



Halifax/Yarmouth Diocesan CWL

TO: Communications Chair  
FROM: Ethel Jack, Diocesan Communication Chair  
RE: Communiqué # 2, 2021

Despite the restrictions that the Covid Pandemic has placed upon all our lives, we are slowly assuming a new normalcy – with some Councils being able to forgo our best friend, ZOOM, and resuming normal meetings and activities – sort of ... always being cognizant of social distancing protocols for safety measures.

**Fall League Magazine:** Due to the increasing costs associated with the production of and rising printing costs, the magazine is now offering an online version. This fall, a survey was included in the mail out, seeking members' opinions. Please endeavour to encourage members to respond to this survey. Parish Councils are encouraged to share their copy with members who are not online.

**National Theme:** National President Fran Lucas has announced our new theme, 'Catholic and Living It', commencing January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 until December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023. The fall mailing from National, plus the winter issue of the Canadian League Magazine will provide detailed information on theme plans for this period.

**The Catholic Register** created a special edition, honouring the CWL 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary, with stories highlighting the accomplishments of many of our Sisters-in-the-League. Orders can be placed directly at their website, [www.catholicregister.org/cwlmembers](http://www.catholicregister.org/cwlmembers), OR by calling 1-588-441-4077. Please remember to mention you are a CWL member, and quote the coupon code CWL2021, to ensure the special pricing of \$5.00.



**Three Goal 3 working groups**, [struck in May 2020, have completed their tasks and their work was forwarded to National Office for publishing. The Encourage Diversity Working Group, has had its work published and uploaded to the national website. Visit [cwl.ca/wpcontent/uploads/2021/08/623-Embracing-Diversity-Tools-for-Council-Use.pdf](https://cwl.ca/wpcontent/uploads/2021/08/623-Embracing-Diversity-Tools-for-Council-Use.pdf) to view and download. Spiritual Formation and Toolkits working groups will have their works published in October & November. Keep up to date @ <https://cwl.ca/implementation-of-the-strategic-plan>, and learn how to volunteer your time and talents for the next phase, beginning soon.

**National Website:** Several marketing initiatives – including To Inspire [a new section added to the League website] – have made their appearance. Stay connected through multiple platforms, including cwl.ca, Facebook, YouTube, Instagram, Twitter and email – a veritable cornucopia of accessibility at our fingertips. Please share the link, [cwl.ca/to-inspire/](https://cwl.ca/to-inspire/), to inform members, family & friends to educate as to the accomplishments of the League, which clearly illustrate that the League is active and continues to provide gifts of faith, service and social justice.

**Provincial Website:** Up to date information, regarding resources and current events are available here. If a council would like to send a picture of returning to meetings in person, it could be added to the website. Please send to **the following link:** (<https://www.nsprovincialcwl.com/>).

**Diocesan Websites:** Diocesan websites provide related material of council information, pertinent to your area, containing a great deal of resources and event details. If you should be seeking information for your area, please leave a message on the website and it will be passed on to the particular Parochial president.

**Halifax-Yarmouth Site:** <https://www.halifaxyarmouthcwl.com>

‘Pornography Hurts’ postcards, depicting a young child in tears, are available from the National Office. The newly elected Federal Cabinet will be available in November, and we are hoping that the government will impose mandatory age verification for adult pornography websites. [Bill S-203 Historical] – this proposed Bill did not become law. To help protect our vulnerable young, we need to send these postcards to all members of the House of Commons, [Prime Minister, Minister of Justice, Minister of Health, MP for your area]

### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

Daily Mass EWTN, Salt and Light, Vision - check your provider for channel information

Vatican News ([www.vaticannews.va/en](http://www.vaticannews.va/en))

Livestreamed Masses from your local Church

Mass for Shut-Ins – organized by our Provincial Spiritual Advisor, Fr. Patrick O’Neill. CTV @ 11 am, every Sunday

Year of St Joseph January 1, 202 to December 8, 2021 proclaimed by Pope Francis

Continue to contact CWL members, especially those who do not have computer access. Cards & letters never come amiss to those isolated through these last two unprecedented years in our lifetime.

**“Starting a dialogue often happens not through words but silence, by not insisting, by patiently beginning anew to listen to others, hearing about their struggles and what they carry inside. The healing of the heart begins with listening. Listening. This is what restores the heart.”**

*Pope Francis*