



London Diocesan Council  
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The Catholic Women's League of Canada

One Heart, One Voice, One Mission

To: All Parish Presidents, Organization Chairpersons

CC: London Diocesan Council

From: Angela Pellerin, President-Elect/London Diocesan Chairperson, Organization

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Directive #6

*“for whoever enters God’s rest also ceases from his labors as God did from his”* Hebrews 4:10

It was so good to see so many of you at convention this year in London. I trust you went back to your parishes and shared the experience with your members who could not attend. One of the highlights for me was sitting between the national and provincial presidents – I learnt a lot from them, particularly on the resolution process.

We are coming up to the summer break, a time to rest and become reenergized – a Sabbath time. I have been reading “Sabbath Moments” by Adolfo Quezada and am thoroughly enjoying it. We all need to take Sabbath moments.

**Membership** – National Organization Chairperson, Margaret Ann Jacobs reports that for 2014 the League received 97.6% of the budgeted goal of paid memberships of 89,089, falling short by 2,103. She indicates it would “be wonderful during this year dedicated to consecrated life to urge parish councils to pay the fees for members who belong to religious orders”. Does your council do this? September will be here before you know it. Have you started planning your membership drive for the coming fall?

**Leadership** – Have your members attended a Catch the Fire Workshop or a S’mores workshop? We are offering both and are anxious to bring this training to your councils. Our teams are ready and willing so please let us know when you would like us to visit and bring our knowledge to you. These programs will deepen the faith, broaden the knowledge and lead the members to encounter Jesus with *One Heart, One Voice, One Mission*.

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**Service pins** – National has increased the number of presentation pins. They will soon be available (including 10 year) from 20 years of service in five year increments up to 75 years. Recognition is essential to empower women to reach their full potential. Record the awards presented in your council minutes for future reference.

I am looking forward to attending the provincial convention in Niagara Falls this July and would love to see some of you there, helping us with the invitation to Stratford in 2016. I am also looking forward to spending a few days visiting family in Kelowna following the national convention in Vancouver. If you have never attended a provincial or national convention, you should try to do so – it is a great opportunity to meet your sisters from across the country for faith, fun and fulfillment.

May you have a peaceful, restful and safe summer.

May Our Lady of Good Counsel continue to bless you in all you do.

*Angela*