



October 2014 Edition

Featuring St Catharines Diocese and the Resolutions Standing Committee

We Have Seen the Lord

In This Issue

Betty's Blog	1
St. Catharines Diocesan Convention	2
Milestone Anniversaries	2
Life Chain October 5 Niagara Falls	2
Ontario Resolutions Tidbits	3
Something to Think About	3
Ste. Therese	3
Calming Biblical Resolutions	3
St. Paul the Apostle, Alliston	4
St. Alphonsus Liguori, Wooler	4
Ontario Resolutions Quiz	5
In the next issue...	5



Betty's Blog



This month is a picturesque time for reflection. As the leaves change and harvest begins, it reminds us of all the things that we are truly grateful for. On October 7, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, we remember especially our patroness and give our heartfelt gratitude for her guidance and compassion. Thanksgiving brings a time for family and friends to gather and be mindful of all the wonderful blessings Our Lord has given us. As I prepared the traditional meal for my family, I couldn't help but think of all my sisters in the League that I am so blessed to know and call my friends and extended family. We are so blessed to have the amazing women in The League with awesome talents that they unselfishly share for God and Canada.

The Pumpkin Prayer

Dear Jesus,
As I carve my pumpkin, help me pray this prayer. Open my mind so I can learn about you. (Cut the top off the pumpkin) Take all my sin and forgive the wrong that I do. (Clean out the inside) Open my eyes so your love I will see. (Cut eyes shaped like hearts) I'm sorry for times I've turned up my nose at what you've given to me. (Cut a nose in the shape of the cross) Open my ears so your word I will hear. (Cut ears shaped like the Bible) Open my mouth to tell others you're near. (Cut the mouth in the shape of a fish) Let your light shine in all I say and do! (Put a candle inside and light it) Amen

The Ontario Provincial Council is sincerely grateful to **Lou Piovesan** for all the guidance and support given to our council over the years. We wish him all the best on his retirement. Betty Colaneri, Provincial

President and Pauline Krupa, Provincial President-Elect presented a gift of appreciation to Lou Piovesan at the ACBO executive meeting in Toronto.





ONTARIO PROVINCIAL COUNCIL
OF THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S
LEAGUE OF CANADA



ON-LINE NEWSLETTER

St. Catharines Annual Diocesan Convention

The 56th annual Diocesan Convention was held on May 27, 28/2014.

Opening mass held at St. Alfred's in St. Catharines continuing next day at the Hotel. Following mass, Betty Anne Brown Davidson, national president instantly captured the attention of the ladies as she welcomed everyone to 'clucking and cooing' session these years theme was We Have Seen the Lord-As people of Faith. The conferring of the Life Member Pin was bestowed on Linda Marie O'Hagan for more than 30 years of serve to God and Canada through her work with the CWL. Anne Jamieson, Catechesis Program Director gave an informative presentation on re-discovering the joy of believing. "Joy is a Gift from God. Following lunch the crowing of the Blessed Virgin Mary took place. The business portion resumed with a report from Betty Colaneri, Provincial President who encouraged us all to share our stories. If Jesus is in your heart -show it on your face. Sharon Dickson, CWL Diocesan President thanked her executive for their work and support. Also thanks were extended to the Wieland Region for a great convention.



Fr. Mathew Pendanathu, CWL diocesan spiritual advisor with Sharon Dickson, CWL diocesan president.



Linda Marie O'Hagan – St. Catharines' newest Life Member

St. Catharines Diocese Milestone Anniversaries

We have great news two of our councils have celebrated milestones. **St. Stephen in Cayuga** celebrated 90 years, along with **St. Mary of Assumption in St. Catharines** celebrated 90 years of service to God and Canada. All the members are to be congratulated for their dedication and service. **St. Michael in Fort Erie** celebrated their 60th anniversary in June. The diocesan president presented her home CWL parish council their certificate of service to God and Canada. Many CWL's held their June Dinners with presentation of awards and pins to deserving members.

The Catholic Women's League of Canada is a national organization rooted in gospel values calling its members to holiness through service to the people of God.



On Sunday October 5/2014, the Niagara Regional Life Chain was held.

One hour of silent, prayerful witness to the truth re: abortion, took place on Lundy's Lane in Niagara Falls and also in Grimsby.





Ontario Resolutions Tidbits

By Rosanne Sogan OPC Resolutions Chair

It's time to pat yourself on the back for the good works that have been achieved through resolutions over the past 67 years!

Did you know that the thirteen dioceses throughout Ontario have brought 416 resolutions to life through the provincial level of the League? Currently there are 55 active and 361 archived resolutions.

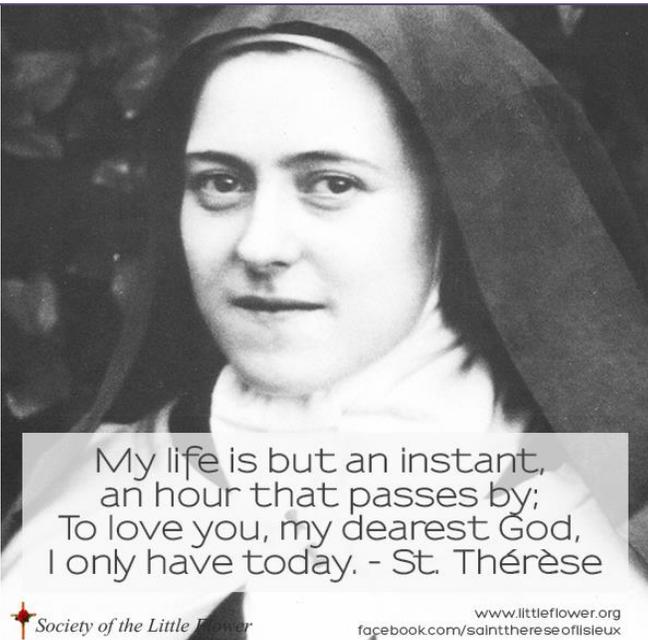
These are the ones that have been adopted at this level. This is not including all of those which were returned and/or defeated.

WOW can you imagine how many there may have been if they all passed?

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

My **CWL Council** is composed of people like me. I help to make it what it is.
It will be friendly, if I am.
It will do great work, if I work.
Its meetings will be meaningful and lively, if I help make them so.
It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver of my time and talents.
It will bring other women into its fellowship, if I invite and bring them.
It will be a Council of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, and a Council with a noble spirit, if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things.
Therefore with the help of God and Our Lady of Good Counsel, I shall dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my Council to be.

Diana Baines, President, Our Lady of Fatima Parish Council, Ottawa



Calming Biblical Resolutions

By Rosanne Sogan OPC Resolutions Chair

Psalms 56:3 "When I am afraid, I will put my trust in You."

Proverbs 15:1 "A gentle answer turns away wrath, But a harsh word stirs up anger."

John 14:27 "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you Do not let your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful."

Philippians 4:6 "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God."

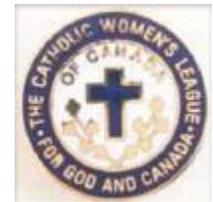


St. Paul the Apostle, Alliston

At their annual Fall dinner on September 25th a plaque depicting the founding president (Shirley Gibson) of the Catholic Women's League (CWL) at St. Paul the Apostle in Alliston, was presented to the CWL. On hand to uncover the plaque that also displays the former president's service pins, were Shirley's daughters, Linda Beckstead and Donna Jebb. Mrs. Gibson founded the CWL in 1976. The plaque will have a permanent home in St. Paul's parish.



In addition to the plaque the following pins were awarded: Marion Pickett – new member received her CWL pin, Norma Van Leeuwen – 10 year pin and Loretta Gismondi – 25 year pin. Katie Quinlan – 40 year pin – will be awarded her pin at the general meeting October 16th. Blessings to all.



St. Alphonsus Liguori, Wooler

The Catholic Women's League of St. Alphonsus Liguori, Wooler celebrated their 75th anniversary on September 14th. Mass was celebrated at 9:30, then a meet and greet in the church hall followed by a catered lunch. There were 55 people in attendance including 5 past presidents and CWL members from Brighton, Bowmanville, Cobourg, Douro, Grafton, Lindsay and Warkworth. Guest speaker was Betty Anne Brown Davidson, National Past President, who gave an inspiring talk that encouraged us to continue our journey together in faith as Catholic women in our League work and as Christians. Long term service pins and certificates were distributed and many friendships rekindled.





ONTARIO PROVINCIAL COUNCIL
OF THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S
LEAGUE OF CANADA



ON-LINE NEWSLETTER

How well do you know your Ontario Resolutions?

By Rosanne Sogan OPC Resolutions Chair

1. What is the shortest title of an Ontario resolution for the League?
2. What is the longest title?
3. What is the League's history of resolutions?
4. How many resolutions are related to water?
5. Can you name them?
6. When was the seat belt resolution adopted?

The answers will be in the November issue of ON-Line Newsletter



***Our next issue will be in November
Featuring
The Peterborough and Pembroke Dioceses
and
the Legislation Standing Committee***