



ST. CHARLES CWL NEWSLETTER

June 2023

Mission Statement

The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls its members to grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service.

Faith

Service

Social
Justice

From The President's Desk

Our June social, the last event of the season was held on June 20th. It was great fun, lots of visiting and laughing. Our Seminarian Ben Wilkins came out to see us again. He has finished his first year and will now be assisting at St. Joseph's Basilica. He expressed appreciation for his gifts and prayers. Some of our ladies dressed up spectacularly for the Downton Abby theme which made the night feel festive. We have 2 new members and gave out pins to celebrate the years of service to other members. A big "Thank You" to Yvette d'Entremont who convened the Social. The Executive and our members appreciate her efforts in organizing another successful event for all to enjoy!

May you all enjoy a wonderful, safe summer. Looking forward to seeing you all in September, many blessings. If you need to reach me, please call my cell phone at **(780) 916-2414**.

Rita Pfefferle, President

Faith

Revel in Summer

Dear God,
Let us revel in summer.
Let us soak up the long days and warm sun.
May our feet walk on sandy beaches and our heads rest on thick grass under blue skies.
May we listen to and marvel at the singing of the birds and stop to watch blissful children at play.
This summer, God, may our breathing slow and our hearts open.
God help us to be present to all that is so that we might best see all that might be.



Written and offered by David Johnson

Thank You! Bake Sale & Carmelite Nuns Craft Sales

If you bake it, they will buy! Thank you ladies for all your baking contributions for the bake sale held on June 10th/11th. Profits were approximately \$1200.00 which will cover the cost of the landscaping around the C.W.L 40th Anniversary commemorative tree which was planted last year.

Sales of crafts and donations for the Carmelite Nuns totaled \$724.00 which was greatly appreciated.



Fall Bazaar Reminder!

The Fall Bazaar is scheduled for **Saturday, October 21st, 2023**. We are currently organizing our Fall Bazaar Committee. We are still working towards getting Convenors for the following areas:

Advertising Multi Raffle

Perhaps if you know of someone who would co-convene, please consider working together. Please note - if you so kindly agree to take on a role, there are binders for each convenor with notes and instructions as well as many wonderful ladies available to mentor and answer any questions you may have.

Please keep in mind, we welcome all donations and will be looking for the following items: --

- **Homemade preserves, jams, jellies, pickles, salsa, etc.**
- **Crafts for our craft table – knitting, crocheted items, sewn items, kitchen towels, scrubbies, etc.**
- **Donations towards the multi raffle table**
- **Donations for the CWL Gourmet basket which will be raffled off (non-perishable items such as canned nuts, chocolates, specialty canned items, wine)**
- **Apples or berries for pies and crisps**
- **Baking of kinds – bread, buns, loaves, cakes, pies, squares, cookies, fudge & other homemade treats**

An announcement will be made in the church bulletin the beginning of September with further details, baking bee dates etc. In order to make this a successful event, as it is our largest fund raiser of the year, we will be requesting our member's help from time to time. Your help, time and generosity is greatly appreciated.

If you wish to offer your help as a convenor or have any questions, please feel free to call **Irene Midgley @ 780-984-9229** or email **@irenemidgley@yahoo.com**

June Social - June 20th

The CWL June Social was a success! The Downton Abbey theme was a hit! Thank you to the forty-four members and guests who attended. The event consisted of a delicious meal catered by Ann Zvonkovic and her team at Thyme to Celebrate Catering, a couple of games, door prizes, musical entertainment by Meredith Zhang (a student at Victoria School of the Arts), and the presentation of pins. The yearly pins were presented as well as a Maple Leaf Service pin (see list below).

Two new members were introduced: Kim Guanlao and Toni Costello. Thank you to all members for your dedication to the League. Your support is essential to the services we provide.

Yvette d'Entremont
June Social Convener

2023 Service Pins Awards

Audrey Waseylenko	60 Years
Connie McBride	50 Years
Linda Binassi	45 Years
Cora Trompetter	35 Years
Phyllis da Costa	30 Years
Janice Grabow	30 Years
Rose Potter	30 Years
Connie Comeault	20 Years
Lynn Cristini	20 Years
Irene Midgley	20 Years
Cecylia Novak	20 Years
Anne-Marie Paquin	20 Years
Celestine Hagan	10 Years
Mary Lily Webb	10 Years
Yvette d'Entremont	Maple Leaf Service Pin







**60 Year Pin Recipient
Audrey Waseylenko**



**50 year Pin Recipient
Connie McBride**



New Members
Toni Costello & Kim Guanlao



Meredith Zhang, Student
Victoria School of the Arts

Sharing the Words **From Our National Sisterhood Map**

CONNECTION

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My Catholic Women's League council is parish-based yet connected to Canada's largest women's organization. How connected are you? You will meet women from your region, diocese, province and country by becoming involved in your parish Catholic Women's League council! Your place is among us!

COURAGE

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If you only knew the courage of Catholic Women's League members. In the 1920s, Winnifred Fulton travelled by horseback to start more than 30 councils. Today we continue to carry the message of faith, service and social justice to women across Canada and internationally. Pack your courage! Your place is among us.

Funeral Lunches

Our ladies are taking a well-deserved break and will not be catering funeral lunches over the summer. Funeral lunches will be available again after the long weekend in September.

Any members who are interested in becoming a volunteer for the Funeral Lunch Committee may contact Rose Hearn at 780-915-0166 or email her at khearn@live.com.

Laughter is Good for the Soul

A customer rolled up the rim on his Tim Hortons coffee. He stared in disbelief for a moment, then started yelling, "I've won a motor home! I've won a motor home!" A woman working at the counter said, "That's impossible. The biggest prize is a car." "No, it says right here," he said, handing the cup to the employee: "W I N A B A G E L!"



Too Many Tomatoes?

Balsamic Bruschetta



Bruschetta is a classic Italian appetizer that is easy to make at home. Toasted bread is topped with tomatoes, Parmesan cheese, garlic, and fresh basil. Use a high-quality balsamic vinegar for best results.

Prep Time: 15 mins **Cook Time:** 5 mins **Total Time:** 20 mins

Ingredients

- 1 loaf French bread, cut into 1/4-inch slices
- 8 roma (plum) tomatoes, diced
- 1 ounce Parmesan cheese, freshly grated
- 1 tablespoon good quality balsamic vinegar
- 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
- 1/3 cup chopped fresh basil
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 teaspoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

Directions

1. Gather all ingredients. Preheat oven to 400 degrees F (200 degrees C).
2. Brush bread slices on both sides lightly with 1 tablespoon oil and place on large baking sheet. Toast bread until golden, 5 to 10 minutes, turning halfway through.
3. Meanwhile, toss together tomatoes, basil, Parmesan cheese, and garlic in a bowl.
4. Mix in balsamic vinegar, 2 teaspoons olive oil, kosher salt, and pepper.
5. Spoon tomato mixture onto toasted bread slices. Serve immediately and enjoy!

Important Dates

Tuesday, September 19th
Thursday, October 19th
Friday, October 20th
Saturday, October 21st
Tuesday, December 12

General Meeting
Bazaar Prep & Set-up
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Fall Tea & Bazaar
Christmas Social



QUICK LINKS

National Website: www.cwl.ca
Provincial Council Website: www.cwl.ab.ca
Diocesan Council: www.edmontoncwl.org

ST. CHARLES CWL PRAYER LIST

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*Please pray for our CWL members and our Council
and for seminarian Ben Wilkins on his journey to respond to God's call*

Prayers for peace in the Ukraine

Prayers for doctors, nurses, LPNs, and all health workers

Prayers for Pope Francis

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

Georgie Alexander (sister of Kathy Martel)

Larry Belanger (husband of Norma Belanger)

Margaret Bernard

Father J.D. Carmichael

Jacqueline Cuerrier

Melissa Cuerrier (daughter of Jacqueline Cuerrier)

Margaret, Mary & Peter Gartner (siblings of Rose Potter)

Matt Klassen (Lynn Cristini's grandson)

Annet Maitwe and AIM school

Hope Maitwe & baby Ryder (daughter of Annet Maitwe)

Rafael Martel (grandson of Kathy Martel)

Marie Phillips

Evelyn Radostits

Liese Saldanha

Agnes Sam

Marlene Schmidt

Bea Spatafora

Marie Strauss (Kathleen Oswald's sister)

Faye Tkachuk

Lily Webb

Mary Ziska

Celine deVries-Stadler (Marie-Paul Petersen's daughter)

Bernard Bouma (brother of Katherine Tarras)

Stella Kachmar

For those who have died and all who mourn them:

Sister Tarcienne Meunier, fj (sister of Olive Byer)

John Bucci (husband of Simone Bucci)

Dianne Vrapcenak (sister of Mary Ziska)

Noella Biollo (Evelyn Radostits' daughter)

*Please contact **Kathy Martel** at 780-456-0760 or Kmartel780@gmail.com to add names.*

