



# St. Vital CWL Newsletter

*One Heart, One Voice, One Mission*

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At the beginning of a new CWL year God is calling us through words of our Holy Father Pope Francis, to listen, to see, to love and to think with hearts in a "missionary key"

'More than fear of going astray. my hope is that we will be moved by the fear of remaining shut up within structures that give us a false sense of security and within habits that make us feel safe, while at our door people are starving and Jesus is saying to us' "Give them something to eat"

Taken from Pope Francis' invitation to all.

One Heart, One Voice, One Mission...a new path opens before us. From our vantage point, what is our One Heart? I venture to say it is a common love for Jesus and His people. Thus, the days are greeted with hearts open to "the other," be she a fledgling member, an overworked member, a keen member, a new executive member or a member struggling with illness, loss or pain. Members encourage her because we are one in the Spirit as lovers of the Lord and His League of Catholic women.

What does One Voice mean for us? The presidents of all levels of the League are the public voice of the League. She along with her council members must be united in harmony to speak the truth with courage and zeal.

What could One Mission be? Heed the echo of the last national theme—to encounter the Lord and one another, to build community and then to reach out, to serve, in love. It takes time to sit down and capture memories on paper for posterity—that is one "mission." It takes silence, study, diligence and consultation, to advise on process, rules and regulations. Experience teaches that clear directives help things run smoothly and arrive at successful outcomes. Embrace the new missions with joy and enthusiasm!

Betty Ann Brown Davidson, Past National President

## Keep Informed

CWL National

[www.cwl.ca](http://www.cwl.ca)

CWL Alberta Mackenzie

[www.cwl.ab.ca](http://www.cwl.ab.ca)

CWL Edmonton Diocese

[www.edmontoncwl.org](http://www.edmontoncwl.org)

[www.cwl.ca/media/be-league](http://www.cwl.ca/media/be-league)

[www.forum/cwl.ca](http://www.forum/cwl.ca)

## **Mission Statement**

*The Catholic Women's League of Canada is a national organization rooted in Gospel Values calling its members to holiness through service to God and Canada.*

## St. Vital Catholic Women's League

gathers in the meeting room downstairs in the church every 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. from September to May for their regular meetings. Social activities are planned for June and December meetings and may be scheduled on other dates.

### Membership

All women of the parish 16 years of age and over are invited to join the Catholic Women's League. You can be as involved as much as you are able: by praying, by attending regular meetings and/or by participating in CWL sponsored events. No matter the level of your involvement, you are an added voice to the 86,610 members across Canada who continue to stand up for sanctity of life, dignity and rights of persons and social and economic justice.

St. Vital CWL Council has 41 members. We are proud to be counted among the 4546 members in the Edmonton Archdiocesan Council, the 9,850 members in the Alberta-Mackenzie Provincial Council and the 88,610 members in the National CWL Council.

### Why Become A CWL Member?

- \* To deepen your faith life, enhancing your spiritual journey.
- \* To get to know the women of the parish community and develop friendships.
- \* To be a part of the largest national organization of Catholic women.
- \* To be a part of the united voice for Catholic women when representatives meet with local, provincial and federal governments.
- \* To receive the Canadian League magazine three times a year.
- \* To have fun in a Christian atmosphere of friendship and sharing.

### Be League - CWL's Monthly E-Newsletter

Stories from Alberta Mackenzie CWL councils will be featured in the April issue of Be League. Go online to [cwl.ca](http://cwl.ca) to read about the activities of the CWL councils.

## Refugee Welcome Bag Program

The St. Charles CWL Council in Edmonton prepares welcome bags to give to refugees. The following items are included in the bags:

- toiletry items: toothbrush, toothpaste, hand soap, comb and brush, lotion, razors & shaving cream, feminine napkins, manicure set, bath towel and facecloth

- small sewing kits
- diapers (size 4&5)
- pen & paper, calendars, envelopes
- coloring books and crayons, stuffed toys, story books
- reusable grocery bags

If you have items to give to this worthy cause please take them to a CWL meeting.

## Adopt a Seminarian Program

Our CWL Council has adopted a seminarian studying at Newman College. His name is **Jonathan Klimow** from Calgary, Alberta. Please pray for him so that he may grow spiritually and persevere in his studies.

### Websites Promoting Evangelization

[www.saltandlighttv.org](http://www.saltandlighttv.org)

[www.ewtn.org](http://www.ewtn.org)

[www.canadiandailymass.com](http://www.canadiandailymass.com),

[www.cccb.ca](http://www.cccb.ca);

[flocknote.com](http://flocknote.com)

[archbishopsmith.blogspot.ca](http://archbishopsmith.blogspot.ca)

<https://catholicview.wordpress.com>

### Upcoming Events

**April 17-19: CWL Diocesan Convention** Edson, AB.

**May 14 - Alberta March for Life** Edmonton

**May 16: Marion Centre Visit:** 9:15-2:00 pm.

**May 23: Faith, Fun and Fitness Run/Walk**  
Newman Theological College

**June 5-7: CWL Alberta-Mackenzie Provincial Convention** Yellowknife, NWT

**August 16-19: National Convention** Vancouver, BC

**October 2-4, 2015: Western Canadian Catholic Youth Conference** Red Deer, AB.