

The Catholic Women's League of Canada

Manitoba Provincial Council

President's Oral Report

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Greetings to all of my Sisters in the League!

Your President's Oral Report for 2021 can be found in our Annual Report Book. The first five months of 2022 has been quite the ride - It's rare that a day would go by without at least one call or email, and usually there were several. The subject matter of these calls and emails were many and varied, and suffice it to say that if the quantity of calls and emails were any indicator, I do know that I was very loved, by the sheer volume of inquiries!

I want to say here and now that every one of you is to be commended for persevering and for your acts of kindness and generosity, by whatever means was available to you!

While our winter National Meetings were held in-person in Toronto, I have also attended many virtual meetings hosted by National Council, on a variety of issues.

I take this opportunity to thank my Diocesan counterparts, as well as my Life Member Liaison, for all of their diligence in forwarding on communications from both National and Provincial.

We have held five Provincial Executive Virtual Meetings in addition to our Pre-Convention Meeting, held yesterday in-person. I also acknowledge the commitment demonstrated by the members of my Provincial Council – Ann, Lea, Rolande, Fr. Paul, Crystal, Con, Marielle, Mavis and Paulette, not to mention my Diocesan Presidents, Bernadette, Lacey and Pat, who has been succeeded by Chris, with whom I've had frequent discussions and communications by phone, text and email. I have been blessed that each one of them have readily and willingly made themselves available to me whenever I've reached out. I am grateful to all of you.

So, pandemic or not, we've certainly found alternate ways to carry out the important work of the League! We will persevere, and the Catholic Women's League will emerge stronger and more vibrant than before!

May Our Lady of Good Counsel be with each and every one of you!

This concludes my final report as your President.

Janet Brunger