To: All Parish Presidents, Parish Treasurers

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Happy New Year! What will the new year bring to you? I pray that each of you can find yourself in the mantra of The Catholic Women's League: faith - a strong belief in God and trust in how He leads us: service - the action of helping someone; social justice - equal economic, political and social rights and opportunities; sisterhood -women linked by a common interest.

Just a reminder that you should have your budgets set by now, so that you can continue business as soon as possible. Budgets for the coming year (2022) need to be passed before you can act on any support / donations to outside agencies. Membership dues must be sent in to National by Jan 1 of each year for that year. If you have not already done so, please send in as soon as possible. Remember that it is an act of fraud if dues are collected and not sent in to National before Feb 28 of the same year!

Budgets should always have money set aside for your membership to attend conventions, meetings, workshops, etc. This is part of the council's responsibility to keep their membership up to date on the happenings of the League. The president or voting member should always be fully paid for as she is representing your council. Moneys other than this can be divided between the accredited members in attendance, or any member attending. This should be part of your council's policy and procedure manuals.

If you need assistance with your policy & procedure manual, please reach out to myself or one of the Diocesan executives for assistance.

At our last Diocesan Executive Meeting, I presented a motion to move money out of our chequing account into a GIC to assist in support of the 2025 Provincial Convention which we will host. This convention will be in London (per Bishop Fabbro's request) and utilize the convention center and St. Peter's Cathedral as our place of worship. We hope our reserves will be enough to cover expenses for this convention and permit us to not do a fund-raiser at this time. Please make sure your parish budgets have money set aside for your membership to attend this convention.

Wishing you, your council members, and your families a healthy and safe 2022!

Rebecca