



Sault Ste. Marie Diocesan Council
Communications – Directive #1



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To: Parish Council Communication Standing Chairpersons, Parish Presidents
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Cc: Diocesan Executive, Provincial Communications Standing Committee Chairperson

"Speaking with kindness creates confidence, thinking with kindness creates profoundness, giving with kindness creates love." —Lao Tseu

Dear Sisters in the League,

Welcome back after a wonderful summer break. I hope that the beautiful colours of the fall are inspiring us all to take the time to focus on the leagues day to day activities.

As I sit to write my first directive as your Diocesan Communications Chairperson, I look forward to working with our parish councils and our newly elected Diocesan council. With all of today's technology, I am able to pass along the information required to keep our members informed and up to date on all that is happening in the CWL world. Directives, Newsletters, our Diocesan Facebook page and website are tools I will use to communicate. Be sure to check them out.

Our National theme "Care for our Common Home" has received wide appreciation throughout the league. At Parish council meetings and at conventions workshops and presentations have been done. The earth, a gift from God, is being threatened by man's abuse of his freedom. In his Encyclical "Praise Be to You", Pope Francis challenges us all to praise and thank God for his glorious creation and to work together to safeguard her.

Colleen Perry, our Provincial President, has asked us to focus on Loneliness for the next two years. Use "Communication" as a platform to bring awareness if you know of someone who is lonely. She invites us to visit old aged homes and take the time to sit and listen. ***"The most terrible poverty is loneliness, and the feeling of being unloved."*** A quote from Mother Teresa. Let us do our part. Page 8 of the October ON-line Newsletter has a wonderful article on Loneliness and has suggestions on what can we do to enable ourselves and others to feel more supported and less alone.

Please visit the National website <https://cwl.ca/communique-6-communications/> and read the communique of Doreen Gowans', the National Communication Chairperson. In it she talks about the Pornography Hurts postcards. Our Diocesan council has agreed to have enough postcards printed up for each region. Your Regional Director will distribute the cards to the councils wishing to participate in the campaign.

In closing, I encourage you to visit our Diocesan Facebook page [The Catholic Women's League of Canada Diocese of Sault Ste Marie](#), as well as our Diocesan website www.ssmcwl.ca to stay up to date on all the activities and events happening in our Councils, Regions and in the Dioceses as well as the 100th Annual Convention to take place on April 24 – 26, 2020. If your council has something they would like to share on our Facebook page, please forward a poster of the event to me at kellymlangevin@gmail.com.

Enjoy the all the fall colours that the Lord has provided us.

Your Sister in the League,

Kelly Langevin