

The Catholic Women's League of Canada London Diocesan Council



To: All Parish Presidents, Parish Council Treasurers

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Hope is important because it can make the present moment less difficult to bear. If we believe that tomorrow will be better, we can bear a hardship today." – Thich Nhat Hanh

Oh how times have changed. But life must continue on a different path as long as we have Faith and Hope that we will be able to change when needed.

This is the time of year when councils are finalizing their budget donation, without having any fundraisers that were expected to happen, as well as preparing a budget for 2021.

If we were to look at the mission statements at the Diocesan, Provincial and National level you would see that fundraising is not part of our mandate.

The National mission statement, the Provincial Council's mission statement and London Diocesan Council's mission statement, all call for the League members to be members of **SERVICE**.

No where do we read that we are to fundraise. Our main focus right now should be to the needs of our members. We should be trying to be of **service.** We can serve without being in physical contact.

The future does not look hopeful that we can have close contact with our members and society for a long time. No meetings, no fundraisers. That means that our budgets should reflect this concept and use funds available to service the needs of our members, our community.

Attached you will find the annual Diocesan Report form for 2020. There are some councils that made contributions before Covid arrived. Also attached is the Year End report that I will send off to National at year end.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

My Christmas prayer for you and your family is to stay safe. Catholic Women's League of Canada calls its members to grow

Blessings

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