

Timmins Diocesan Council  
The Catholic Women's League of Canada  
**Communications Standing Committee**

**Directive #5**

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**To:** Parish Communications Chairpersons, Parish Presidents

**From:** Marie Black, Timmins Diocesan Communications Standing Committee  
Chairperson

**cc:** Provincial Communications Standing Committee Chairperson, Marie-Theresa  
Lamphier and Audrey Shelton, Timmins Diocesan President

Hello, CWL Sisters,

I trust that you are beginning to enjoy the warm weather that is finally here, especially since we had a rather late and shakey start to the spring. Although spring brings a lot of outdoor work that needs to be done, I am sure many of you, including myself, are well into gardening and thrilled to watch everything grow.

The **June On-Line Provincial Newsletter** features the Hamilton Diocese and the provincial legislation chairperson.

The **October On-line Provincial Newsletter will feature the Timmins Diocese**. Therefore, as requested in previous directives and at diocesan meetings, I need your **photos and write-ups by the end of June** eg. a unique project/undertaking, something related to the homeless, a special celebration/presentation. This date was agreed upon at the spring diocesan meeting in March. The following are the newsletter guidelines that were also sent to you:

- include the name of your council and its location
- each article typed, not to exceed 100 words
- only one photo per article
- photo cropped and in jpg format
- diocese allowed 2 pages in total

To date, I have received the following:

- St. Anthony CWL member with Syrian family member
- September 2017 Spiritual Retreat Day
- Living Spaces representative receiving donation of socks, etc.

I know Annette Kelly sent out information about the **CWL Spiritual Retreat Day** in September. Please advertise and promote this event as requested by Annette.

### **Annual Report Book 2017**

I hope you have now had the chance to read the Annual Report Book 2017. Thank you to Audrey and the diocesan executive, including the parish presidents, for submitting their reports for the report book. I would appreciate feedback from the executive and all members – what you liked, what can be improved, what else can be included and so on.

Annette Kelly sent me the names of members who died in 2017 and unfortunately I missed putting that page in the report book. I apologize for this. In the 2018 Annual Report Book, I plan to rectify this mistake and include both the 2017 and 2018 lists of deceased members.

Once again, I am asking you to send me the **names of those who received volunteer awards** eg. Volunteer of the Year, Citizen of the Year, Life Member Award, Maple Leaf Award, etc. Once received, I will submit the information to provincial.

Someone asked me about the **Purse Project** that was initiated for the 2016 Diocesan Convention. I subsequently phoned the three Women's Shelters in our area that received the purses. They said that each recipient was truly appreciative and they felt it was a very successful and positive way to support the women in the shelters.

I have also sent you an attachment with a **thank you letter** that was received from **Living Spaces in Timmins**. Some of the items (socks, toiletries, etc.) that were brought to the convention, were given to this facility which helps the homeless.

May Our Lady of Good Counsel guide us in our words and actions as we communicate with our League sisters and all those we meet.

I look forward to receiving your photos and write ups.

Blessings to all.

Your CWL sister,

*Marie Black*

Timmins Diocesan Communication Chairperson