



HOLY TRINITY

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MESSAGE FROM CWL PRESIDENT:

NINA G. CARPIO

Dear Sisters in Christ,

There are a few forces in the world more powerful than a mother's love for her children. All of us have been blessed with mothers who have brought us into this world and shown us great love; and most who have become mothers themselves I am sure would attest to this. The experience of how my own mother loved and cared for me and my siblings her whole life, always bring joy and warmth into my heart. I greatly admire her willingness to go above and beyond to ensure her loved ones are happy, healthy, and faithful to God; and how she always has great humility, generosity and charity towards others, especially to those in need. If a mother can be all of these to me, what more Our Lady, who is Jesus' Mother and Mother to us all, Queen of heaven and earth! Mary's love did not come without great sacrifice and pain, and yet she remained constant and steadfast in her love and obedience to God. I truly believe her sorrow continues when she sees many of her children having gone astray, or losing their souls entirely to the evil one. But all is not lost for us, as we are very hopeful that even as her Immaculate heart is wounded so often, she offers us many ways to come back to her beloved Son. I believe that she has continued to reach out to us in beautiful places like La Salette, Akita, Guadalupe, Lourdes, Fatima, Medjugore, and many more throughout history because she loves us so much. I have learned how she has given us many gifts through the Holy Rosary and the Scapulars; Consecration, Novenas and Litany prayers, and devotions on the First Saturdays of the month; to repair our relationship and console the sorrows of God, Jesus and herself, for the sins brought about by the blasphemy and ingratitude of humanity against her Immaculate Heart.

We are very happy to have Father Cannio Cardozo, who is our guest speaker for our upcoming General Assembly on May 1st. We anticipate his valuable information and insights on the Scapular, as well about the Carmelites, who honor our Blessed Mother in a very special way. How fitting it is, that we celebrate Mother's Day on this month of May dedicated to our Blessed Mother Mary. Inspired by St. Maximilian Kolbe, may we all learn to surrender completely to the Immaculate Heart of Mary; that we may burn with a powerful love and cause many souls to burn with this same love; that we may win the universe, and each individual soul for the Blessed Virgin, and through her, for the Sacred Heart of Jesus."

Happy Mother's day to all, and looking forward to seeing you at our General Meeting!

"YOU HAVE SEEN HELL WHERE THE SOULS OF POOR SINNERS GO. TO SAVE THEM, GOD WISHES TO ESTABLISH IN THE WORLD, DEVOTION TO MY IMMACULATE HEART. IF WHAT I SAY TO YOU IS DONE, MANY SOULS WILL BE SAVED AND THERE WILL BE PEACE[...] I SHALL COME TO ASK FOR THE CONSECRATION OF RUSSIA TO MY IMMACULATE HEART, AND THE COMMUNION OF REPARATION ON THE FIRST SATURDAYS[...] IN THE END MY IMMACULATE HEART WILL TRIUMPH." – THIS WAS THE PROMISE OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY, FATIMA, PORTUGAL, JULY 13, 1917.

THE MONTH OF MAY IS DEDICATED TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

In our observance of the Marian month we should take into account the season of the Liturgical Year which largely corresponds with the fifty days of Easter. Our pious exercises could emphasize Our Lady's participation in the Paschal mystery and in Pentecost with which the Church begins. The pious exercises connected with the month of May can easily highlight the earthly role played by the glorified Queen of Heaven, here and now, in the celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

The following practices which are recommended by the Magisterium are offered as suggestions for honoring Our Lady during Her month.

The Regina Coeli

The ecclesial community addresses this antiphon to Mary for the Resurrection of her Son. It adverts to, and depends on, the invitation to joy addressed by Gabriel to the Lord's humble servant who was called to become the Mother of the saving Messiah.

The Rosary

Also called the Psalter of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Rosary is one of the most excellent prayers to the Mother of God. Thus, "the Roman Pontiffs have repeatedly exhorted the faithful to the frequent recitation of this biblically inspired prayer which is centered on contemplation of the salvific events of Christ's life, and their close association with the Virgin Mother."

Litanies of the Blessed Virgin Mary

These consist of a long series of invocations to Our Lady, which follow in a uniform rhythm, thereby creating a stream of prayer characterized by insistent praise and supplication.

Consecration and Entrustment to Mary

The Roman Pontiffs have frequently expressed appreciation for the pious practice of "consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary" and the formulas publicly used by them are well known.

Louis Grignon de Montfort is one of the great masters of the spirituality underlying the act of "consecration to Mary". He "proposed to the faithful consecration to Jesus through Mary, as an effective way of living out their baptismal commitment."

The Brown Scapular and other Scapulars

The scapular is an external sign of the filial relationship established between the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother and Queen of Mount Carmel, and the faithful who entrust themselves totally to her protection, who have recourse to her maternal intercession, who are mindful of the primacy of the spiritual life and the need for prayer.

Medals

These are witnesses of faith and a sign of veneration of the Holy Mother of God, as well as of trust in her maternal protection.

The Church blesses such objects of Marian devotion in the belief that "they help to remind the faithful of the love of God, and to increase trust in the Blessed Virgin Mary."

The "Akathistos" Hymn

In the Byzantine tradition, one of the oldest and most revered expressions of Marian devotion is the hymn of the "Akathistos" – meaning the hymn sung while standing. It is a literary and theological masterpiece, encapsulating in the form of a prayer, the universally held Marian belief of the primitive Church.

Excepted from the Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy



THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2023

For church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelisation each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

Eliane Miranda – CWL Communications

Excepted from <https://www.catholicculture.org/>

HT CWL GENERAL MEETING

MAY 1ST

HOLY TRINITY PARISH HALL @7:00 PM

ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED TO ATTEND
GUEST SPEAKER: FATHER CANNIO CARDOZO

INVITE A FRIEND AND HELP BUILD COMMUNITY.



APRIL MEETING SPIRITUAL PRESENTATION

For those of you who missed the April general meeting, here is the link to the Holy Week video presented by Sister Margaret

[Easter Explained: An 8-Day Guide to Celebrating Holy Week](#)

THANK YOU

With appreciation to Nicole Tancredi, Marlene Schreiner, Dee McInness & Mary Meakes for their donations to the door prizes for our CWL Vancouver Diocesan convention.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

MEET OUR COMMUNITY: DAISY GAGNE TURNS 100 YEARS YOUNG

Do you know Daisy Gagné:



Longtime CWL Member Daisy Gagné celebrated her 100th birthday on April 21, 2023 with her 7 daughters and 3 generations of extended family. She was raised in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, by devout, but broadminded Protestant parents who respected other religious denominations and felt that each person should choose the religion that felt right to them. Daisy chose Catholicism, and married her husband Art in St Joseph's Roman Catholic Church on August 5, 1945. After a post-war move to the west coast, the couple settled in North Vancouver and joined Holy Trinity parish, where their children were among the first students of the new Catholic elementary school.

Daisy's old scrapbook includes full page Province newspaper coverage of a 1949 "Rally for Family Prayer" attended by 35,000 people. Whether as a young mother or a retiree, Daisy was very involved in the parish, helping to organize bazaars, prayer vigils, family festivals, luncheons and post-mass coffee gatherings.

She was a member of the H.T. 'Ladies' Auxilliary' and its successor the C.W.L. for over 60 years, and even served a term as President in 1988-1989. She and Art were also extremely active in the North Shore Pro-Life group and in Marriage Encounter.



Daisy says "Although age and arthritis mean I can no longer attend CWL functions, I value the many friends I've made there. Thanks for the great memories, the delightful card, the beautiful birthday flowers, and for your thoughtful efforts to keep me connected with parish life."

FAITH

SERVICE

SOCIAL
JUSTICE

HOLY TRINITY'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY ON JUN 2-4, 2023

Join us in celebrating Holy Trinity's 75th Anniversary on June 2-4, 2023! Our Parish Council needs your help to make the special Sunday lunch reception on June 2nd at 11:30 am to 2 pm a success, following the 10:30am mass celebrated by Archbishop Miller.

Here's how you can contribute:

1. Volunteer to assist in food serving to all our parishioners (6-8 volunteers needed)
2. Bring a dozen or more standard-sized cupcakes (any flavour without icing). We'll add a themed icing and arrange them to form a special cupcake collage in the shape of the number "75". Please drop them off at the parish kitchen by 11am on June 2nd.

We're excited to celebrate this milestone with you, and we need your kind and generous support to make it happen. Whether you can help with food service or cupcakes, or both, your contribution is greatly appreciated.

To sign up or ask any questions, please contact Nina Carpio at 778-3217555 or email her at nina_carpio@yahoo.com.

Let's make this celebration unforgettable!

HUG BAGS

We are collecting toiletries for the "Helping, Understanding, Giving" gifts we plan to donate to the North Shore Crisis Services Society, for women in need. If, at the April meeting, you took a bag home to fill, please bring it to the May 1 meeting.

If you would like to donate shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, body wash or any other items, please bring them to the meeting. If you cannot attend our meeting on Monday night, contact Linda (778-848-5630 or htcwlpres@gmail.com) and she can arrange to pick up your contribution..

Thank you for your support of this project.



KEY DAYS IN MAY

- **1. Joseph the Worker**
- 2. Athanasius, Memorial
- **3. Philip and James, Apostles, Feast**
- 10. Damien de Veuster (USA); John of Avila,
- 12. Nereus and Achilleus; Pancras, Martyrs
- **14. Mother's Day**
- **13. Our Lady of Fatima,**
- 15. Isidore the Farmer (USA); Minor Rogation Day,
- 18. John I,
- 20. Bernadine of Siena,
- **21. ASCENSION SUNDAY or the SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, Solemnity**
- 22. Rita of Cascia,
- 25. Bede; Gregory VII; Mary Magdalene de Pazzi,.
- 26. Philip Neri, Memorial
- 27. Augustine of Canterbury
- **28. PENTECOST, Sunday**
- **31. Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Feast**



Our dear friend and long-standing member of Holy Trinity CWL, Gina Galozo, is in need of our support. Let's come together to show her our love and care.

If you would like to volunteer to prepare a meal for Gina, please click on the link below. You will find the dates and address information on the sign-up sheet. Let's make sure Gina feels supported during this difficult time.

<https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/vlq8vg>

Thank you for your kindness and generosity. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to us.

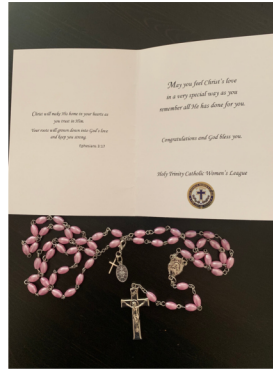
Mission Statement

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.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



As part of our commitment to supporting and nurturing the spiritual growth of our community's youth, the CWL had the honor of presenting the first communicants with heartfelt gifts of cards and rosaries.



CWL VANCOUVER DIOCESAN CONVENTION

Thursday, May 4 – Saturday, May 6, 2023

More information and ON-LINE REGISTRATION AT:

<https://vancouvercwl.ca/events/98-annual-vancouver-diocesan-convention>

Hostesses are still needed for the convention as ushers at Mass on Friday, May 5, from 11:15 am – 1:00 pm.

Contact Linda at 778-848-5630 if you would like to volunteer.

12 HOURS OF PRAYER FOR PALLIATIVE CARE MAY 7-13, 2023

*"Palliative care is an expression of the truly human attitude of taking care of one another, especially of those who suffer. It is a testimony that the human person is always precious, even if marked by illness and old age."
(Pope Francis)*

Until we are certain that good palliative care is available to everyone, members must pray fervently that this mission is achieved. Constant changes or threats to changes to medical assistance in dying (MAID) are frightening, and the vulnerable are feeling threatened rather than cared for. We must work to alleviate that threat so that all may live out their natural lives in accordance with God's word.

"12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care" was chosen to run simultaneously with the Canadian Hospice Palliative Care Association's National Hospice Palliative Care Week, May 7-13, 2023.

WEBINAR

- The Ontario Provincial Council is providing a webinar on the **Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops' Horizons of Hope: A Toolkit for Catholic Parishes on Palliative Care on May 8th from 6:00-8:00 p.m.** CDT. Register through shailaflavy@gmail.com.
- **Accompanying on the Journey, presented by Mary-Anne Parker, an end-of-life researcher working with the Saskatchewan Hospice Palliative Care Association. This webinar will be on May 13, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. CDT.** Register at register.gotowebinar.com/register/5402834542918873181.

[Click to download the "12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care" kit](#)

2023 CWL MEMBERSHIP FEES

Annual CWL membership fees for 2023 are now due and payable at our next CWL General Meeting on Monday, MAY 1ST, 2023.

If you prefer payment can be e-transferred to dianeaddison@telus.net or place in the Sunday collection. Please have envelope addressed CWL Membership. Dues can also be dropped off at HT Church office. Please make cheques payable to Holy Trinity CWL.

New Membership Fees is \$43.00



Please pray for the intentions of

- Gina Galozo
- Terry Ryznar

THE CANADIAN LEAGUE – SPRING 2023



Core Values

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

MOTHER'S DAY

In Canada, Mother's Day is the third most popular holiday after Christmas and Valentine's Day. The celebration is very similar to the celebration in the United States. In Canada, Mother's Day is not a public holiday.

Mother's Day is celebrated across the world, in more than 50 countries, though not all countries celebrate it on the same day.

Early History

Arguably, the tradition of a day to celebrate mothers can be traced back to the times of the ancient Greeks, who held festivities to honour Rhea, the mother of the gods.

Early Christians celebrated the fourth Sunday of Lent as a Mother's festival to honour Mary, the mother of Christ.

In the UK, the tradition of Mother's Day is now very similar to its American counterpart, but its origins are different, as the day commemorates returning to your mother church on the fourth Sunday in Lent.

The English colonists who settled in America discontinued the tradition of Mothering Sunday, as presumably, it would have been a bit of a trip to return to their mother church for the day.

Prayers for Mothers

For all mothers:

That they be supported and encouraged in their special vocation of love for others;
We pray to the Lord.

For the gift of motherhood:

that all might treasure and support God's plan for life and love;
We pray to the Lord.

For all mothers:

that their children will honor their many sacrifices by lives of service and virtue;
We pray to the Lord.

For all mothers who await the birth of a child:

that the Lord protect all unborn sons and daughters and bring them to a safe delivery;
We pray to the Lord.

For all married couples who are struggling with infertility:

that the Lord grant them peace as they hope for the gift of a child;
We pray to the Lord.

For mothers who grieve and mourn, especially those who have lost a child before birth:

that they find consolation in God's promise of life;
We pray to the Lord.



HAPPY
Mother's
DAY



Core Purpose

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

Pro-life Corner

STAND FIRM
Eph 6:14

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE PARLIAMENT HILL OTTAWA
MAY 11, 2023

Visit MARCHFORLIFE.CA for more information on March For Life Week (May 7-12).

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- LIFE ON FILM** JAN 16 - MAY 7
- SONGS FOR LIFE COFFEE HOUSE** MAY 8 | 7:00 PM
- ROE CANADA & ROUND-TABLE DISCUSSION** MAY 9 | 8:00 PM
- CANDLELIGHT VIGIL** MAY 10 | 8:00 PM
- MASSES & PRAYER SERVICES** MAY 11 | 10:00 AM
- NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE RALLY & MARCH** THURSDAY, MAY 11
- ROSE DINNER*** THURSDAY, MAY 11
- YOUTH BANQUET*** THURSDAY, MAY 11
- YOUTH SUMMIT*** FRIDAY, MAY 12



We stand firm for the pre-born, mothers in crisis pregnancies, those targeted due to disability, and the elderly in hospitals and care homes. We march in solidarity with the vulnerable and marginalized.

Watch the video:
<https://youtu.be/xg2bjLN-ol8>

We invite you to join us again for the March for Life in Victoria, BC! This year, we are returning to the front lawn of the BC Parliament Buildings which are home to the Legislative Assembly on **May 11th**.

Bus transportation is available from the North Shore departing @ 7:10 AM from Holy Trinity and 7:30 from St. Anthony's in West Van.

More information contact **Nicole Tancredi** at nickitancredi@gmail.com or 778-886-3340.



NORTH SHORE PRO-LIFE

The members of the Board of the North Shore Pro-Life Society are committed to promoting and defending the right to life from conception to natural end. **We are working to increase the awareness of pro-life issues among North Shore parishioners**

Please visit our website for more information at North Shore Pro-life (northshoreprolife.org) or email northshoreprolife@gmail.com for more details.



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[Clique here](#)

Happy May Birthdays!

Sr. Minerva Boado
Karen Gale
Mary Meakes
Yolanda Newman
Lina Restivo
Tanya Stratis

If someone is missing, please send email to elianests@me.com with name and date of birthday. Thank you.



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