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The Catholic Women's League of Canada  
Spiritual Development Standing Committee

*Care for our Common Home*  
*Loneliness*

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To: Parish Presidents for Parish Spiritual Development Chairpersons

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Dear ladies and Fr. John,

Hope you are doing well. All is good here in Englehart. A little more sunshine would definitely make things better, happier, etc. Oh well, we also need the rain. The trees, plants and grass are appreciating it.

A:

I received a directive from provincial yesterday and I am sending you the information I received.

As I said in Directive #14, (the one I sent last Saturday that wasn't in the correct format) Pope Francis has called on the world to pray the rosary each day during the month of May for an end to the Covid 19 Pandemic. The rosary will be prayed from 30 different Marian Shrines. In a separate email, I am sending you the Shrine List and Daily Prayer Intentions that your members might like to follow when they say their rosary. I will ask Shirley to put it on the diocesan website as well as the Liturgy Guide for the May Rosary in case anyone is interested in that.

PS. I have to learn how to put an email attachment in a Word document. That will be for another day.

B:

A September retreat is being planned for everyone to participate online via Zoom. More information will be coming very soon once we decide on the date.

C:

The national theme, Care for our Common Home, is in place until the end of 2021.

D:

The pope's intentions (for your interest)

May – The World of Finance – Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers

June – The Beauty of Marriage – Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

July – Social Friendship – We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

August – The Church – Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and the strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

E:

Dates to Remember:

May 13 – Ascension of the Lord

WUCWO Day (World Union of Catholic WDirective #13. Go to [www.wucwo.org](http://www.wucwo.org) for a prayer service.

May 23 – Pentecost Sunday

May 24 – Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

May 30 – solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

May 31 – Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Praying for you and your family to receive an abundance of blessings.

Marie Black