

Spiritual Development Oral Report
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Your report of Spiritual Development activities is in the annual report booklet.

Activity has picked up in the League since January. Members started facilitating synod listening sessions at their parish at the request of their priests. CWL meetings were held in person or on zoom.

The Provincial Day of Celebration held via zoom on February 12th had sixty-three members and guests in attendance. Our first speaker Dr. Zita Somakoko, spoke about domestic violence against women. Slobodan Mitrovic, our second speaker talked about raising the awareness on issues faced by new Canadians and explained the definition of a refugee versus an immigrant. Lastly MB Provincial President-Elect Crystal Reiter led the Town Hall on “Breaking the Barriers of Apathy in the League.” Promising ideas were put forth.

I participated in the honour guard for Eva Bernier who was a founding member of the Immaculate Conception Council in Fisher Branch which had disbanded in 2015. Eva’s daughters ensured her continued membership in the League by transferring her to St John Brebeuf in Winnipeg.

I also attended Life Member Rayleen DeLuca’s funeral and facilitated her honour guard as Holy Rosary Parish also disbanded. Rayleen transferred her membership to an active council.

During Lent many resources for prayers, services and zoom retreats from a variety of sources were shared with you in abundance.

National chairperson of spiritual development Cathy Bouchard was overwhelmed at the number of spiritual bouquets for Pope Francis that were collected across Canada.

I realize that you felt inundated with emails for Spiritual Development; however, when something arrives as “time sensitive” to me, I had to send it on quickly. Unfortunately, I did not always receive it far in advance.

It has been a pleasure serving as your chairperson of spiritual development on provincial council these past three years.

This concludes my report.

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Chairperson of Spiritual Development 2019-2022