



The Catholic Women's League of Canada
London Diocesan Council

To: All Parish Presidents and Christian Family Life Chairpersons
CC: London Diocesan Council, and OPC Christian Family Life Chairperson
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“Have patience with all things, but first of all with yourself”. St. Frances de Sales

Lent is a prayerful time for you and your families. Plan to set aside time to pray together and prepare for Easter. Add special prayers for the Ukraine and pray the rosary for peace.

Thank you to all the councils who sent in their Christian Family Life year-end reports for 2021. Through the pandemic we have been supportive of our families, seniors, widowed, disabled, and others who have needed our help.

Conscience Rights Bill Update:

In the previous parliament, Kelly Block- MP from Saskatchewan sponsored a Conscience Rights Bill to protect medical professionals from being forced to participate in medical assistance in dying. The bill didn't go to a vote before the election was called.

Kelly is now introducing a nearly identical Conscience Rights Bill in this parliament. The new bill C-230/44-1 will have time to be voted on. 1st reading was on February 4th. Send letters of support to Kelly Block MP, House of Commons, Ottawa, Ontario (Kelly.block@parl.gc.ca); and contact your Member of Parliament at the House of Commons Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6.

“My Story” Update:

Thank you for sending your Stories and signed permission pages for “My Story” to Compassionate Community Care. Please keep doing so if you haven't sent your story in yet. The book will be awesome when published. Continue to get your stories in and keep copies for your CWL councils' histories. I will continue to update you.

Dates to Remember:

World Day of Prayer for Vocations Sunday May 8th.

National March for Life Thursday May 12th.

Share these dates with your members. Plan events or prayers to promote these events at your councils.

Prayer to Saint Monica Patron Saint of Mothers:

Great St. Monica, patroness of all fathers and mothers, please take our children, especially those who have turned from the ways of God and His Church, under your protection. Let them always remain faithful to their baptismal vows. Give them the strength to walk always in the ways of the Lord, despite the temptations and false values they find in the world today. Grant that they may share with you the joys of eternal life. Amen. Prayer and more info at <https://christianapostles.com/st-monica/>

‘Our Lady of Good Counsel Guide Us on Our Journey’

Mary Ann