

CWL

St. Catharines Diocese

Sunday, October 1, 2023 CWL Catholic Connections National CWL: cwl.ca ON Provincial CWL: cwl.on.ca St. Catharines CWL: stcatharinescwl.ca



CWL President's Message



October is a reminder to be thankful. Thankful for the change of season, the fall harvests, and celebrating Thanksgiving with family and friends. We should also be thankful to our wonderful League that provides so much care and concern for the

community. Each member and parish contribute so much help, to so many different groups in need. Take the time to thank yourself and those in the League for their continued contribution to reach out and generously give their time, talents, and donations. God Bless you for all that you do. Lisa Fillingham, St. Catharines CWL Diocesan President

Messages From Deedee Alexandre:

Quote for the Month:

Let nothing disturb you, Let nothing frighten you, All things are passing away: God never changes. Patience obtains all things Whoever has God lacks nothing; God alone suffices.

St. Teresa of Avila-feast day: Oct. 15

Dear CWL Council Presidents!

There is so much in this month's Catholic Connections for you to share with your Council members. So much! This is a great time of the year to make sure your members' emails are up to date.

The "Happy New Year / Meet and Greet" Planning Committee would like to thank all those who attended on Friday, September 8 for the Bishop's blessing and dinner at St. John's Ukrainian Church. You will find some photos in this edition and some **more photos** can be found on the **CWL website**: **stcatharinescwl.ca** Have fun looking! Keep your tiaras and crowns for next year!!! Friday, September6, 2024, will be the Second Annual Meet and Greet! Cost:\$25.00 each.

Now that we've dipped our toes into the new CWL year, it is time to remember to submit any articles/photos to me by the **25**th of the month to be included in the Catholic Connections.

Wednesday, October 25: Mass for the Deceased—please submit your completed form to Joanne VanderLaan.

Wednesday, November 1 at 10 a.m., is the next CWL Diocesan Meeting—on Zoom.

Thank you! Deedee

Bishop Bergie's Blessing:

Prayer for Blessing the Catholic Women's League of Canada

Lord Jesus, we pray for your blessing upon the Catholic Women's League of Canada. Thank you for the many gifts you have given women of the Church.

We are grateful for the many parishes of our beautiful diocese, where Catholic women gather together in prayer and service.

Help members to share their gifts in service to the League, Church, and world.

Teach them to be kind to one another.

Help them to listen to Your Word. Lead them to act justly and walk humbly with you. Give them brave voices to speak out and support the work of the Church. Sustain them by encouraging and welcoming more Catholic women to

join the League.

Grant the Catholic Women's League of Canada unity and peace. When each member's earthly journey has ended, welcome them into your heavenly Kingdom, where they will live with you and all the angels and saints, forever and ever.

Amen.