

Manitoba Provincial Council
Community Life Annual Report
June 4, 2022

My report can be found in the annual report book.

The Community Life Portfolio lends itself to care for humanity :

- a. dignity and rights of persons
- b. social and economic justice
- c. refugees, immigration and citizenship
- d. Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace (CCODP) and developing countries

Thank you to everyone in responding to all the above issues that face our world today.

Since February I have attended monthly meetings at St Emile CWL. At these meetings we have brainstormed and come up with ideas to improve our membership. At our last meeting we were joined by 3 prospective new members, and this gives me great joy. (Please pray that this will be realized in the Fall when we resume). I have continued to work with our immigrant community and charitable organisations that take care of our marginalized brothers and sisters.

I participated in the Day of Celebration by ZOOM and introduced the Guest Speaker Dr. Zita Somakoko.

I also attended the Caritas Awards Dinner by ZOOM.

June 20 is the World Day for Refugees. The theme for this day is, " Together we heal, learn and shine." (If you google Development and Peace you can find ideas to celebrate this day).

I attended Saint Boniface AMM at Mary Mother of the Church where St. Emile was awarded a 60-year anniversary certificate and one other for continuing to keep our council together even though we are faced with many challenges.

In conclusion words from Pope Francis from the theme for Development and Peace,
"Put People and Planet First"

His Holiness said it means:

a different economy which brings life not death,
includes does not exclude,
which humanizes and not dehumanize,
which takes care of creation without plundering it.

This message from Pope Francis should be practiced all year.

God Bless all of you. Stay safe.

This concludes my report.