



ONTARIO PROVINCIAL COUNCIL
of
The Catholic Women's League of Canada



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TO: All Diocesan Treasurers
FROM: Marie-Theresa Lamphier, Ontario Provincial Treasurer
CC: All OPC Executive, Diocesan Presidents, National Secretary-Treasurer, and Archbishop Terrance Prendergast

Directive # 2

Happy Fall Season Everyone!

Hope you are enjoying these beautiful fall colours and the cooler temperatures! I know some of you have experienced snow, but I am not quite ready for that.

With the Fall Season, comes the "Fall Mailing" from National...memos from all the different chairpersons. If you haven't received yours yet, please contact national office by email.

Liability Insurance Premiums: Janet McLean, National secretary-treasurer, mentions that the premiums for insurance will be collected directly from parish councils, in addition to your capita fees. Note that the enrollment in the parish liability insurance program is mandatory. Our Provincial President has also sent out a directive that gives further details. A copy of the new insurance policy will be distributed in the spring and until then, the current policy will be in effect.

Memberships: As many membership fees as possible should be collected before year end. We ask you to send these in a timely basis as some councils depend on the per capita fees to meet their obligations. All of us are instrumental in encouraging non-members to join. Be encouraging, be happy, be welcoming, be supportive and friendly! Be a walking testament of all that The League embodies. You never know how many people may be influenced by your actions!

Bernard Bishop F. Pappin Bursary Fund: I have received several requests as to who or where to send your donations. Donations should come to me with the cheque made payable to the Ontario Provincial Council of the Catholic Women's League. You should note Bishop Bernard F. Pappin Bursary in the memo line. I have attached the Member Contribution Sheet that gives a little bit more info on Bishop Pappin. Please promote donations to this fund to assist our seminarians and encourage more young men to the priesthood.

Annual reports: It is that time of the year again where annual reports are requested. Diocesan Treasurers, please encourage the parish treasurers to complete the survey on line. This information is important to all of us as we see all the generous donations, whatever amount, to the different charities Collectively, even the smallest donation makes a difference!

In addition to the on-line survey please encourage parish councils to complete the "Treasurer's Annual Report" form. I have enclosed "Parish Treasurer's Annual Report" form to be completed. Ensure that your information is included at the bottom of the form. These reports should be completed by January 15th at the latest. If completing manually they should be completed by December 15th.

Diocesan reports can be sent to me at: mtlamphier@gmail.com. (Form attached) I usually acknowledge receipt...so if you don't get confirmation from me, maybe something went wrong.

Budgets: Treasurers should be thinking about the new budget for 2020. You can start gathering information from your executive just in case some unexpected expenditures come up. You might consider allowances for Development Days as well as Provincial and National Convention. We mark our 100th Anniversary at the National Convention in Montreal this coming year. It would be a great opportunity for everyone to go!

Year End Closing Entries: Just a reminder that all diocesan treasurers as well as parish treasurers should ensure and encourage that all outstanding cheques be cashed before year end.

Theme: Loneliness

Our focus for the next two years is Loneliness.

An interesting article "Being with others cures the epidemic of loneliness" is published in the Euthanasia Prevention Newsletter. You can read it at the following link:

<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/search/Euthanasia+Prevention/FMfcgxwDrldjDSFjCmtxVJrmngpxSjvZ> -

It is so very important for all of us to reach out to others...as a Missionary Church, is this not what we are all called to do?

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Encl. Bishop Pappin Membership Contribution Form
Treasurer's Annual Report Form
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