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Spiritual Development Standing Committee  
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**To: Parish Spiritual Development Chairpersons**  
**From: Betsy Carrier, Diocesan Spiritual Development Chairperson,**  
**Cc: Diocesan Officers, Parish Presidents, SSM Regional Spiritual**  
**Advisors, Provincial Spiritual Development Chairperson and**  
**National Spiritual Development Chairperson**

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Greetings my Dear Sisters;

I am truly honoured to be asked to be the Spiritual Development Committee Chairperson for the Sault Ste. Marie Diocesan Council for 2022-2024. I think most of you know me as a SSM Diocesan Past President. If you don't my bio is on our website. Thank you to our 2019-2022 predecessor, Patricia Clizia and to our past acting chair Cathy McKinney, who stepped in from the diocesan convention at the end of April until present.

***A New Term...***



Our own Linda Squarzolo is our new Ontario Provincial President. Her theme charges us to **"Go Make a Difference!"** She is using the Bee as her symbol.

Linda explained that in addition to Bees important role to pollinate plants, they are a good luck symbol, hold the power of service, are productive, stay focused on their goal, remind us to slow down, smell the flowers and taste the sweet nectar of life. Linda used St. John Chrysostom quote that, *"The bee is more honoured than other animals, not because she labours, but because she labours for others."*

***Deceased Member Forms...***

One of the tasks of the Spiritual Development Chairperson is to keep current the Book of Life. To do this it is important that you complete and send *Deceased Member Forms* to national immediately following the loss of a member. (Submit a separate form for each member including member's name, parish council and diocese). The *Deceased Member Form* is on the national website [cwl.ca](http://cwl.ca) under the "TO ORGANIZE" tab/ 500 Series: Forms/ 505. Please also send a copy to me as well either by post or email at [betsy12340@gmail.com](mailto:betsy12340@gmail.com).

Louise McGuire has graciously agreed to stay on as my sub-chairperson responsible for the diocesan Book of Life. Thank you so much Louise for all you have done over the past years. And for accepting to continue this responsibility.

***Spiritual Bouquet for Father Pat Woods***

In late July, Cathy McKinney sent out a special request for prayers from CWL members across our Diocese for a spiritual bouquet for our Diocesan Spiritual Advisor, Fr. Pat Woods. He was transferred from Our Lady of Hope to St. Patrick's due to a variety of reasons in consultation with Bishop Dowd.

The results from the spiritual bouquet were sent to diocesan presidents but I wanted to share the results with you and thank you for your prayers and intentions that were offered up for Fr. Pat. They were sent to him in a special card.

<b>SPIRITUAL BOUQUET FOR FATHER PAT WOODS AUGUST 2022</b>	
Masses	343
Holy Communion	110
Rosaries	521
Prayers	108
Thomas Merton Prayers	1
Visitation to the Blessed Sacrament	5
TV Masses	20
Memorare of the Blessed Virgin	1
Spiritual Communion	20
Virtual Rosary	10
Chaplet of Divine Mercy	48
Prayer for Priests	10
Confessions	1
Assorted Novenas	23
Candles	1
<b>TOTAL: 1218</b>	

Please do not hesitate to contact me by email at [betsy12340@gmail.com](mailto:betsy12340@gmail.com) and I am available at home (705) 942-3978 or on my cell at 705-971-3285. I prefer to be called during the day (prior to 7 p.m.)

I look forward to working with all of you, and may God bless all the work you do, For God and Canada.

Blessings and hugs,

*Betsy*

Betsy Currier  
SSM Diocesan Spiritual Development Committee Chairperson