

**The Catholic Women's League of Canada
Manitoba Provincial Council
Resolutions**

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Catholic and Living It!

TO: Diocesan Presidents (for information and forwarding to Parish Councils)
Diocesan Chairpersons of Resolutions
CC: Provincial Executive (for information)
CC: National Chairperson of Resolutions (for information)
FROM: Janet Brunger, Acting Provincial Chairperson for Resolutions

We are well into the month of September; and wherever you look, you see signs that summer is over, and we are into the season of Autumn, although as of the date of this writing, the first day of Fall is still another week away. Our students are back in school, fall sports programs are in full swing, homeowners are busy preparing their homes and yards for the upcoming winter. Our farming communities are well into harvesting, and are keeping one eye on the sky, hoping and praying for sufficient dry weather to get the crops in. We've been fortunate, here in the south, that we've not yet had a killing frost on the fields and gardens, but that's only a matter of time. Every day we are grateful, indeed, for the blessings of an abundant harvest and the fruits of our gardens!

In the CWL, we're cautiously gearing up for in-person meetings and events. With this, I encourage our Councils to consider

- Are you happy with everything that our Federal and Provincial governments are doing for us?
- Are you satisfied with our current healthcare system?
- Do you feel our seniors are being adequately cared for?
- Does everyone in your circle of family and friends have adequate housing and sufficient food?
- Do our schools (elementary, middle, high and post-secondary) have sufficient funding to run necessary programs?
- Does everyone you know have adequate employment?

If you have answered 'no' to any of the above, then why are you waiting to write a resolution on any of the above?

- Do you personally know someone who has fallen through the cracks of the system and is struggling?

- Are you aware of a potentially hazardous or life-threatening element in our environment that should be eliminated?
- Do you know of any other issues relating to social justice that should be addressed?

If yes, then there's a resolution sitting waiting for creation. Truly, I have a hard time believing that all of our members in Manitoba are absolutely satisfied with the status quo!

If you or your Council is interested in writing a resolution, there are many resources available to you. Start with the National website – it contains a wealth of information. If you can't find what you're looking for, or if you'd like support or guidance, I encourage you to reach out to your Diocesan or Provincial Council; there are several people who would walk you through the process and guide you along every step. There's no magic; it might seem intimidating, but it's really not that difficult.

This past August, at the National Convention in Kelowna, one resolution was adopted: *2022.01 Enact Federal Legislation to Address Food Laws and Waste*, gifted to us by Alberta-McKenzie Provincial Council. This resolution will appear in the fall issue of the League Magazine; watch for it, or search for it on the CWL website.

I look forward to working with many of you in this capacity, as we navigate through the many of these issues.

May Our Lady of Good Counsel be with you each day!

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