



# HOLY TRINITY CWL

## NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER/21



## Month of Holy Souls

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The Lord delights in every little  
step you take.  
St. Francis de Sales

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### Message from CWL President:

Roselia Moreno

Dear CWL members,

We start the month of November by celebrating All Saints' Day and then the Souls in Purgatory.

Pope Francis said "We are all called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do". Let's pray together to attain to be holy and to support each other in our journey.

For our loved ones who passed away, let's pray the prayer of St. Gertrude. St. Gertrude the Great was a Benedictine nun and mystic who lived in the 13th century. According to tradition, our Lord promised her that 1000 souls would be released from purgatory each time it is said devoutly. Let's unite our hope in this prayer as we said: **Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.**

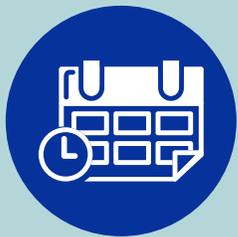
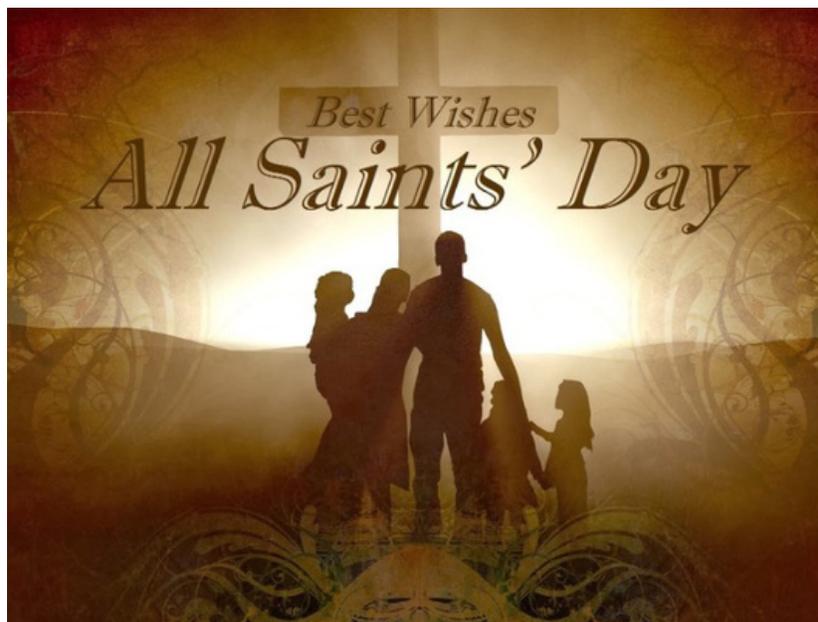
God bless.

# Month of Holy Souls

The month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The Church commemorates all her faithful children who have departed from this life, but have not yet attained the joys of heaven. St. Paul warns us that we must not be ignorant concerning the dead, nor sorrowful, "even as others who have no hope ... For the Lord Himself shall come down from heaven ... and the dead who are in Christ shall rise.

The Church has always taught us to pray for those who have gone into eternity. Even in the Old Testament prayers and alms were offered for the souls of the dead by those who thought "well and religiously concerning the resurrection." It was believed that "they who had fallen asleep with godliness had great grace laid up for them" and that "it is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins." We know that a defiled soul cannot enter into heaven.

**"Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen."**



## Holy Trinity CWL General Meeting

**December 6th @ 7pm**

**Holy Trinity Church Hall**

**Mask are mandatory**

We also ask our members to:

- Assess themselves for symptoms of COVID-19 and stay home if sick;
- Clean their hands frequently. Will have a hand sanitation station available during the meeting. Venue will be cleaned and disinfected before and after the meeting.

## Christmas Tree at the Dundarave Forest of Miracles



*Our tree  
needs a  
friend*

Would you help us?

Contact Linda @  
htcwlpres@gmail.com or 778-848-5630

**If you would like to make decorations or  
help to decorate our tree.**

**Tree trimming takes place on November 24-28.**

## DUNDARAVE FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

For the 5th year, **Holy Trinity CWL** is sponsoring a Christmas Tree at the Dundarave Forest of Miracles. During the month of November we will be collecting spare change after all weekend Masses to donate to this event which fundraises for the **North Shore Lookout Housing and Health Society**.

NS Lookout Housing & Health Society provides shelter for 305 guests (78% men, 22% women) and also provides Extreme Weather Response beds when needed. They assist individuals to locate transitional housing and help secure housing subsidies. The facility is located at the foot of Fell Street (one block from the Gardenworks on Marine Drive).

In response to COVID19 pandemic, Lookout also operated 25 rooms plus 5 isolation rooms at the North Shore Travel Lodge.

Contact Linda @ htcwlpres@gmail.com or 778-848-5630 if you have any questions, if you would like to make decorations or help to decorate our tree. Tree trimming takes place on November 24-28.

For more information on Homelessness in Greater Vancouver, the March 2020homeless count report can be viewed at: [https://northshorehomelessness.files.wordpress.com/2021/06/hc2020\\_finalreport.pdf](https://northshorehomelessness.files.wordpress.com/2021/06/hc2020_finalreport.pdf)

### **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.

## Holy Trinity School fundraiser silent auction donation

We are accepting cash donations for the Holy Trinity School fundraiser silent auction.

We will donate a gift card to Pier 7 Restaurant for auction at the event.

Any amount would be greatly appreciated.

## November Diocesan General Meeting

**Sat, Nov 6, 2021 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (PDT)**

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/663433501>

You can also dial in using your phone.

Canada: +1 (647) 497-9373

Access Code: 663-433-501

**All members are invited to attend.**

## MEMBERSHIP

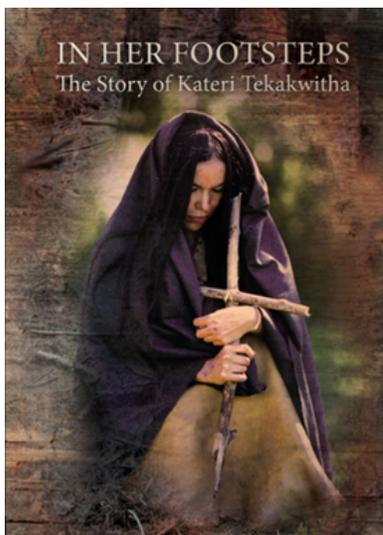


If you have any questions please contact Sally Matienzo or Diane Addison

You can drop off membership fee 2022 in the Parish office or

e-transfer to Diane Addison at:

[dianeaddison@telus.net](mailto:dianeaddison@telus.net).



## Short version of the DVD entitled "In Her Footsteps - The Story of Kateri Tekakwitha"

For 350 years, a young Christian Mohawk woman has been interceding for and inspiring natives and non-natives around the world. On October 2012, Kateri Tekakwitha became the first Native woman to be recognized as a Saint.

**[Click here to watch.](#)**

### Core Purpose

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

## Special prayer for **MARIAN BROOKS** who passed away

Sadly we just recently heard that our member, Marian Books, passed away peacefully on June 7, 2021 at the age of 95. Marian was a kind and friendly soul, always a smiling face in the crowd. She was born on August 5, 1925 in England and immigrated to Canada with her husband, who was a reporter covering the Vancouver courts. They had two daughters (Linda & Kate), one son and two grandsons.

A few years prior to Covid, Marian was finding it a bit much to host family Christmas dinners so in the middle of summer she would make reservations for Christmas dinner at an upscale location. She tried the North Shore first but her choice eateries always seemed to be booked. Her favorite venue became The Hotel Vancouver; she was so very pleased with the arrangement and raved about the meal and location.

Marian was a member of Holy Trinity CWL for 15 years and was active in the "calling tree", cheerfully leaving messages and reminders to our members of upcoming meetings, events and opportunities to serve. She was happy to attend events if it would encourage others to participate. **We will honor her in our CWL Remembrance Mass on Monday, November 1.**

May she rest in peace.

## FOR GOD AND CANADA: A REFLECTION ON THE CWL CONVENTION



97th Annual National Convention of the Catholic Women's League of Canada in Charlottetown

It is always good to keep in mind.  
[Click here to watch the video.](#)

## NEW AMEN APP FREE CATHOLIC APP



"I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways." Psalm 119:15

[Click here to visit the webpage](#)

### Core Values

**FAITH** - following Catholic teaching   **SERVICE** - local, national and international

**SOCIAL JUSTICE** - actively involved in society

# FIRST NATIONS 101

By Lynda Gray

First Nations peoples' lives have been greatly affected by laws, policies and actions that were externally imposed upon them including their governance, their communities and use of their land. It eroded their traditional cultural practices and their languages. To be aware of these past problems will give non-First Nations people an understanding of how our shared history affects all of our lives.

## **The BRITISH NORTH AMERICA ACT – 1867**

The year 1867 is recognized as the year the British North America Act, later re-named the Canadian Constitution Act, came into existence. The provinces formed the Dominion of Canada. This is the year that the British Crown declared their authority over Indians and the lands reserved for Indians. The First Nations people did not knowingly enter into arrangements to forfeit their inherent rights to their land and resources nor give up their autonomy to govern themselves.

## **The INDIAN ACT**

The Indian Act was created in 1876 as part of the Canadian Constitution. This is legislation (law) for Status Indians outlining their governance, their band memberships, their elections, their home ownership, land use, taxation, use of natural resources and their relationship with the Government of Canada. It was used in part to expand the country of Canada westward to the Pacific Ocean, allowing for the formation of treaties with individual Nations as our country grew. Along with the treaty development, assimilation of First Nations people into European societal values began.

Indians could lose their status in many ways such as obtaining university degrees or becoming lawyers. Women would lose their status if they married a non-status man. Over the years many amendments were made to the Indian Act, resulting in more restrictions to their traditional ways of life. Changes included banning ceremonies, such as potlatches, expropriating land without consent, wearing traditional costumes only with written permission from the government, to name a few.

In 1951 changes to the Act allowed provincial governments to introduce legislation where federal legislations did not exist. The most notable of these laws was the introduction of the “Child Welfare Act”. More on that later.

## **What can you do?**

Hold federal, provincial and territorial governments accountable for their policies, actions and laws that lead to the widespread social and economic challenges that First Nations people continue to face. Write letters, send emails, sign petitions, attend rallies, and use your vote wisely.

# HISTORY OF HOLY TRINITY PARISH CWL

The 15 founding members of our Holy Trinity CWL Council in 1950 were:

*Mrs. M. L. Barry*

*Mrs. L (Marnie) Brasseur – first President of our parish council*

*Mrs. I. M. (Edith) Browne*

*Mrs. K (Teresa) Dinahan*

*Mrs. A. Drummond*

*Mrs. A. G. Grant*

*Mrs. P (Marie) Grant*

*Mrs. A. Loughlin*

*Mrs. K. (Katherine) McDonnel*

*Mrs. A. L. (Irene) Mcintosh*

*Mrs. P. G. Morquette*

*Mrs. M. (Maria) Mulcahy*

*Mrs. G. (Lena) Peverelle*

*Mrs. L. (Marguerite) Rees*

*Mrs. J. A. (Yvonne) Tremblay*

As member June Sawyer reminded me, in those times women were known not by their first names but as spouses of their husbands. Therefore Marnie Brasseur was known as Mrs. L. Brasseur.

Mrs. Yvonne Tremblay was a founding member of our parish and was the grandmother of our deceased members Carol-Anne Campbell and Elaine Calla and mother of Cecile Van Ness.

**If any of you are related to or have a connection to our founding members, we would love to know.**

**Contact Linda at: [htcwlpres@gmail.com](mailto:htcwlpres@gmail.com) or call 778-848-5630 with your history.**



**HOLY TRINITY PARISH CWL**

**For God and Canada**

# Happy November Birthdays!



**Beatriz Crooks**  
**Kathleen Denkewalter**  
**Vincenza Eppich**  
**Anita Gentile**  
**Andrea Gilmour**  
**Kathleen Kummer**  
**Rita Shakespeare**  
**Sara Van Buekenhout**  
**Wendy Walji**



## Welcome for our new members:

Roselyn Ivy and  
Mylene



## Sharing the core values



**Holy Trinity Parish CWL**  
[cwl.holytrinityparish.ca](http://cwl.holytrinityparish.ca)

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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