



The Catholic Women's League of Canada

Sault Ste Marie Diocesan Council



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To: Parish Council Presidents, Secretaries, Faith Committee Chair

From: Debbie Mattiazzi Diocesan Faith Chair

Cc: Diocesan Executive, Diocesan Spiritual Advisor, Provincial Faith Chair

Greetings Dear Sisters,

It is my pleasure to serve as elected on the diocesan council for this new term and appointed as faith chairperson.

I would like to invite you to view the wonderful strategic planning resources and prayer services available on the national website.

Faith Standing Committee

According to the Constitution & Bylaws, chairperson of faith shall evangelize, promote spiritual growth and encourage members to:

- a) Pray, individually and communally
- b) Uphold the sanctity of life
- c) Study Catholic teachings
- d) Stress the importance of the role of women in the church
- e) Foster vocations
- f) Advance ecumenical and interfaith endeavor

Deceased Members

One of the tasks of the Faith Chairperson working with her council, is to keep a Book of Life, and ensure it is current and up to date. To do this it is important that you complete and send Deceased Members 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 Members Form is on the national website cwl.ca under "TO ORGANIZE" tab /500 Series: form 505.

It is very important to also submit the information to me as well by email at faithchairsswcl@gmail.com

If there is a situation where the member has lapsed in membership due to an unforeseen circumstance or life change, the member may be included in the council book of life and submitted to national and diocesan for inclusion in books at all levels, so to leave no member behind. For additional information and guidance visit www.ssmcwl.ca to report deceased members in our diocese.

Louise McGuire is on the Faith committee as the keeper of the diocesan Book of Life.

Please do not hesitate to contact me by email or phone (705)690-8418.

I look forward to working with all of you, my prayer is May God continue to bless you and all the good works you do.

Blessings and Hugs

Debbie

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SSM Diocesan Faith Chairperson