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The Catholic Women's League of Canada  
Education and Health Standing Committee Chair**  
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Attachments:

- OPC Catholic Education in Ontario Pamphlet
- Horizons of Hope Presentation Poster
- 12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care Kit

To: Diocesan and Parish Standing Committee Chairs for Education and Health, Service and Social Justice  
Cc: Linda Squarzolo, Ontario Provincial President, Diocesan Presidents, Ontario Provincial Officers, Marlin Taylor, Life Member (OPC Education and Health Sub-Committee), National Education and Health Chair  
From: Hilarion Mitchell, Ontario Provincial Education and Health Standing Committee Chair

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Happy Easter! This directive provides updates on Catholic Education Week and National Hospice Palliative Care Week both occurring in May. Click on the blue hyperlinks for more details.

Catholic Education Week  
*We, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members of one another.* (Romans 12:5)

[Catholic Education Week](#) will be held April 30-May 5, 2023, with the theme *Catholic Education: We are Many, We are One*. The five sub-themes during the week highlight (illuminate) the path to being many and one. We achieve this unity...

- Monday: *When we see "Blessed are the pure in heart for they will see God."* Matthew 5:8
- Tuesday: *When we listen "Be quick to listen and slow to speak."* James 1:19
- Wednesday: *When we reflect "I considered these things inwardly and pondered them in my heart."* Wisdom 8:17
- Thursday: *When we learn "Let the wise also hear and gain in learning, and the discerning acquire skill."* Proverbs 1:5
- Friday: *When we act "I by my works will show you my faith."* James 2:18



[We Are Many, We Are One - 2023 Catholic Education Week Theme Song](#)

[OPC Catholic Education in Ontario Pamphlet](#)

The Ontario CWL Provincial Council pamphlet on Catholic Education in Ontario Nurturing Mind, Body and Spirit was updated. It now reflects current stats for student enrollment in Catholic English and French schools in Ontario. The pamphlet also contains historical background on Catholic education in the province.

National Hospice Palliative Week Care

*He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise." Luke 23:43*

[National Hospice Palliative Care Week](#) May 7 - 13, 2023

[League 12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care Kit](#)

League Palliative Care Presentations

- [Horizons of Hope Overview](#)  
Date: Mon. May 8, 2023 [Virtual]  
Time: 7:00 – 8:30/9:00 pm (EST)  
Presenters: Dr. Moira McQueen and Shirley Christo, Life Member, MHSc, MEd  
Registration: Contact Shaila D'Souza at [shailaflavy@gmail.com](mailto:shailaflavy@gmail.com) by registration deadline Sun. May 7<sup>th</sup> for the presentation link.
- Bridging the Divide: Forging Connections in Hospice Palliative Care between Rural and Urban Centres  
Date: Sat. May 13, 2023 [Webinar]  
Time: 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (EST)  
Presenter: Mary-Anne Parker, Researcher, Saskatchewan Hospice Palliative Care Association  
Registration: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5402834542918873181>

League Palliative Care and Health Resolutions

[2018.03](#) Legislate Designation of Hospice/Palliative Care Services in Facilities to Exclude Medical Assistance in Dying  
[2017.04](#) Protection from Coercion of Conscience for Healthcare Professionals  
[2016.04](#) Amend the *Canada Health Act* to Identify Palliative Care as an Insured Health Service  
[2015.01](#) Increased Early Access and Intervention to Children and Youth Mental Health Services  
[ON.22.01](#) Long Term Care Homes  
[ON.13.01](#) Reduce the Stigma Attached to Mental Illness  
[ON.09.06](#) Understanding Palliative Care

Resources

[#180](#) Palliative Care Postcard  
[CCCB](#) Special Joint Committee on MAID (2022)  
[Campaign Life Coalition](#) Pro-life Group Backs Bill Repealing MAID for Mentally Ill (Feb. 13, 2023)

Health Promotions Days

[National Organ and Tissue Awareness Week](#) April 18 to 24  
[Hypertension Awareness Month](#)  
[Celiac Disease Awareness Month](#)  
[Mental Health Week](#) May 1 to 7  
[World Ovarian Cancer Day](#) May 8

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