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The Catholic Women's League of Canada

London Diocesan Council

To: All Parish Presidents,
CC: London Diocesan Council, Linda Squarzola, OPC President
From: Theresa Ryan, London Diocesan President
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“Each of us is the result of a thought of God. Each of us is willed. Each of us is loved. Each of us is necessary.” — Pope Benedict XVI

Happy New Year! Welcome to any “new” or “recycled presidents” Thank you for accepting the role. You are making history. At the parish level even before any other level the new format for the executive is taking place. Don’t worry, if there are problems along the way, we are all in this together. Please ask for help or advice if you need it. You can start with your regional chair and they will bring your concern further if need be.

Thank you to all those who filled out the annual survey. I hope that it was easier for you to do. We gather our information for our reports through this survey. Also, thanks for those that completed the member satisfaction survey for 2022/23.

Joan Lobsinger has arranged for us to have our annual Lenten retreat February 25th at St. Michael’s London please see her directive and poster for more details. I hope to see many of you there.

Also, I would be remiss if I didn’t advertise for our diocesan convention on April 24-26th. Please save the date. The ladies from the Sarnia region have been working hard on your behalf to welcome you.

When you are working on your budget this year be sure to include a line for convention expenses. Your council should be paying for your delegate to go if at all possible or at *least* some of the cost if you are too small. In order for your council to flourish you need to be inspired and bolstered and that is exactly what happens when you attend our convention.

In mid-December parish council presidents were mailed proposed amendments to the Constitution & Bylaws and voting forms. If your council has not received theirs, please let the National council know by contacting them at info@cwl.ca. These proposed amendments are a follow up from last year’s amendments that now allow for virtual meetings when circumstances preclude meeting in person without having there to be “a government declared emergency” Please send me your copy after you have voted.

National copy is to be sent to C-702 Scotland Ave., Winnipeg, Manitoba R3M 1X5

In order for your vote to count your council must have sent in at least some of your dues. I hope that you have finished collecting them and have sent them in.

Theresa Ryan