



The Catholic Women's League of Canada

London Diocesan Council

To: All Parish Presidents, Education and Health Chairperson
CC: London Diocesan Council, Hilarion Mitchell OPC Education and Health Chairperson
From: Mary Clare Latimer
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Directive #8

Ask Him.....to remind you that the best way to find yourself is to give yourself.

Jane Trufant

Harvey

Change is on the horizon with the outcome of the national instructed votes on the Constitution and Bylaws amendments. This term represents the last time the current Education and Health duties will be carried out under this committee. Current Education and Health committee duties will be covered by the new chairpersons responsible for Service and Social Justice as we transition to the League of the future.

Current Education and Health Duties to be directed under Service Chairperson

a) Catholic education

(i) Catholic schools and catechesis

(ii) Rites of Christian Initiation

b) literacy and continuing education

c) Scholarships and bursaries

d) Wellness and sickness/disease

Current Education and Health Duties to be directed under Social Justice Chairperson

e) Environment

f) Genetics

2022 OPC Resolutions

The resolutions below were adopted at the Ontario Provincial Council 75thAMM/Convention in July 2022. Click on each blue hyperlink below to access their brief, resource lists and action plans.

[ON.22.01 Improve Care in Long-term Care Homes](#)

[ON.22.02 National Strategy to Address Loneliness](#)

Launch of Life and Dignity Resource <https://cwl.ca/launch-of-life-and-dignity-of-the-human-person-resource/>

Change to National Bursary Criteria: Please pass on information regarding a change to the criteria for the **national bursary**. **The addition of education toward a nursing degree has been added.** Each application with this in mind will be examined on a case-by-case basis to ensure that the intent of the applicant is to provide ministry to life at all stages from conception to natural death. The updated criteria and application form are found on the cwl.ca website and the deadline for applying is, as always, May 15th.

Blood Services Canada relies on The League's ongoing commitment to provide 200 donations of blood this year in partnership with Canadian Blood Services (CBS). The CBS is in immediate need for new and returning blood, platelet and plasma donors. Today, CBS has 31,000 fewer active donors than at the beginning of the pandemic. This is the greatest decline in numbers in a decade. Encourage members along with their family members and friends to help this situation by giving the gift of life. All healthy individuals are able to give blood from age 17 onward. There is no age which is too old to help. The League Partner ID with Canadian Blood Services is **CATH011269**.

National Catholic Health Care Week October 2-8, 2022

This year's theme *Building Bridges* focuses on the commitment of Catholic health to reach out, create connections, care for all, address gaps and work collaboratively to improve the health and wellbeing of all Canadians. Encourage members to take part in National Catholic Health Care Week through using the prayers and resources found at www.chac.ca.

Go Make a Difference!!

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me via email edhloncwl@gmail.com or by phone 519-358-6705, especially if you come across an educational or health concern that would be of interest to other members!

Blessings to all of you!

Mary Clare