



# CWL October 2021 Newsletter

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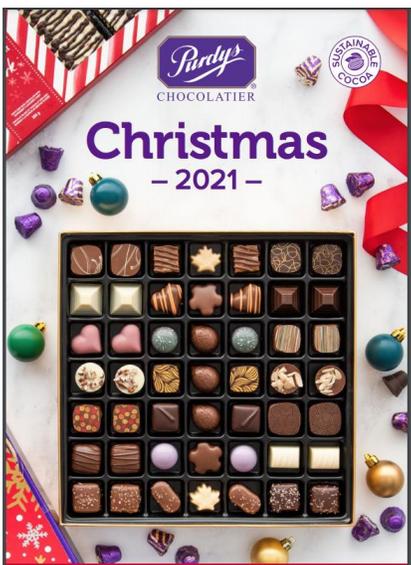
## Message from the Acting President

### Another COVID Thanksgiving

Alberta's chief medical officer, Dr. Deena Hinshaw, outlined the rules to follow to have a safe and healthy Thanksgiving. She asked that we follow the rules and stated, "your actions have never mattered more and they will make a difference". The same could be said about the Catholic Women's League, our actions matter and they do make a difference. The list of "actions" performed by CWL members would be too long to enumerate but they all matter. As we continue our action-based commitments, we need a strong membership. You have supported us during a difficult and different year and I encourage you to continue your support by renewing your membership. We will be commencing our 2022 membership drive soon. We are fortunate at St Charles to have a strong membership base, let's keep it up!

Yvette d'Entremont, Acting President

## Purdys 2021 Christmas Fundraiser



The sale is now on! Stock up on Christmas chocolate

**Closes:** Wednesday, November 17

**Pick up:** Saturday, December 4  
Between 9:00 am and 7:00pm  
15712-119 Street NW Edmonton

Click on the link below to place your order:

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/1314585-85088>

If you have any questions or require help to place an order, please call, text or email:

Katherine Tarras  
H: 780-488-5521 or C: 780-916-9728  
[katarras@shaw.ca](mailto:katarras@shaw.ca)

Thank you for your ongoing support!

## Christmas Charity – Sacred Heart Parish

This year, the St Charles Christmas Charity will be for Sacred Heart Church of the First Peoples. They are in need of the following items:

- socks (men and women)
- tuques (men and women)
- underwear (men and women)
- femail hygiene products
- leggings (women)
- long johns (men)
- face wipes
- hand warmers

All of the above items can be purchased at places like Dollarama.

**NO ITEMS FOR CHILDREN** - They already have a lot of items for children  
**NO GIFT CARDS**

Please drop off your items in the box, decorated for this cause, located in the church lobby.

**Thank you for your generosity!**

## Christmas Social



The pandemic restrictions mean that we have to rethink our social events. We managed a virtual June Social and we are pleased to say that we will be having a virtual Christmas Social!

Date: Tuesday, December 14

Time: 7 pm

Convener: Rita Pfefferle

## Upcoming Elections

January 2022 will see a new executive being voted in. The term of office is two years, however the present executive has done a third of service due to the pandemic. Thank you Executive members!! Yvette d'Entremont, the official Past President, is responsible for this and will be sending out the information and the nomination form by the first week of November. Remember, you don't need to be nominated... you can volunteer!

# Funeral Lunches

Thank you to all CWL members who responded to the three questions pertaining to funeral lunches. Your feedback is valuable as we move forward with funeral lunches.

Twenty members responded to the survey. The following is a summary of those responses. Note: not all participants responded to all questions.

1. Volunteer to work in the kitchen

YES: 5

NO: 15

2. Protocol when working in the kitchen

Only 10 participants responded to this question

- Fully vaccinated: 9
- Masks: 10
- Gloves: 9
- Food to be served by the volunteers or individually plated: 5

3. Charging a fee

Only 10 participants answered this question

YES: 5

NO: 5

There were a variety of comments on this issue. Those who responded “No” indicated that this was a service and not a business. Offered as a service allows the family to pay (a donation) according to their means. They felt that charging a specified fee would make this a business.

Those who responded “Yes” indicated a variety of possibilities:

- charging the grocery bill plus a donation
- charging the grocery bill plus \$5 per head
- charging a set fee of \$15/\$17 per head

4. Food donations

Only 10 participants responded to this question

YES: 3

NO: 7

The “No” respondents indicated that:

- all food should be prepared on site, even the baked goods
- no more baked goods from homes.
- baking should be done at the church or store bought

The “Yes” respondents indicated that donations could be:

- canned goods
- store bought baked goods
- jars of pickles
- bread
- no to donations of anything that needs to be refrigerated such as eggs, luncheon meats, cheese

Other comments:

- all food should be prepared in the kitchen under the supervision of a qualified person who has the Food Handler Certification Course
- two respondents indicated that they were ok with accepting baked goods from homes
- permitting donations is one way members can provide service as they may not be able to contribute in another manner

5. Recruiting volunteers from within the parish

Only 3 participants responded to this question. They were OK with recruiting volunteers from within the parish community. No one indicated that they were against this.



A committee will be struck in the near future to draw up a draft proposal to be reviewed by members. It has been indicated that it has been difficult to find volunteers before covid, so we must consider the question, "Should St Charles CWL continue offering this service?"

At the present time, although funeral receptions are prohibited, it is important to consider moving forward. In late August, Yvette surveyed a number of CWL councils to find out if and how they were doing funeral lunches. The answers were varied, some were not doing funeral lunches and others were.

Summary prepared by Yvette d'Entremont

## First Annual CWL Diocesan Book Project



For the past 25 years, CWL has celebrated catholic education with a poster/essay contest with the schools in the Archdiocese. The CWL wants to maintain the relationship with the schools by providing a resource to the school library. The book chosen for the First Annual Diocesan Book Project is *Everybody's Welcome* by Patricia Hegarty. The book is suitable for elementary schools.

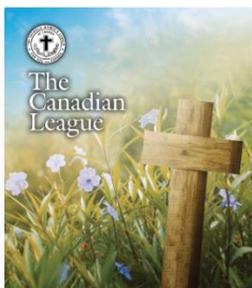
It is a tale of animals living together and helping one another. Children will learn how important it is to extend a generous hand to those in need, whether neighbors in crisis, a friend with a problem, or a family immigrating to a new country. It's a comforting story that will elicit useful conversations about kindness, charity, and empathy. The four elementary schools under the jurisdiction of St Charles Parish (St. Charles, St. Lucy, Bishop

Savaryn, Bishop Greschuk) have all expressed interest in receiving this book for their library. The books have been ordered and will be delivered to each school the first week of November.

## Mass of Remembrance

A Mass of Remembrance to support those who have lost loved ones this past year will be celebrated Friday, Nov. 5 at 7 pm. If you wish to attend you will have to sign up. There will be no hospitality after the mass.

## National League Magazine



The *League Magazine* is sent to each paid-up member three times per year. National is doing a pilot project not to distribute the Fall issue in hard copy format. The Fall issue will NOT be mailed to our homes. The Fall issue is now available on line. You can access it with this link:

<https://cwl.ca/the-canadian-league-fall-2021/>

# Prayer Shawls

Rose Hearn has collected 50 prayer shawls/blankets for the healing mass for disabilities at Mt. Carmel in January. Thank you to all the ladies who participated in the Prayer Shawl Ministry and helped make this donation possible.



# BYOB Club



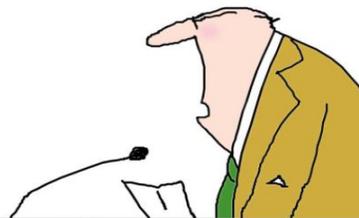
The virtual *Bring your own Book Club* will meet again on the last Thursday of November. Everyone is welcome to join in to discuss your favorite books and recommendations.

# Laughter is Good for the Soul

## HONEST JON

by Jon Clark

Remember, brothers and sisters, next Sunday we turn our clocks back for Daylight Saving Time— which will give some of you an extra hour to be late for church again...



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# Everyday Heroes in our Archdiocese

## ANNET MAITWE

The Archdiocese has put forward a request for stories about everyday heroes in our diocese. The list would be very long if we named every person who has helped church/community/family/friends during the last 19 months and who continue to do so. However, one name was chosen and her story was submitted to the Archdiocese, Annet Maitwe. These stories will be used to create a virtual book on the Archdiocesan website. We will let you know when this becomes available. In the meantime, here is what was submitted:

St Charles CWL is honoured to have Annet Maitwe as one of our members. Annet and her husband Patrick founded AIM (Ann Integrated Modern) School in Uganda out of concern for the development and growth of children in Uganda. Through no fault of their own, many children face a high dropout rate, poor academic performance and the general lack of clear goals in schools in the country. The members of St Charles CWL help Annet either raise funds to buy necessities for the school or provide donations. Before covid, the members made 117 sundresses and during covid they made 148 more for a total of 265 sundresses, which Annet brought to Uganda. The members also made 180 tote bags. Shorts for the boys and panties for the girls were also donated. Last year the school was in need of masks ... so once again CWL members stepped up to the plate and made 260 masks, which Annet personally delivered to the school in Uganda. Annet travels back and forth between Canada and Uganda to do what she can to help the staff and students of the school. Annet herself is in education and teaches at Norquest College. We are proud to have Annet as a member of our council.



**Submitted by**  
**Yvette d'Entremont**  
**Acting President**  
**St. Charles CWL**

# AUTHOR IN OUR MIDST

If you are looking for ideas for a Christmas gift for children, consider supporting the AIMS School by purchasing the book “Jack the Elephant & Jake the Rat” written by by own Annet Maitwe. Online ordering is available (see below).



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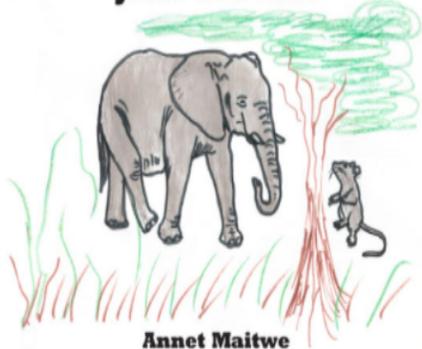
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## Jack the Elephant and Jake the Rat



Annnet Maitwe

**Jack the Elephant and Jake the Rat**

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**\$12.00**

*Jack the Elephant and Jake the Rat* by Annet Maitwe is based upon the popular African folktale that promotes love, respect, and friendship.

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### ABOUT JACK THE ELEPHANT AND JAKE THE RAT BY ANNET MAITWE

One of the folktales that was told by our grandparents when we gathered around the fire. Treat your friends the way you would like to be treated.

### ABOUT AIM SCHOOL

Ann Integrated Modern (AIMS) School was started by Annet and Patrick Maitwe in the memory of their daughter, Patience, who passed away at the age of 17. At AIM School, the children are educated and nurtured in a safe learning environment; equipped with knowledge and skills for independent living. Although *Jack the Elephant and Jake the Rat* was written to promote literacy among children, the message portrayed is “respect and love for each other.”

*All the proceeds from this book will go to the AIM School.*

# ST. CHARLES CWL PRAYER LIST

## *October 2021*

Please pray for seminarian Martin Kaguima on his journey to respond to God's call.  
Please pray for our CWL members and our Council.

### **For those who are sick and all who look after them:**

Mary Ziska  
Larry Belanger (husband of Norma Belanger)  
Jacqueline Cuerrier  
Marlene Schmidt  
Margaret Gartner (sister of Rose Potter)  
Marie Phillips  
Rafael Martel (grandson of Kathy Martel)  
Cathy Jacobs (niece of Bev Jensen)  
Hope Maitwe (daughter of Annet Maitwe)  
Melissa Cuerrier (daughter of Jacqueline Cuerrier)  
Julie McMillan  
Lynn Cristini  
Dorothy Woods  
Gladys Marciniw

### **For those who have died and all who mourn them:**

Colleen Fitzpatrick (daughter-in-law of Myrla Fitzpatrick)  
Emma Wigelsworth (granddaughter of Janice Grabow)  
Nellie Grandish  
Leo Landreville (brother of Norma Belanger)  
Patrick Maitwe (husband of Annet Maitwe)

If you wish to have a loved one's name added to the CWL Prayer List  
Please email: Janice Albiston [janicealbiston@gmail.com](mailto:janicealbiston@gmail.com)

