



London Diocesan Council
The Catholic Women's League of Canada



To: All Parish Presidents, Christian Family Life Chairpersons

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Welcome everyone and Best Wishes to all. I am grateful and enthusiastic to begin my second term of office. After retiring from my 28 1/2 year career in teaching living in northern Newfoundland and the south shore of Labrador I returned to Ontario. My husband and I retired to Clinton as my home base has been Huron County for the last 50 years. The CWL became a major focal point of my life and has lead me to embrace this worthwhile and life rewarding challenge.

For the many of us who are working in this area our duties deal with: marriage and family, sanctity of life, ministry to youth, disabled, seniors, single, widowed, separated and divorced and the promotion of Vocations.

One of the most valuable resources you can find is a book by Pope Francis {Amoris Laetitia} Pope Francis- the Joy of Love- on Love in the Family. Pope Francis gives his views on the Family and how we can help make changes. We must remember the family as most of us see is not made the same way nowadays. We have to deal with inter-racial mixing as well as interfaith mixing. The biggest of all problems is the numerous persons that have turned their backs on the Lord.

No council can accomplish something in all areas but hopefully your councils will pick one or two goals from the above and work on them. The one area we cannot let our guard down is the Sanctity of Life. With the onset of a provincial election you and your families have to pay attention to the issues and all the promises made to us during the campaign. Please get to know your local candidates and what they stand for. Euthanasia and Doctor Assisted Suicide must be addressed, especially since plans are being drawn up for Pediatric Euthanasia. A good resource for Euthanasia is a movie called –The Euthanasia Deception .It is available by calling 1-888-675-8749 or contacting www.CompassionateCommunityCare.org.

In conclusion here is a short prayer from Teen Prayers by Teens

Prayer for the Blessing of the Family: Thank you Father, for all the blessings you have given my family. Thank you for keeping us healthy. Thank you for our home, our food and our schools. Thank you for the time we spend together. Help us to forgive one another when we fight and talk to each when we are mad. Help us to do the right thing. Guide us as we try to live as your followers. Amen

Wishing you a blessed and happy Summer!!

Denise