

Catholic Women's League of Canada
President's Communique, November 2025
Keewatin - The Pas Diocesan Council

This is my first communique as President for Keewatin - The Pas Archdiocese. I served a 2 year term as Vice President before stepping into my new role back in May. I have been a member of the Catholic Women's league of Canada for 20 years, most recently serving as president and now past president for Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Cathedral council in The Pas.

September 13th - I drove to Flin Flon to chair my first diocesan zoom meeting and although the roads delayed me a bit and a slow laptop didn't help matters, the meeting finally got off to a great start with the assistance of our Provincial president Lucille. Our meeting began with only a President on our Diocesan Council but at conclusion, a secretary and a treasurer were appointed to the executive positions as well as Faith and Service Chairpersons. I am so grateful to these dedicated women who agreed to join me..

Sept. 14th - I was in Thompson and had an opportunity to meet with a long time member of St. Lawrence Council. It was a pleasure to spend part of an afternoon with her and to share stories, challenges and successes within our councils. I feel it's important to make personal connections whenever possible, especially here in our northern archdiocese, as distance can certainly be a barrier. Our provincial President, Lucille, followed up in Thompson on September 20th and 21st in person.

Oct. 4th - I attended the Annual Day of Reflection in St. Anne, Manitoba which was hosted by the Saint Anne des Chenes CWL Parish Council. This was my first time in St. Anne and after taking a wrong turn or two, managed to make it in time. What a beautiful, scenic area! The Day of Reflection offered information on Catholic Funerals and the role of funeral homes. The presentations were very detailed and the videos were excellent. There was also plenty of time for questions and discussion.

Oct. 5th - I attended the Provincial Council Fall Meeting in Winnipeg.

October 29th - I attended a Provincial CWL Council follow up meeting (as an observer) at the Manitoba Legislative building.

I am currently enrolled in the D2L Brightspace Learning Courses and have completed 2 modules in the first set.

Looking forward to new adventures!

Respectfully,
Teresa Bodin