Complete appropriate Credential form enclosed)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> PAST DIOCESAN PRESIDENT |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CWL MEMBER | <input type="checkbox"/> PARISH COUNCIL SPIRITUAL ADVISOR |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Guest (non-member) |

Please note: After over a decade charging the same price; and to help offset the growing costs, we have made the hard decision to raise the registration fee by \$5

Convention Registration Fee: \$ 30.00
 ****Annual report book will be available online
 after the convention unless you wish to
 purchase one***

Convention Registration Fee \$30.00
 Annual report book ____ x \$5.00 _____
 Will you take the bus to Mass Sunday: (circle one) YES or NO

TOTAL PAYMENT sent with this form: \$ _____

MAIL on or before March 25, 2025

- this form (or forms)
- cheque and
- credential form to:
Nancy Richer - CWL
11155 Grisdale Blvd.
Iroquois, ON K0E 1K0

Make cheque payable to: 'The Catholic Women's League of Canada'
 (on memo line of cheque please write "registration").

Deadline for registration is March 25, 2025 No refunds after registration deadline

Credential Form – Accredited Delegate

Please check: Honorary Life Member Life Member Diocesan Officer/Chairperson

Name of Accredited Delegate: (please print) _____

Address: _____

Parish Council: _____

Return this with your registration form to: Nancy Richer

Credential Form – Parish Council Voting Delegate (One Per Parish)

This is to certify that:

Name: (please print) _____

Address: _____

Is the Voting Delegate of _____ Parish Council

Signature of Parish Council President: _____

Signature of Recording Secretary: _____

Return this with your registration form to: Nancy Richer

Credential Form – Parish Council Accredited Delegate

This is to certify that:

Name: (please print) _____

Address: _____

Is an Accredited Delegate of _____ Parish Council

Signature of Parish Council President: _____

Signature of Recording Secretary: _____

Return this with your registration form to: Nancy Richer

Credential Form – Parish Council Accredited Delegate

This is to certify that:

Name: (please print) _____

Address: _____

Is an Accredited Delegate of _____ Parish Council

Signature of Parish Council President: _____

Signature of Recording Secretary: _____

Return this with your registration form to: Nancy Richer

The contact info above will be used by the Registration Committee and Diocesan Recording Secretary for checking credentials, preparing voting cards and the credential record. Information will be destroyed once the convention is over.

WE HEARD YOU

As we sifted through the feedback from last year's evaluation forms, the sense was that of satisfaction. You appreciated the spiritual inspiration, how well it was organized, the fellowship opportunities, the guest speakers, the friendliness of both the hotel staff and our CWL hostesses as well as the venue itself. There were a few negative comments on the food quality but for the most part, the meals were enjoyed.

The overall consensus however was the meal prices were way too high so let me speak a little on that and what we are working on...

- ✓ The cost of food and services have risen everywhere. It is not specific to the Quality Inn. Their prices are comparable to other venues in the area.
- ✓ The prices must include tax (13%) and administrative / service charge (18%). An example of what that looks like: when the buffet evening dinner is listed as \$45.00 in their brochure, we are actually being charged \$59.85 by the hotel. The host council sets the price per meal based on the hotel actual cost and their budget. Saturday night buffet was listed as \$60.00.
- ✓ Another popular question is why can't we have a cookie or muffin with break? Serving coffee / tea only is listed as \$5.00, with the actual cost being \$6.65 per person. You will remember you were charged \$3.00 with the host council making up the difference. Adding food packages would come at an actual cost ranging from \$17 to \$26 a person.
 - We did get permission from the hotel to include a pre-packaged bar or cookie in the delegate bags for you to enjoy. Note: outside food is not allowed in the meeting rooms without prior permission from the hotel.

Going Forward

Regardless of all the rising price explanations, it doesn't change the fact that many of our members cannot afford to pay the price of these meals. We sat down with the hotel and explained our situation. We were simply being outpriced of hosting our convention in any hotel environment and we likely would be looking at other options such as using church or school facilities in the future.

The Quality Inn Hotel and Conference Centre in Kingston does not want to lose our yearly visit and has provided us some options and discounts where the food is concerned, while still remaining viable (they are a business!).

1. They have lowered the coffee/tea break from \$5.00 to \$2.50. (actual cost now \$3.33). With some sponsors and fundraising, your Diocesan Council feels we could cover this cost and provide it to you free. We still need to know if you will be partaking for planning purposes.
2. The hotel has introduced their Budget Buffet ranging from \$20 to \$28 (before tax and service). This is cheaper than previous years however there is a catch: Minimum 80 people. Under 80 people add \$10 per person. We have chosen both Saturday meals from this section so we ask you to please consider joining us for both lunch and dinner. We will need to pay for at least 80 meals or eat the extra cost.
3. They lowered the basic cost for the banquet plated meal by charging additional for premium dishes. You will have 3 selections to choose from and your cost will be \$9 less than last year.

In addition, the guest room rate remains unchanged from last year at \$159 plus tax and service.

The hotel management is truly trying to work with us to assist our guests in these troubled economic times. We hope these adjustments will help you to participate in all aspects of the weekend.

Your sister in Christ,

Lynne Tuepak

2025 Kingston Diocesan Convention Chair



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SUMMARY MEAL ORDER & PAYMENT FORM

Please complete this summary meal form together with the detailed form, and please PRINT.

CWL Council: _____ City _____

PLEASE NOTE:

Each delegate must pick up their own delegate bag and package at the CWL Registration Desk.

Contact Name: _____ Phone _____

ALL MEALS INCLUDE TAX & GRATITUTY

Saturday April 26	Beverage (only) Break 10:15 a.m.	_____ X \$0.00	= \$0.00
Saturday April 26	Luncheon	_____ X \$28.00	= \$
Saturday April 26	Beverage (only) Break 2:45 p.m.	_____ X \$0.00	= \$0.00
Saturday April 26	Dinner Buffet	_____ X \$38.00	= \$
Sunday, April 27	Beverage (only) Break 10:30 a.m.	_____ X \$0.00	= \$0.00
Sunday, April 27	Luncheon	_____ X \$34.00	= \$
Sunday, April 27	Banquet: Chicken Supreme	_____ X \$66.00	= \$
Sunday, April 27	Banquet: Atlantic Salmon	_____ X \$66.00	= \$
Sunday, April 27	Banquet: Miso-Glazed Eggplant	_____ X \$66.00	= \$
Sunday, April 27	Spiritual Advisor's Banquet Ticket: Chicken: _____ Salmon: _____ Eggplant _____	_____ X \$66.00	= \$
Carryover from Registration Forms submitted	Registration Fee:	_____ X \$30.00	= \$
	Annual report book fee:	_____ X \$5.00	= \$
	Bus to Closing Mass	_____ X \$0.00	= \$
		Total Payment	= \$

All meals MUST be ordered and PAID FOR in advance. Meal tickets are not available for cash at the Convention. Please ADVISE of any dietary restrictions on the registration form.

Note: Coffee/Tea breaks are gifted this year.

To assist with numbers, please indicate if you will be partaking so we can give you a break ticket.

Please return this form along with the registration form.

Include your cheque for the costs of meals, registration and Report book Payable to

'The Catholic Women's League of Canada' and mail by March 25, 2025 to:

Nancy Richer, 11155 Grisdale Blvd., Iroquois, ON K0E 1K0

All meal tickets will be included in your registration package. For members only attending the Sunday banquet, please obtain your ticket from your council president or designate.

ACCOMMODATION RESERVATIONS:

Must be made directly with the Quality Inn and Conference Centre Kingston Central – **Phone 1-613-546-3661**

Specify that you are attending "The Catholic Women's League" A block of rooms for Friday and/or Saturday night is **reserved until March 26, 2025** and room rates are: \$159.00 plus taxes, plus overnight parking of \$6. All rooms have 2 Queen or 1 King Bed

Menu

Saturday Morning Break

Coffee and Tea

Saturday Lunch: Taco buffet

- Chef's salad
- Hard & soft taco shells
 - o Seasoned ground beef
 - o Shredded lettuce, cheese, salsa, and rice
- Assorted sweets

Saturday Afternoon Break

Coffee and Tea

Saturday Night Buffet: Roast Beef dinner buffet

- Chef's salad
- Roasted top sirloin with mushroom jus
 - o Roasted potato
 - o Baby carrots
 - o Dinner rolls
- Assorted sweets

Sunday Morning Break

Coffee and Tea

Sunday Lunch: The Market

- Chef's daily soup
- On assorted breads
 - o **The Club:** shaved turkey, hot house tomato, Boston bibb lettuce, & bacon aioli
 - o **The Ballpark:** smoked meat, whole grain mustard aioli & dill pickle
 - o **Garden Wrap:** roasted vegetables with black garlic hummus, baby greens & pickled carrots
- Assorted desserts
- Coffee, tea & pop

Sunday Banquet

Served with freshly baked bread and whipped butter, fresh steamed vegetable medley, potato or rice, freshly brewed coffee, decaffeinated coffee, tea and herbal teas

- Spinach Salad: baby spinach, shaved red onion, candied pecans, Jack Daniels vinaigrette

Choose 1

- **Chicken Supreme:** herb-crusted chicken with pesto cream
- **Atlantic Salmon:** pan-roasted fillet with teriyaki glaze
- **Miso-Glazed Eggplant:** char-grilled eggplant with soba noodles, bok choy & ponzu
- Double Chocolate Cheesecake: caramel sauce and candied pecans

DETAILED ATTENDANCE AND MEAL ORDER - KINGSTON DIOCESAN CONVENTION APRIL 26 - 27, 2025

CWL Council:	City:
Contact Name:	E-mail:
Phone:	

Please print clearly and identify Life Members and Past Diocesan Presidents. Please put a check mark in appropriate columns.

Name & Title	Registration Form Submitted		Will Attend Sat	Will Attend Sun	Sat am Break	Sat Lunch	Sat pm Break	Sat Dinner	Sun am Break	Sun Lunch	Sun Banquet	Will take the bus to / from the closing Mass	Dietary Restrictions				
	Yes	No															
														Y or N	Y or N	\$34.00	\$66.00
Council President																	
Council Spiritual Advisor																	
Council Members:																	
<u>Mail on or before Tuesday, March 25, 2025</u>													Mail to:				

this form, the summary meal order, payment form, registration forms and a cheque for **meals, registration and report books** payable to **'The Catholic Women's League of Canada'**.
 On memo line, please write 'meals & registration'

Nancy Richer - CWL
 11155 Grisdale Blvd, RR#1
 Iroquois, ON K0E 1K0



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PROVINCIAL AND DIOCESAN VOLUNTARY DONATIONS

PROVINCIAL VOLUNTARY FUND

Bishop Bernard F. Pappin Memorial Bursary Fund

Bishop Pappin was the Provincial Spiritual Advisor and died suddenly while in office. The Provincial Executive established this fund in his memory, and it is used annually to financially assist seminarians in Ontario.

DIOCESAN VOLUNTARY FUND

HOPE Fund

This unique diocesan project was the inspiration of Theresa Mangan, and Lillian O'Connor with encouragement from Father Boyle, then Diocesan Spiritual Advisor, with input from Carmel Foster. It was established as a project of love and concern for our neighbour.

The Hope Fund has tended to give consideration to applications that relate to family or individual situations. However, non-funded groups that are struggling to provide a better community environment are not necessarily prohibited from receiving a 'ray of hope.'

Parish councils are encouraged to make an annual donation to the Hope Fund and to submit the name of potential recipients along with a brief summary of the reason for submitting the name(s). The application form should be returned to the diocesan president as per the instructions on the bottom of the form.

Kenya Help

Kenya Help was founded in 2008 by Nancy Stevens. However, the seeds for its creation were sown during Nancy's first trip to Africa in 2005, working as a Habitat for Humanity volunteer. She then volunteered in several other African countries before making Kenya her home away from home. The knowledge Nancy gained working on these various projects created a vision of "doing things differently" to continue her mission of changing the lives of others in Africa. Working with the community leaders and elders has been her focus; to work together for the same goals. Kenya Help encourages self-sustainability, builds schools, and provides food and clean drinking water.

Their mission is to make positive change for the children of Ngong, Kenya. They work to enhance the education of students by providing full classrooms, food and clean water. They provide the tools in order for the communities to become more self-sustainable and be able to lift themselves from poverty. Education is empowering the children and communities and gives them the courage to better their lives. Their vision is to see the next generation of leaders grow physically strong, spiritually generous, technically knowledgeable and ready to change the work.

To make a donation to the HOPE Fund and Kenya Help, please use the REMITTANCE FORM for Provincial and Diocesan Voluntary Donations with a cheque payable to 'The Catholic Women's League of Canada'



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REMITTANCE FORM PROVINCIAL AND DIOCESAN VOLUNTARY DONATIONS

Parish Council _____

Council Treasurer _____
(Please print)

Phone number _____ Date _____

FUND	AMOUNT
PROVINCIAL Voluntary Fund Bishop Bernard F. Pappin Memorial Bursary Fund	\$
DIOCESAN Voluntary Fund HOPE Fund	\$
DIOCESAN Bursary Fund Kenya Help	\$
TOTAL	\$

Please make cheque payable to **The Catholic Women's League of Canada**
and forward by **April 1, 2025** to the Diocesan Treasurer:

Mary Lou Hills
704 - 845 Gardiners Rd.
Kingston, ON K7M 7E6



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HOPE FUND APPLICATION

Name and Address of Nominee(s):

Brief description:

Background Information: (Please provide as much information as possible as to other funding the nominee may be receiving, any special circumstances or difficulties, etc.) Use back of page, if necessary.

Signature of CWL President
Signature of Spiritual Advisor
Name of Council
Town or City of Council

Please submit application by April 1, 2025 to: Maureen Vincentine

Email: kingstondiocesancwl@gmail.com

Address: 810 Mudcat Road, Foxboro, Ontario, K0K 2B0

To submit your donation to the HOPE Fund please use the **Remittance Form for Provincial and Diocesan Voluntary Donations** and mail it **by April 1, 2025 to the Diocesan Treasurer:**

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BIRTHRIGHT DONATIONS

The essence of Birthright is love. Birthright is unique and committed to offering free, non-judgmental help to women facing unplanned pregnancies. Birthright offers love, hope and support to each woman, to help her make a realistic plan for her future and the future of her unborn child. Birthright started in Toronto. In our Archdiocese, there are locations in Kingston and Belleville.

Please check the appropriate space to direct your donation to the location of your choice.

Name of Parish Council _____

City or Town of Parish Council _____

Amount \$ _____

_____ Belleville

_____ Kingston

_____ Please divide between the 2 locations

_____ Our donation has been sent directly to Birthright

Please make all cheques payable to **The Catholic Women's League of Canada** and **forward with this form by April 1, 2025** to the Diocesan Treasurer:

Mary Lou Hills
704 - 845 Gardiners Rd.
Kingston, ON K7M 7E6



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NATIONAL BURSARY FUND

*Send remittance form and cheque payable to
'The Catholic Women's League of Canada' to the **National Office**
Send COPY of the remittance form ONLY to the Diocesan Treasurer by April 1, 2025*

Please download the current form from the National website www.cwl.ca, you will find the sheet under forms – National Voluntary Fund Remittance Form

Four agencies and the CWL national bursary fund are permanently assisted by donations received from members and councils of The Catholic Women's League of Canada.

- **Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace (CCODP)** – established in 1967, is Canada's official Catholic overseas development organization launched by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. CCODP has helped support projects such as grassroots community development, literacy programs, mother and child health care, skills training, agricultural programs and emergency relief. CCODP also supports educational programs, helping make Canadians more aware of the problems and goals of people in developing countries. CCODP's primary sources of funds are the yearly Share Lent campaign, Canadian International Development Agency and donations from individuals and groups. Since 1969, the League has supported women's projects in developing countries funded by CCODP through the "1% Program." Brochures are available from national office.
- **Catholic Missions In Canada (CMIC)** – CWL Mission Partners Fund raises funds to provide missionaries with the tools they need to catechize throughout mission dioceses found within Canada. CWL Mission Partners, in conjunction with the League, supports six religious education programs.
- **Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA)** – raises funds to support Eastern Catholic churches by building up the church, affirming human dignity and alleviating poverty, encouraging dialogue and inspiring hope.
- **Coady International Institute** – of St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, Nova Scotia, was founded by Dr. Moses Coady who gave leadership to the Antigonish Movement, which promotes the ideal that by learning and working together, men and women become "masters of their own destinies."
- **National Bursary Fund** - In 1988, the League received two generous donations in response to the call for lay formation in Pope John Paul II's Exhortation, *Christifideles Laici*. In light of the expressed desire of the League to encourage members' service "For God and Canada", the national executive agreed by motion that these donations be used to establish a bursary fund. The bursary fund is used to provide financial assistance to members needing it to pursue studies, courses, seminars, conferences, workshops and diploma/degree programs in areas of spiritual growth, adult faith formation, and youth ministry, ministry to patients in palliative care, ministry to shut-ins, parliamentary procedure, and literacy tutoring.