



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



ON-LINE NEWSLETTER

**OPC Convention 2015 Edition
Day 1 – July 6**

ONE HEART
VOICE
MISSION

Opening Mass (Feast Day of Saint Maria Goretti)



The opening mass was celebrated by Archbishop Terrence Prendergast from Ottawa diocese and concelebrated by Bishop Gerard Bergie and 9 spiritual advisors from across the province. Have you ever been to a provincial convention and attended mass with 400 women? The music, the prayers and the sisterhood all culminate in the Holy Eucharist and the sharing of His precious body and blood.

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Josephine Lombardi

Dr. Lombardi talked to the assembled (approximately 400) about the National theme: ONE Heart, ONE Voice, One Mission. It is His heart, voice and truths that make us one. We are called to do all things with great love, united in truth, love and mission. Women need to hear from other women – they are particularly sensitive of the

human needs of others. Let His heart be yours. Once we know Christ our mission is to reveal Him to our communities through evangelization. Once we know Christ our mission is to reveal Him to our communities through evangelization.



Keynote Speaker: Dr. Moira McQueen

Dr. McQueen spoke to members about Palliative Care: A Human Need... Hospice Palliative Care needs volunteers. It strives to help patients and families and does not include assisted death. Dr. McQueen supports a National Strategy of Palliative Care and encouraged members to continue their work to this end. There is a huge need for education for people who will be looking after the next generation.





ON-LINE NEWSLETTER

Spiritual Advisors' Lunch

***The Beautiful Hands of a Priest
We need them in life's early morning,
We need them again at its close;
We feel their warm clasp of true friendship,
We seek them when tasting life's woes.
At the altar each day we behold them,
And the hands of a king on his throne
Are not equal to them in their greatness;
Their dignity stands all alone;
And when we are tempted and wander,
To pathways of shame and of sin,
It's the hand of a priest that will absolve us-
Not once, but again and again.
And when we are taking life's partner,
Other hands may prepare us a feast,
But the hand that will bless and unite us-
Is the beautiful hand of a priest.
God bless them and keep them holy,
For the Host which their fingers caress;
When can a poor sinner do better,
Than to ask Him to guide thee and bless?
When the hour of death comes upon us,
May our courage and strength be increased,
By seeing raised over us in blessing-
The beautiful hands of a priest.***

Author Unknown

Just some of the spiritual advisors who attended lunch today...





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



ON-LINE NEWSLETTER



L
I
F
E
M
E
M
B
E
R
S

