



CWL November 2022 Newsletter

Message from the President

“Happy 110th anniversary to all our members.” Our League began in Alberta and continues to be filled with Faith, Service and Social Justice.

I am so proud of our CWL members, especially our committee for the Bazaar. They make us proud with building community and presenting a beautifully organized event. All of us were glad to see each other and have fun too. This year we had a wonderful representation of young people who volunteered to help us. Thank you.

Our speaker Candida Shepard’s talk on “Land Acknowledgment” is now on the Diocesan website, which I hope you have all tried to have a look at. Candida’s talk is on UTube. Thanks to Renee Bissell who transformed Candida’s talk into a digital version.

Kathy Martel, Janice Grabow and Monica Murnane represented us for the Mass of Remembrance. Thank you for supporting the parish and families who have lost a loved one.

I hope to see you all at the Christmas social.

If you need to reach me, please call my cell phone at **(780) 916-2414**.

Rita Pfefferle, President

Thinking of You Bouquet

We are collecting notes of good wishes for a “Thinking of You” bouquet of cards and notes for Father JD who is currently having some health issues.

Please drop off your cards/notes in the CWL mailbox by **December 12th** so they can be forwarded on to Father JD prior to Christmas.





Mark Your Calendars!

Ladies, you are all invited to the 2022 Christmas Social which will be held in the Activity Centre on **Tuesday, December 20, 2022 at 6:30 pm.**

We are organizing a Potluck supper with entertainment and door prizes. The tickets are **FREE when you bring a main dish, salad or dessert (serving 6 to 8 people).** Please bring a serving utensil and a list of ingredients (or recipe) of your dish to assist those with dietary concern. Guests are also free - consider bringing someone who might be interested in joining our CWL

In lieu of gifts to one another, we will be having a “Sharing Tree” where we will be collecting gift cards for St. Vincent de Paul Society. Gift cards should be from grocery stores, or from other stores such as Walmart or Dollarama. Please indicate the amount on the card. For those who wish, there will also be a box for cash donations.



The St. Charles CWL Fall Bazaar was held on October 29, 2022. The event was well attended and we received a net income (after expenses) of \$5,532.33. Attendees were greeted in the foyer by CWL Members where they had the opportunity to renew/purchase a CWL 2023 Membership as well as enter a door prize draw, and purchase tickets for a delicious lunch. The CWL bake table was also located in the foyer. A variety of baked items included pies, cookies, squares, dinner rolls, candy, caramel popcorn as well preserves were available for sale.

The lunch tables were located in the activity center where 133 full meals were served as well as individual soup, sandwiches or desserts plus beverage. The CWL Multi Raffle table as well as the CWL Craft table were located in the Activity Center along with 14 different outside Vendors.

We received a lot of positive feedback as well as recommendations to make future years even more successful.

Thank you to all the CWL Bazaar Convenors for their dedication and hard work in organizing and preparing for this day.

A big thanks to both men and women, CWL Members and Non CWL members, young adults from various schools who all came together to Volunteer and make the day enjoyable and successful.

Thank you to all who donated not only their time, but items for the multi raffle, craft tables, baking. All this, is what makes this special fund raiser possible.

Irene Midgley, Bazaar Convener



**To Newcastle Sobeys
16943 - 127 Street
For their donation of reusable grocery
bags.**

Multi-Raffle Winners

Gourmet Gift Basket -	Tim Tam
Oiler Tickets -	A Mangieri
Tim Horton Gift Card -	Tessie Cruz
Special Mix Basket -	Julie M
Manicure Gift Certificate -	Stephen
Manicure Gift Certificate -	David Mc Bride
Green Crocheted Afghan -	Rose Hearn
Wine & Cheese -	Lynn Kachuk
Olive/Cream Afghan -	Rose Hearn
Stain Glass Angel -	Genny Castiday
Poppy Bag & Pin -	Jane Bourque
Tea Basket -	Rita Vos
Avon Basket -	Grace Samycia
Ring Toss Set -	Diane Nolette
Popsicle Kit -	Annalyn Prefontain
Bath Fun Basket -	Duncan Martel
Crayola Tracing Pad -	Edwin Reina
Coloring Package -	Simon Dubuc
Thanksgiving Package -	Rob Hempel
The KEG Gift Card -	Simon Dubuc
Taco Time Basket -	Lori Oneill
Nuts 4 You Basket -	Barb Epp
Game Package -	Carla Samelo
Kids Basket -	Jilma Castuneda
Welcome Sign -	Mary Leuwer
Alcoholic Drink Mix -	Reda Menon

IT'S MEMBERSHIP DRIVE TIME!!

The leaves have fallen off the trees and the smell of pumpkin spice is in the air. That must mean **it's November & therefore, the start of our annual CWL membership drive.** I hope everyone will be renewing your membership for 2023, but moreover, I would like to challenge each of you to invite a family member or friend (or both) to join our league as well. As renewing members, we all appreciate the benefits of being part of such a strong, united group of Catholic women:

- We build friendships with other sisters of the league, feeling their support in our times of need and being there for others in theirs.
- We unite and celebrate our faith through the many social activities we partake in
- We have a comradery in our Faith
- We take on Social Justice issues
- We have ample opportunities to make our parish, our community and our world a better place though the connections we've made.
- ...to name a few

Note that **our fee has gone up to \$40**, following a discussion, motion and vote at our October general meeting. More information regarding the need for the increase can be found in a communique from CWL National (see online document <https://cwl/ca/communique-5-secretary-treasurer/> for details on the National increase, that in turn required our local increase).

Please keep in mind, you are more than welcome to purchase a membership for a fellow sister of the league; either in whole or in part. Like everything we do from our hearts, a membership would make a lovely gift.

Dues can be paid a number of different ways:

- Mail to organization convenor Bea Spatafora at 14407 130 St, Edmonton, AB T6V 1E2 *
- Drop envelope in the offertory basket at mass, or leave at the parish office*
- E-transfer fees to bspat@shaw.ca
- Bring cash/cheque to a general meeting to CWL social event (such as the bazaar)

*please do not send cash through the mail & be sure to include your name, address & phone # with your remittance. Thanks,

Bea Spatafora
Organization Convenor



MEMBERSHIP



Family Day

Our CWL will again be supporting the Knights of Columbus for the Family Day Fun Day event scheduled for **Monday, February 20th, 2023**. We will be serving hotdogs, ice cream and hot chocolate to the families attending. If you can help in the kitchen, please contact Rose Hearn at KHearn@live.com

By Popular Request Carrot Ginger Soup

1 to 2 Onions, diced	2 Litres Chicken Stock
10 Large Carrots, grated or chopped	1 Cup Whipping Cream (Optional)
10 to 15 grams Ginger Root, copped	Flour/Butter (Rue) (Optional)
Butter	Salt & Pepper
5 Cloves of Garlic, mashed	

Melt Butter in a 4 quart sauce pan over medium high heat. Add onions, carrots and ginger. Cook, stirring often, until caramelized. Add garlic, salt and pepper to taste and stir for a minute more. Add chicken stock and bring to a boil, then reduce heat; simmer for 10 minutes. Remove from heat and place into a blender a little at a time (caution – start slow and work up to puree) or use a hand blender. Puree the mixture and return to the sauce pan.

Optional Step – CWL did not add cream or make the rue.

With soup on low heat, add cream and thicken with a sautéed flour/butter mixture (rue). Adjust seasonings to taste.

Laughter is Good for the Soul



It was the Sunday after Christmas at St Peter and Saint Paul's Church in Borden, Kent, England. Father John was looking at the nativity scene prior to packing away the figures when he noticed the baby Jesus was missing from the scene.

Immediately, Father John turned towards the vicarage in order to call the police. But as he was about to do so, he saw little Harry with a red wagon, and in the wagon was the figure of the little infant, Jesus.

Father John walked up to Harry and said, 'Well, Harry, where did you get the little infant?' Harry replied honestly, 'I took him from the church, Father John.'

"And why did you take him?"

With a sheepish smile, Harry said, 'Well, about a week before Christmas I prayed to little Lord Jesus. I told him if he would bring me a red wagon for Christmas, I would give him a ride around the block in it.'



CWL Virtual Book Club Readings

1. ***The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo*** (Taylor Jenkins Reid)

Aging and reclusive Hollywood movie icon Evelyn Hugo, is finally ready to tell the truth about her glamorous and scandalous life.

2. ***Daisy Jones and the Six*** (Taylor Jenkins Reid)

A historical fiction book which follows the band, The Six, and Daisy, as they find each other, their spectacular rise, and the end.

3. ***Carrie Soto is Back*** (Taylor Jenkins Reid)

A novel about the cost of greatness, a legendary athlete attempts a comeback when the world considers her past her prime.

4. ***The Tenth Nerve*** (Dr. Chris Honey)

A rare window into the world of a neurosurgeon and seven exceptional patients that made him a better person.

5. ***Laughing all the Way to the Mosque*** (Zarqa Nawaz)

It chronicles Nawaz's own misadventures inside her community. A humorous look at the life of a Canadian Muslim woman.

6. ***Bluebird*** (Genevieve Graham)

A novel set during the Great War and postwar prohibition about a young nurse, a soldier, and a family secret that binds them together.

7. ***Sins of the Mother*** (Irene Kelly)

A heartbreaking story of a woman's struggle to escape her past and the price her family paid. A powerful and inspiring story of a family whose love was tested but never broken.

8. ***The Time Traveler's Wife*** (Audrey Niffenegger)

It is a love story about a man with a genetic disorder that causes him to time travel. It depicts the effects of time travel on the Henry and Clare's marriage and how their passionate love for each other allows them to cope with the effects of time travel.

9. ***Emma*** (Jane Austen)

The novel centers on Emma Woodhouse, a precocious young woman whose misplaced confidence in her matchmaking abilities triggers several romantic misadventures.

10. ***Intolerable: A Memoir of Extremes*** (Kamal Al-Solaylee)

A memoir of an Arab family caught in the turmoil of Middle Eastern politics and takes place over 35 years, five countries, three continents, and considerable social upheaval. It details the author's life experiences in the Middle East from the 1960's all the way to his life in Canada.

NEXT BOOK CLUB MEETING: Thursday, November 24 – 7 pm (via zoom)

Last meeting before Christmas!!

Yvette d'Entremont

Merry Christmas From The St. Charles CWL Executive



A Christmas Prayer for Peace

Holy Spirit,
you watch so lovingly over all the earth,
waiting for us to open our hearts
to your gift of Christmas peace.
We need your peace, Holy Spirit,
and our wounded world
needs your healing presence.

Only you can give us
the true and lasting peace
promised by our Savior, Jesus Christ,
the Prince of Peace.

Come to us, Blessed Creator,
surround us with Your love
this Christmas Season
and bless all nations with Your peace.

Amen.

ST. CHARLES CWL PRAYER LIST

November 2022

Please pray for seminarian Benjamin Wilkins on his journey to respond to God's call.

Please pray for our CWL members and our Council.

Prayers for peace in the Ukraine & Prayers for nurses, LPNs, and all health workers

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

Mary Ziska
Larry Belanger (husband of Norma Belanger)
Jacqueline Cuerrier
Marlene Schmidt
Margaret & Peter Gartner (siblings of Rose Potter)
Marie Phillips
Rafael Martel (grandson of Kathy Martel)
Hope Maitwe (daughter of Annet Maitwe)
Melissa Cuerrier (daughter of Jacqueline Cuerrier)
Lynn Cristini
Evelyn Radostits
Georgie Alexander (sister of Kathy Martel)
Sandy Bergin
Liesse Saldanha
Marie Strauss (Kathleen Oswald's sister)
Claire Kawulok
Gemma Roque
Mark Pagtakham (Gemma's nephew)
Lily Webb
Mylene Malaca (sister of parishioner Arlene Reyes)
Jim Fitzpatrick (Myrla's husband and Bea Spatafora's father)
Annet Maitwe and AIM school
George Pouliot
Flavia Esposito

For those who have died and all who mourn them:

Julie McMillan
Dianne Richards
Dorothy Woods (friend of Audrey Waseylecho)
Eva Dolinski
Erlinda (Linda) Furigay
Stan Novak (Cecylia Novak's son)

If you wish to have a loved one's name added to the CWL Prayer List

Please email: Kathy Martel at kathymartel780@yahoo.ca

