



The Catholic Women's League of Canada

CORPUS CHRISTI CWL COUNCIL

President: Sandra Henderson

Spiritual Advisor: Fr. Pat

National Theme: Here I am Lord, Send Me.

Provincial Theme: Joyfully Serving the Lord.

Diocesan Theme: Renewing God's Fire Within Us.

CWL REGULAR MEETING Minutes– Feb 14th, 2024.

PRAYER:

We humbly pray you, O God our Father, to bless the Catholic Women's League of Canada. Bless our beloved country, our homes and families. Send your Holy Spirit upon us to give light to our minds and strength to our wills that we may know and fulfill your great law charity. Teach us to share with others, at home and abroad, the good things you have given us. This we ask, through our Lord Jesus Christ and the intercession of our patroness, Our Lady of Good Counsel. AMEN

Prayer to Our Lady of Good Council: God of heavenly wisdom, you have given us Mary, Mother of Jesus, to be our guide and counselor. Grant that we may always seek her motherly help in this life and so enjoy her blessed presence in the life to come. Amen.

Welcome: Sandy Henderson - Great Peace have those who love God's law; nothing can make them stumble. Sandy said this is like the CWL.



Spiritual Reflection: Flo Wood – Ways to fast by Pope Francis. Hail Mary said for Ron Merkel.

Correspondence & Communication: Ann Antonishen.

World Day of Prayer – Faith Lutheran Church March 1, 2024, at 1pm. (hand out)

Treasurer's Report – Marie Federico – Balance of \$11,206.38. Didn't have all the stew fest and funeral expenses. Will have a complete financial statement for the March 13th meeting. Funds will be required to cover cost of kitchen renovations as well as membership fees be paid to National.

Service (Health & Education) –Betty Bosley gave an overview of her involvement in stamp collection. Stamps and postcards are collected by Betty and sent to the friars. The friars sell these to the stamp collectors and use the money for missionary work all over the world, i.e. missions for mountain people in the Philippines, school support in Rwanda. In India there are nuns that provide food for the mentally challenged. So bring your stamps and postcards to continue to support this charity.

Membership/Council Report - Marg Ward reported there are 91 members paid to date. Happy Birthday was sung to all members celebrating birthdays/anniversaries in Feb.

Vice President Report – Paulette Wolfe- no report as still enjoying margaritas in Mexico.

Historian Report: Elaine Senger/Evelyn Vielvoye – 32 members present at meeting today.

Social justice Report: Gloria Chopik – Bill S-210 (Protection of children from accessing pornography Petition had 3 pages of signatures sent to gov't. Bill C-314 MAID for those suffering from mental illness has been delayed but she will continue to monitor any developments going forward.

Past President Report: Caroline Ann-Alter - **National Campaign** called One to One. This campaign is initiated by our National Vice President – Betty Colaneri with the logo “We are the “1” called by name and chosen by God”. To the world you may be *one* person; but to *one* person you may be the world. The national exec is inviting all parishes to grow with it.

Janet O’Flynn suggested we start a Prayer Group for people in our community that need prayers. Caroline said that she is the Life Member Liaison for the diocese and her role is to include anyone needing prayers into that prayer chain and have the whole diocese in prayer.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ICC Retreat – April 13th 9am (opening Mass) to 4 pm. Cost is \$40.00 per person includes lunch and 2 coffee breaks. Registration deadline is April 1st.

Guest speakers – Christine Mason & Nancy Simms. Program is called God’s Unfinished Works of Art. The decision with regards to CWL paying portion of registration cost will take place at the March 13th mtg.

The 88th Diocesan Convention will be hosted by Summerland May 2-5th, 2024. Caroline has Registration Forms, agenda, and hotel information.

Coffee and snacks for Regular Meetings. Those celebrating birthdays in the month will provide snacks and make coffee. Sandy & Marie will do March. Ann A and Caroline will do April. Sandy drew up a chart and several members signed it, and copies are available.

NEW BUSINESS:

Immaculata School for donation of \$100.00 to provide a meal for the students and staff participating in the Alpha program. All those in Favor: majority of members. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.

Father Pat joined the meeting to suggest that next year we have a Shrove Tuesday pancake meal with the works as this may attract more people to attend to raise more funds.

Stainless-steel kitchen countertops. Ann Bannick presented the quote (\$8,966.72) for the stainless-steel kitchen countertops. Ann B made the motion that renos move forward in the July/Aug timeframe. Dorothy Anderson 2nd the motion. All those in favor: majority of members Opposed: 0. Motion carried.

OTHER ITEM/S of Interest:

Next Executive Meeting – March 6th, 2024

Next Regular Meeting – March 13th, 2024.

Motion to adjourn today’s meeting – Ann Antonishen. Motion 2nd by Caroline Ann-Alter. The meeting adjourned at 11:25 am with the following prayer. A valentine lunch was provided.

CLOSING PRAYER:

My Queen, my Mother, I give myself entirely to you and to show my devotion to you I consecrate to you this day my mind, my heart, my whole being, without reserve. Wherefore good Mother as I am yours, keep me, guard me as your property and possession. AMEN

Secretary, Ann Antonishen

Date signed.

President, Sandra Henderson

Date signed.