

Dear Sisters in the League,

The Sarnia Lambton Region Convention Committee invites you to the 96<sup>th</sup> Annual Diocesan Convention to be held at the Holiday Inn in Point Edward, Ontario on April 18, 19, 20, 2016.

In your package is a letter from Father Matt Kucharski, Diocesan Spiritual Advisor to the local Councils' Spiritual Advisors. Please pass this letter on to your Spiritual Advisor.

We are pleased to offer a Bus tour of Sarnia Lambton with stops at Twin Pines Orchard Estate Winery followed by lunch and a Fashion Show at Marcanda Tea House on Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at a cost of \$35.00 all in. The tour leaves the Holiday Inn at 10 AM so you would need to **be there by 9:45 AM** to pick up your Tour Ticket. The bus will return you to the hotel by 3:30 PM

We invite you to attend the opening mass at 6 PM at Our Lady of Mercy Church located at the corner of London Road and Christina St. Our Convention Hostesses (identified by their blue sash) will have a list of nearby restaurants available for you when you register for the convention.

Our "Fun Night" on Tuesday will have a country western theme beginning with a family style dinner, followed by a Hoe Down and music by Pete Doiron. Come dressed in your best Country Western outfit and prepare for fun – yehaw. Tickets are included in the full meal package or you can purchase separately. If you do not wish to purchase a ticket for the Fun Night Dinner, you may join in after 7:30 PM at no charge.

We trust that you will find the agenda for Tuesday and Wednesday both informative and spiritually fulfilling. The Celebration of Blessed Oscar Romero and the Crowning of Mary will take place Tuesday after lunch. We are women helping those in need – the gifts to be collected will be shared among these charities:

1. **Woman's Interval Home** – temporary home for women and children leaving an abusive relationship

2. **Migrant Workers Ministry** – temporary workers from Global South coming to our region to work on farms during harvest

See attached page for suggestions for gift bags for these charities

Busing will be provided to and from the opening mass at Our Lady of Mercy Church. As well, busing will be provided to the closing mass and installation of new officers at Sacred Heart Church, 1465 Lecaron Avenue, Sarnia. Bishop Ronald P. Fabbro will be celebrating the closing mass.

The charities supported at this mass collection are:

1. **Noelle's Gift** – [www.noellesgift.ca](http://www.noellesgift.ca) - supports needy children and youth
2. **St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Bank, Sarnia,**
3. **St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Bank, Corunna**
4. **St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Bank, Petrolia**

Join Sarnia/Lambton for the 96<sup>th</sup> Annual London Diocesan Convention. We look forward to seeing all of you, connecting with you, learning together, enjoying meals together and experiencing the spiritual ambiance, especially at the masses, the banquet of the Lord.

See you soon!

Yours Sisters in Christ

Bev Weiler and Wilhelmina Kole

**Suggestions for bags for women and men:**

**Women** – toothbrush, toothpaste, floss, make up pads, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, bar soap, brush or comb

**Men** – socks, deodorant, shampoo, shaver or razor, toothbrush, toothpaste, bar soap, hair brush or comb