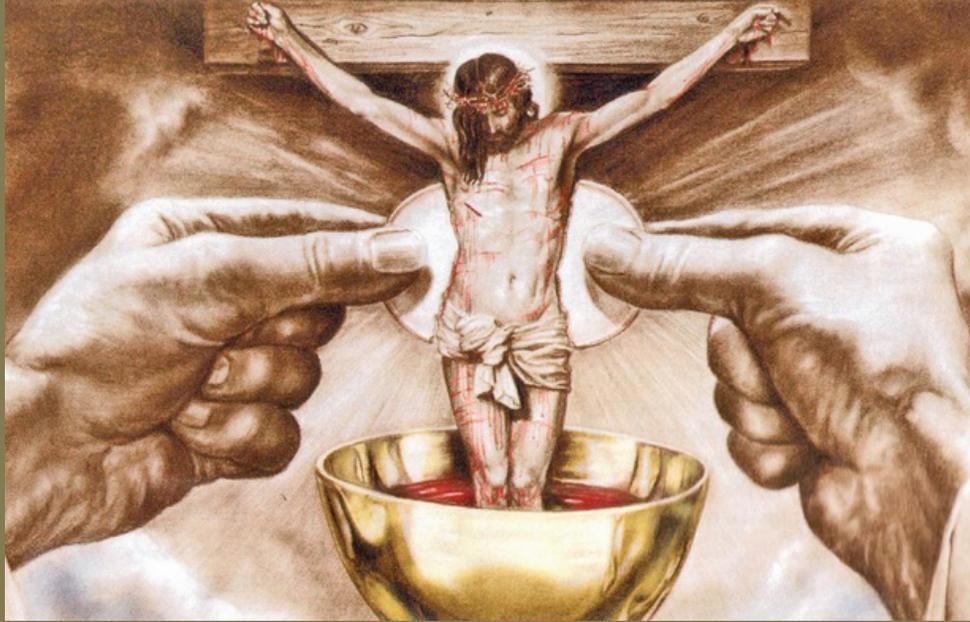




HOLY TRINITY CWL

NEWSLETTER - JULY/21

Month of The Precious Blood of Jesus



“Almighty Father, I place the Precious Blood of Jesus before my lips before I pray, that my prayers may be purified before they ascend to Your divine altar.”

St. Mary Magdalen de Pazzi

Message from CWL President:

Dear Sisters in Christ,

After 16 months of distancing and challenging restrictions we are now rejoicing in the great news that as of July 1, all restrictions have been lifted on public Masses. We can now start coming to praise our Lord in our church without restrictions. I am sure this might feel different for each of us but I urge you to start coming to mass and regain all the time we have been unable to receive the Body of Christ. When we receive Holy Communion there is an intimate union with Jesus Christ that nothing can substitute.

Indeed, the Lord said” “He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him”.

Looking forward to see you again and to socialize and mingle with one another. Our special “Mass in the Garden” will take place on July 24th and our general CWL monthly meetings will resume in September.

Blessings,
Roselia



In this month of July, dedicated to the **Precious Blood of Jesus**, we can think about the Jewish understanding of blood to deepen our understanding of this great devotion. In the book of Leviticus, which gives the Jewish rules for sacrificing and eating animals, we read "you shall not eat the blood of any creature, for the life of every creature is its blood" (17:14). With this in mind, we can imagine how Jesus' listeners would have reacted when he said "unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you"(John 6:53). They would have been scandalized - they would never dream of drinking animal blood, let alone human blood! No wonder so many stopped following Jesus at this point. But Jesus is making the point that his blood holds his life, his divine life, and so when we receive it, we share in that life.

Let's rejoice in the gift of Jesus' Precious Blood in Holy Communion!

Fr. David Howell



Psalms 111:1-8

"I will give thanks to the LORD with all my heart
in the company and assembly of the just.

Great are the works of the LORD,
exquisite in all their delights.

Your works, O Lord, are justice and truth.

Majesty and glory are his work,
and his justice endures forever.

He has won renown for his wondrous deeds;
gracious and merciful is the LORD.

Your works, O Lord, are justice and truth.

The works of his hands are faithful and just;

sure are all his precepts,

Reliable forever and ever,

wrought in truth and equity.

Your works, O Lord, are justice and truth."

Mission Statement

The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls its members to grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service.

End of the School Year



It has been a challenging and unusual year for our school and prep students but through the commitment of Father Obiwumma, Sister Minerva and the grade 2 and 7 teachers at Holy Trinity School, along with Principal Smith, our students were able to celebrate the **sacraments of Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation during May and June.**

To recognize their progress with their faith journey, on behalf of Holy Trinity CWL, small treat bags were prepared for the children.

The grade 2 students received a prayer card, a rosary and white jelly beans, yogurt covered raisins and white mints.

The grade 7 students received a prayer card, a small cross and red & gold wrapped candies to recognize their achievements.

Thank you to Sister Minerva, Linda, Mira, Nicole and Roselia for their thoughtful consideration in preparing these gifts to let students know that the Holy Trinity CWL members care.

The St. Thomas Aquinas High School Graduation and Commencement events took place on June 24 – 26. All the female graduates received a personalized postcard of congratulations and tea bag from us along with an invitation to explore the possibility of joining CWL. Thank you to Eliane and Kelly for coordinating this effort and for Christina Ghorayeb at Grandview Printing for the beautiful cards.

The recipient of the \$600 Holy Trinity CWL bursary this year was STA grade 12 student:

Ella Kennedy

First Ever CWL Wine Survivor: Spring/Summer 2021 Edition



A sincere thank you to those of you who participated in Wine Survivor. We hope you enjoyed the game, the prizes and the email messages along the way.

We want to let you know that through your generosity and bravery (to play something you may not have understood) we were able to make a donation of \$805 to Our Lady of Good Counsel, Domestic Abuse Services. This has been a difficult 1 ½ years for DAS with their retail store suffering due to Covid restrictions, June and December are their big fundraising months and every contribution helps their cause. So be happy in knowing you have helped individuals suffering in domestic abuse situations beyond their control through your generous support.

Our Winesday winners were: Felicity Hudson, Monica Altamirano, Nina Carpio and Roselia Moreno. Our "First Out of the Game" consolation prize winner was Eliane Santos.

Now for the “grand prize” winners,

3rd place/3 bottles of wine went to **Anne Beresford**

2nd place/5 bottles of wine went to **Sandra Mayne**

and **the grand prize winner of 10 bottles of wine was**

Maureen Topley.



Stay tuned for more fund raising opportunities in the fall.

Wishing you all a wonderful summer!

Bottoms Up!☒

Linda & Nicole





Book of Miracles

Dear Sisters in the League,

To pass along a request from our Diocesan Organization Chairperson and President Elect, Sherray Duran. Sherray has come up with a wonderful idea for our Diocesan Council. She would like to compile **a book with a collection of stories from our members about miracles that they have experienced in their lives.** Sherray would like your stories in **225-250 words, in Times New Roman, 12 pt font. The proceeds of the book will be donated to Domestic Abuse Services.** If you have a story of a miracle, now is your chance to tell everyone how God has worked in your life. **Please send your stories to Sherray, at PresidentElect@vancouvercwl.ca. The deadline for submissions is August 20, 2021**

The Gardening Angels

If you would like to help with keeping the Parish gardens beautiful throughout the summer, contact Linda at: 778-848-5630 to learn more about what you can do.

No gardening experience required All you need are a pair of gardening gloves and a smile.

Social distancing is easy and you will see many people who will thank you and pray for you for the marvelous work you are doing.



Core Purpose

Uniting Catholic women to grow in faith, and to promote social justice through service to the church, Canada and the world.

Canada Day



Canada Day is a one of a kind event that brings together Canadians across the country. This year, more than ever, Canada Day presents an opportunity to show solidarity, understanding, and resilience. It invites Canadians to come together from coast to coast to coast to reflect on our history and culture. Most importantly, Canada Day gives us space to hold a truthful, reconciling, and inclusive dialogue, strengthen the ties that unite us, and look toward our country's future with optimism while acknowledging the past.

Save the Date

CWL Summer Mass

**July
24th**

We will be holding a special summer Mass on July 24th at 1pm in Holy Trinity Church. Afterwards, we will host a small social reception. Members can expect to see the official invitation and RSVP opportunity early next week.



The Holy Trinity CWL Executive Team is working together, we grieve and stand in solidarity with Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc First Nation.

How do we love & do justice during this time?

In light of the heartbreaking news of unmarked graves being discovered at Residential Schools in Canada, there is a storm of emotions meeting our hearts. How do we resolve the tension between the God we know and what we see in the world?

Over the past few weeks, there has been a lot to process and continue to understand. While none of us have all the answers we do know that where there is brokenness, Jesus seeks to heal and comfort. As Catholics, we are called to do the same. To bring our breaking hearts to God and to act in love for those hurting.

To help process and move towards truth and reconciliation, these are some of the resources we've been using. We hope they help.

- [TRC Reports](#)
- [The Inconvenient Indian](#)
- [Archdiocese of Vancouver Resources](#)
- [Party Lines Podcast; A residential school's reckoning, again.](#)
- [Interview with Chief LittleChild, a governor of the TRC, and Archbishop Smith of the Archdiocese of Edmonton](#)

From: The Behold Team

Core Values

FAITH - following Catholic teaching **SERVICE** - local, national and international
SOCIAL JUSTICE - actively involved in society



Special prayer for Elaine Calla

who passed away
May she rest in peace.

Mass offered for Elaine from CWL

July 15 - 8:15am



From Harold Calla - With profound sadness we announce the passing of Elaine Calla, loving and devoted wife, mother and grandmother. Elaine died at home in North Vancouver surrounded by her family on Monday, June 28th, 2021 at the age of 71. Elaine was born in North Vancouver on November 9th, 1949. A daughter of the late Ted and Audrey (Tremblay) Grant. On May 10th, 1969 she married Harold Calla and over the next 52 years they grew a family and brought their dreams to life. Elaine was the much loved mother of Jason (Sheri), Jonathan (Cathy), Joanna (James) and Jenevieve (Jeff). Cherished grandmother of Charlie, Jacqueline, Anthony, Jamie, Caelan, Patrick and Hugh. Dear sister of Stuart Grant, the late Allan Grant, and baby-brother Jamie (Gabby) Grant. Known by many as a born baby whisperer, the ultimate hostess, a skilled baker, and a loyal friend—You might just say, she was practically perfect in every way. Elaine's seemingly bottomless supply of enthusiasm and commitment kept her up late sewing costumes and got her up early driving to hockey practice. It sent her to far-away places like Collingwood, Boston, and Kelowna and kept her busy here at home with the CWL Elaine was tenacious, resilient, and fiercely dedicated to her family and her community. This unwavering commitment presented itself in the way of elaborate, multi-course dinners, over-the-top gifting, and three lifetimes worth of apple pie making. Elaine's dying wish was simple, "Make sure they know how much I love them", she whispered. "Tell them all how much I loved them". Elaine leaves behind a legacy of strength, beauty, courage and grace but above all, a love that will not soon be forgotten. As an expression of sympathy memorial donations may be made to the BC Cancer Foundation



Elaine with Pat Wilson- past president

Happy July Birthdays!

Elda Bodnaruk

Dora Croner

Edna Lim

Nicole Tancredi

Kim Thorpe

Sharing the core values



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of faith, service and social justice with the next generations!

"Tell your children of it, and let your children tell their children, and their children another generation." (Joel 1:3)



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