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# ST. LUKE'S CWL



**ANNUAL REPORT  
2021**

**COUNCIL #22**

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# St. Luke's Catholic Women's League of Canada Council #22

## 2021 Annual General Report

### Executive

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**Pam Wilson**

Past President

**Karen Bruch**

President-Elect— Vacant

Treasurer

**Colleen Strueby**

Recording Secretary

Vacant

**Pam Wilson**

Corresponding Secretary

**Salwa Azzam—Oct**

Spiritual

**Donna Widmer**

**Ceciely Ruy**

**Joyce Simoes—June**

Communications

**Marlene Vierboom**

Christian Family Life

Vacant

Community Life

**Alexy Fernandes**

**Salwa Azzam**

Health & Education

**Evelyn Charchuk**

**Gina Hindle**

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## Spiritual Advisor



The spirit of the Lord is upon me  
because he has anointed me to bring good  
news to the poor."  
(Luke 4:18-19)

Things are getting better, and we are soon to celebrate the Lenten season and the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ at Easter. From the difficult times of pandemic, we are starting to see some light and hope of opening the Church to serve in more freedom the people of God.

During this difficult time, we find many helping hands and support from different individuals and groups of our parish. For these we are grateful to God and for them. We hope that this positive trend of recovery will continue and get better everyday to maintain the operation of the Church and to serve the people's spiritual needs.

The CWL is one of them. They are an example of persistence and hard work, not deterred by the difficulty of the situation but continue to operate in doing the service to the community. They continue to meet through zoom and other means of communication to continue their operation as a group in the service of the people of God.

As a Catholic Women's League, they are thriving and striving to grow in faith and in service to the community by doing the basic activities allowed in this time of pandemic.

Through the inspiration and guidance of St. Luke, our patron saint may they grow in holiness and service for the greater glory of God and his kingdom here in Canada.

May the good Lord always bless them as they continue to grow in faith and spirit of service.

Sincerely,

  
Fr. Fernando Genogaling

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## President's Message

My dearest sisters in Christ,

The past year has had many challenges and also many good news stories. As a council we were able to have all our meetings in 2021 starting by zoom and in the fall by in-person and zoom. Having zoom allows members who can't get to the in-person meetings to still participate. It was nice to see faces and connect each month even though we couldn't see the smiles beneath the masks.

I would like to express my appreciation to all those that attended the meetings, both via zoom and in-person, especially in November 2021 and January 2022, to reach our quorum for the Instructed Votes on the changes to the Constitution & Bylaws and the Per Capita fee increase. Our votes have been forwarded to Diocesan and National for voting at the National Convention in August 2022 in Kelowna.

As I enter into my third year as president I'm encouraged by all of you who try to stay connected with the sisters you know and even the ones you don't know. In these last 2 years as president and the restrictions of COVID there are still names that I can't associate with a face. I hope to eventually meet everyone face to face in the future.

I pray that our patroness, Our Lady of Good Counsel, is your source of advise in any decision you need to make. May She watch over us all and interceded for us to Her Son, our Lord and Saviour.

Blessings to you all and your families

*Pam Wilson*

### Executive Changes

Thanks to

Angela Hinsberger (*Corresponding Secretary*)

Ceciely Ruy & Donna Widmer (*Spiritual*)

*Welcome to*

*Corresponding Secretary*— Salwa Azzam

*Health & Education*—Evelyn Charchuk & Gina Hindle

*Spiritual*—Joyce Simoes



**Our Council Charter now hangs on the  
CWL Bulletin Board in the church narthex.**

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## Past President's Message

Dear Sisters in the league

2021 has brought us the opportunity to truly test our strength in many ways. Our council has strived to provide sisterhood in new ways by providing Luke's Links weekly emails, zoom meetings, and in person meetings - socially distant, while always keeping our safety top of mind. Remember we are a strong voice together in Canada for social justice and to support those in need.

A warm hug< virtually, for our executive members who stepped up this year to extend their term of office and a welcoming high five for Evelyn, Joyce and Gina who have joined the executive. I hope all of you take a moment to mediate and listen to Gods call to join or rejoin the St Luke's executive team. I know your support and ideas would be warmly welcomed. We want to insure we can fulfill our Mission of **Faith, Service and Social justice for God and Canada**

I am truly blessed to have you sisters in my life and appreciate all the love and support you have given me over this most difficult year. Even though I may leave the executive at St Luke's I am determined to be always supportive of our St Luke's CWL community and I know there are many brilliant helping hands waiting to step forward.

**THANK YOU**

Respectfully submitted  
*Karen Bruch*

### 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..

#### Core Purpose

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

**Core Values** FAITH - following Catholic teaching

SERVICE - local, national and international

SOCIAL JUSTICE - actively involved in society



## Recording Secretary

### Motions Carried in 2021

**May 15** - *to accept the St Luke's CWL 2021 Budget as presented, all budget numbers will be inserted at the end of the motion to ensure details are retained.*

Moved by Marlene Vierboom, Second Karen Kissar

**October 19** - *to accept that the motions carried at our virtual meetings as follows:*

1. *approve cost of stamps, pen sand other supplies in the amount of \$989.19 for Christmas Card project* Moved By Sylvia Coppicus
2. *approve the February 23, 2020 AGM Minutes* Moved by Pam Wilson
3. *to donate \$ 300. in support of the Bishop McGrattan's Fireside Chat for the Calgary Catholic Education Foundation Telethon* Moved by Pam Wilson
4. *to approve cost of mailing our the; December 2020 newsletter and members ship renewal forms for a total of \$300.* Moved by Colleen Strueby
5. *to donate \$300. to the Bishop's Dinner through Shaw Charity Classic to up the donation by 50% for Feed The Hungary* Moved by Pam Wilson
6. *to obtain ZOOM license at \$ 200. per year to make attending a meeting easier for members who are unable to attend in person.* Moved by Pam Wilson
7. *that the Funeral Account have a budget of \$7200. to cover all funeral appreciation lunches, convenors lunch, charitable donations and other expenses.* Moved by Lil Gelowitz

Moved by Marlene Vierboom, Seconded by Teresa Armanious.

- *that St. Luke's membership fee be \$ 25. or \$40. for 2022 only and \$ 40. for the year 2023 for all members.*

Moved by Marlene Vierboom, Seconded by Teresa Armanious.

**November 2** - *that we donate \$100.00 to the Pastoral Care Residences Ministry.*

Moved by Evelyn Charchuk Second Marlene Vierboom

## Corresponding Secretary

Correspondence January 1—December 31, 2021

*During this past year cards were sent to the family of members who were deceased, to members who were sick, and to service pin recipients.*

**Cards Sent**—Mass & Sympathy - 6 Get Well - 2 Pin Invitations - 68  
Sympathy - 2 An additional 20 cards were sent (without a record)

**Cards /Letters Rec'd** Chalice Children - 2 Thank You - 3 Christmas / Other - 3  
Newsletters/Pamphlets - 2 Donation Requests - 10



*Respectfully submitted, Pam Wilsom*



## Member Appreciation

*Thank you to these long serving members.*

<b>65years</b>	<b>Clara Forre, Anne Pawelek</b>
<b>60 years</b>	<b>Gloria Kaufmann</b>
<b>55 years</b>	<b>Camille Pavan</b>
<b>40 years</b>	<b>Agnes Woods</b>
<b>35 years</b>	<b>Catherine Cameron, Francis Ekvall</b>
<b>30 years</b>	<b>Marie Gurtler</b>
<b>25 years</b>	<b>Delores Cholka, Jean DeSimone</b>
<b>20 years</b>	<b>Virginia Bertram, Helen Hoffart Laurene Yurkovich</b>
<b>15 years</b>	<b>Carmen Kemper, Margaret Vogel Mary Jane Pawelek</b>
<b>10 years</b>	<b>Margaret Siad, Doris Williamson</b>
<b>5 years</b>	<b>Ijeoma Ifeonu, Joan Irwin, Marie Janes, Fernanda Montes Jan Rodak, Lisa Siddons Marlaine Perizzolo, Sharon Stuart</b>

*The Pin Presentation to these members  
took place in November .*



## Membership

*The NEW membership forms for 2021 were mailed all members in late December 2020. Members were also called o remind others to renew and early membership renewals were encouraged by offering prizes. The prizes were donated by these CWL ladies:  
Jean DeSimone, Salwa Azzam and Karen Bruch.*

*Due to COVID restrictions at the church, there were no in-person sales of memberships after the masses this year.*

*We continue to encourage our "Adopt-a-Sister" program (buy a gift membership for someone) that helps to introduce ladies to our council. Associate membership can be purchased for non-Catholics 16 years or older.*

*Our 2021 council membership was 157.*

## Communications

In an effort to keep in touch with our membership during COVID restrictions we introduced a News Flash and News Summary email that encompasses local, provincial and national CWL news for the time of issuance. We formalized this report out in October of 2021 and now call it "LUKES LINKS". It is issued on an irregular frequency due to the variability of the news available to share but typically twice a month. The report has 3 categories: Highlighted Event, St. Luke's CWL and CWL Diocesan News.



We completed the National CWL Annual Survey as required again this year.

We embraced ZOOM technology to conduct our meetings and have members join without leaving their homes. We continue to use ZOOM in conjunction with in person meetings with COVID distancing in the later part of 2021.

PORNOGAPHY HURTS post cards were sent out to all members in December.

*Respectfully submitted    Marlene Vierboom*



## ***League Prayer***

***We humbly pray you, God our Father,  
to bless the Catholic Women's League of Canada.  
Bless our beloved country, our homes and families.***

***Send your Holy Spirit upon us  
To give light to our minds and strength to our wills  
That we may know and fulfill your great law of charity.***

***Teach us to share with others, at home and abroad,  
The good things you have given us.***

***This we ask through Our Lord Jesus Christ  
And the intercession of our patroness,  
Our Lady of Good Counsel.***

***Amen.***



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# Spiritual Development



Due to the COVID restrictions, we came together in small in-person meetings and via Zoom to pray together this year. Each meeting began with a spiritual component.

## February – “Calling Sinners to Repentance”

*“ O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, we may be always truly wise  
and ever rejoice in his consolation, through Christ our Lord.” Amen*  
Gospel Reading – **I have not come to call the righteous to repentance but sinners.**  
*Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.*

## In March – Our understanding of Lectio Divina involves the four steps

- reading a passage from Scripture
- meditating on it to gain some understanding,
- praying to God about its meaning
- and then in contemplation allowing ourselves to absorb the words and be drawn in the presence of God

*Lord, you have given us your Word for a light to shine upon our path, grant us to meditate on your Word and to follow its teaching that we may find in it the light that shines more and more all we do, though Christ our Lord, Amen.*

## April - GOOD Deeds

**It is not the lengthy prayers, but generous deeds that touch God’s heart** (St Arnold Janssen)

All the Holy Spirit wants us to know is that good deeds are indeed rewarded by God not by man, but God still uses man to accomplish his purposes.

## May- The MONTH OF MARY

Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

June’s Meditation: **GOD, I NEED THEE** I need THY sense of Time  
I need THY sense of Order  
I need THY sense of the Future

## A CALL TO SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

*O God, you are always ready to show your loving and compassionate face. I count on your mercy in my life and when I need it the most, I discover that you are already there beside me giving me the courage to love you more deeply. Give me the strength and humility to acknowledge my failings. Help me to feel the touch of your loving embrace. You are my beloved.*

## September What is Prayer?

Prayer is talking to God. Praying doesn’t have to be complicated.

God delights in any simple words we offer him.

### But why pray?

There are several reasons - thanking God for what he has given us, praising God for who he is, asking God for help or telling him that we’re sorry and asking for forgiveness. Or we might simply want to tell God what’s on our hearts.

What should we pray? The Lord’s Prayer

Who are we praying to? –The Trinity God the father, God the son (Jesus), God the Holy Spirit

Address our prayers to God the father, in the name of Jesus (acknowledging that it is because of Jesus’ sacrifice for us that we can come before God), and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

**In October** *Fear not for I am with you, Do not be afraid for I am your God, I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand (Isaiah 41:10)*

**November**—We remembered our Deceased CWL Sisters.

*Eternal Life Grant Unto Them, O Lord.*

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## Christian Family Life & Community Life



In the fall of 2020, we chose to **Adopt-A-Seminarian** and this commitment by our council is for the next 7-8 years. Thus ensuring contact and support throughout his education and training.

Our seminarian is at St. Joseph's in Edmonton.

*"Let me tell you a little bit about myself; I came to Calgary in 2011 as an immigrant, In 2005, I completed my Masters in Social Work, and I worked with children in most of my career. I do not have any family members in Calgary, but I made many friends from church and sports clubs. I like playing cricket in the summer and learned a few new games in seminary, and it is enjoyable to play with other seminarians."* Bennet

Members are encouraged to volunteer to write to our Seminarian one month out of the year (or more if you wish). A simple letter or card of encouragement and prayers is all that is needed. For those who might like to become involved, his address is **Bennet Chacko St Joseph Seminary  
9828 -84 St NW Edmonton T6A 0B2**

Our Quilt Raffle funds were split between **Mt St Francis and Reset** (Servants Anonymous).

Members were invited to support **Pro Life** by donating to the virtual "Hike for Life " and to mail their **Pornography Hurts** postcards to the government.



We continue to support our 2 children thru **Chalice**.

**Craft Group**— This group of ladies continue their good works. Financial donations were split between **Elizabeth House** and **Help the Needy** and their handicraft donations went to Help the Needy and to our council's **Christmas "Care to Share"** project .

**Card Collection—OLD and NEW** CWL member Sylvia Coppicus has again collected **NEW** Christmas cards, pens, stickers to be distributed to city shelters ( for residents living in them to contact a family member or friend). Postage for the cards was donated by our council (members can also donate cash for the cost of postage). **USED** cards are donated to Mission Council.



**Wrapping Gifts** - These members gathered on December 6 at the Diocesan Centre to wrap gifts for Feed the Hungry.



### **IWIN (I'm Worthy Now) - Human Trafficking**

In June—Twelve backpacks (full of personal items) were assembled and donated to Hope Restored in Saskatoon for distribution to their clients.

Our members helped assemble and deliver the parish's **Christmas Hampers**. on December 19.

**Christmas "Care to Share"** - Our annual collection of gifts for Calgary's needy families went to "Magic of Christmas"

*May we be faithful to our League Prayer,  
Always aware of the needs of others and seek justice for all,  
With love. Amen*

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## Health & Education

In June Guest Speaker Greg Hovdebo from Bethany Care Foundation gave a presentation on the Spiritual Care program at the Bethan Care Centres. They do an annual “Blessing of the Hands” for all staff and volunteers. It is like a “Spa for the Soul”. The Spiritual Care program provides everyone the support of all faith expressions in a safe environment.

On October 19<sup>th</sup>, Deacon Michael Soentgerath gave a presentation entitled: “Taking a look at Mental Health, from a spiritual/pastoral perspective”. The presentation helped sensitize us to the special needs of the person afflicted with mental health challenges and how we as fellow Christians, can journey with others in a positive way so as to help them validate more of their abilities than their disabilities.

St. Luke’s CWL 2021 Virginia Klatzel Scholarship: The St. Luke’s CWL Scholarship Committee reviewed applications for this award. One thousand dollars was given out to a post-secondary student whose application package met the requirements.

*Respectfully submitted by Gina Hindle and Evelyn Charchuk*



### St. Luke’s CWL2021 Virginia Klatzel Scholarship

During this pandemic year, we received just one application for the \$1,000 St. Luke’s CWL scholarship, which made the decision on the part of the committee an easy one. John Wakeman, grandson of CWL member Joan Irwin, was chosen as the 2021 recipient.

It was our pleasure to serve as the scholarship committee and look forward to a more normal year in which hopefully a greater number of St. Luke’s CWL members’ relatives will put their names forth for the scholarship.

*Rita Mingo Johnson  
for  
Cristina Marcil  
Charlotte DiLeandro*



### BOOK CLUB 2021 CWL Book Club

Due to the continuing uncertainty caused by the Covid pandemic, we were only able to meet three times..

However, we have added another meeting to each calendar year and will now gather five times (on the second Tuesday of September, November, February, April and June). All meetings are at 1:30 p.m. in Room 3. Hopefully we will soon be able to meet safely on the scheduled dates.

We have read and discussed forty-four books over the eleven years that we have been meeting. At our next meeting (scheduled for February 2022), the author of the book we will be discussing will join us virtually from British Columbia; we are all looking forward to interacting with her and having our discussion enriched by her presence.

Thanks again to the wonderful ladies who faithfully come to book club meetings. Our discussions are always interesting (usually involving quite different opinions about the books) and our friendships are something to be treasured.

Respectfully submitted, Lorraine Maduck

## Funeral Receptions

Due to the COVID restrictions in place , we were unable to provide funeral receptions for any family whose funeral was here at St. Luke's.



### Honour Guard

In 2021 we formed an Honour Guard for our CWL sister, Sheila Stanley

Unfortunately due to the COVID 19, we were unable to do one for several other sisters who passed this year.

Our practice of remembering and honouring our deceased sisters, who died in 2021, took place at our November General Meeting,

These names along with all our deceased sisters are inscribed in our Council's Book of Life and also included in the National CWL Book of Life.

**THANK YOU to Betty Miller who has updated our book every year.**



*In Our Book of Life  
we remember and  
pray for these CWL Sisters.*

*Leona Pepin (2018)  
Sheila Stanley  
Mary Christe  
Mary Forkheim  
Maria Kotowski  
Elaine Taylor  
Jean Gaucher*

*May their souls and all the  
souls of the faithful departed  
rest in peace.*

**GENERAL ACCOUNT - Income Statement for the Year Ending December 31, 2021**

<b>Opening Balance January 1, 2021</b>	\$ 7,417.26	
<b>REVENUE</b>		*Charity Donations - 2021
<b>Membership</b>	\$3,925.00	
Membership (Prepay Next Year)	\$75.00	**Donations approved
Membership (Previous Years )	\$50.00	<u>General Account</u>
Adopt a Sister	\$5.00	St. Luke's Roof Repair
Xmas Market	\$7,179.59	Calgary's Inter-Faith Furniture
Garage Sale	\$0.00	Catholic Mission in Canada
AGM Tickets	\$0.00	L'Arche
Missal Sales ( )	\$0.00	Calgary Women's Shelter
Pro Life Rose Sale	\$0.00	St. Mary's Chair
Retreat	\$0.00	Foundation of St. Joseph Sem
Bottles (Recycling)	\$249.87	Feed the Hungry <u>\$300.00</u>
Funeral Income	\$1,306.61	
<b>Total Revenue</b>	\$12,791.07	<b>General Account Donations <u>\$300.00</u></b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		<u>Funeral Account</u>
Membership	\$3,634.00	Elizabeth House
Membership Insurance	-\$6.25	Childrens' Cottage Society
Xmas Market Expenses	\$644.74	St. Luke's Church (Kitchen Supplies)
Xmas Market - Square Usage Cost	\$23.13	Bethany Care Foundation
AGM (2020)	\$24.14	Fr. Lacombe Care
Convention (2020)	\$40.00	Feed the Hungry
Greeting Cards for Corresponding Sec	\$21.00	Elizabeth House
Service Pins	\$129.00	Chalice <u>\$792.00</u>
Postage - Newsletter	\$0.00	
Calgary Regional Membership Dues	\$40.00	<b>Funeral Account Donations <u>\$792.00</u></b>
Newsletter/Printing Costs (2020)	\$449.06	
Mass Cards	\$40.00	
Postage	\$0.00	
Pastor Gifts	\$0.00	Combined <u>\$1,092.00</u>
Scholarship	\$1,000.00	
Stamps for Xmas Cards	\$966.00	
Three Cups of Tea (2020)	\$21.71	
Zoom	\$157.50	
Bank Charges	\$54.00	
Photocopy	\$0.00	
Honorarium	\$200.00	
Kitchen Expenses (Funeral)	\$0.00	
Funeral Expenses	\$862.45	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$8,300.48	
2021 Net Income	\$4,490.59	
*Charity Donations 2021	\$1,092.00	
<b>Closing Balance - December 31 2021</b>	<u>\$ 10,815.85</u>	

Submitted by: Colleen Strueby

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# Meetings & Activities

**EXECUTIVE MEETINGS** - January—June , Sept—December  
were held via ZOOM and some in-person

**February** - General Meeting via Zoom

- **Installation of our new CWL Executive** after Mass with Fr. Fernando
- Second Friday of Lent we led the **Stations of the Cross**

**March** - General Meeting via Zoom

- **25 Zoom Prayer meeting** for the safe return of Michael Spavor, whose mother was a St Luke's CWL sister.
- **collection of Christmas cards**

**April** - General Meeting via Zoom

- **18 Our 2020 Scholarship** presented to Chi Chi Igbelina after 8:30 Mass
  - **Memorial for our deceased 2020** members at 10:30 Mass
  - **26 Our Lady of Good Counsel Feast day** – Mass prayed for the living and deceased members of our CWL.
- Started a **NEW FUNDRAISER - Recycling**

**May** -**Annual General Meeting** via Zoom

*(An annual general meetings must be held within 15 months of the previous meeting)*

**June** - **GM In-Person—Welcomed new executive members.**

**Guest Speaker**, Greg Hovdebo – Senior Development Officer Bethany Care Foundation

**September** - **GM—Reviewed proposed National dues increase in 2023** from \$13.00 to \$25.00.

In 2022 members will have the option of paying \$25. OR \$40.

Reviewed **the change in Patroness** to Our Lady of Guadalupe

**October** - General Meeting

**Guest Speaker—Deacon Michael Soentgeratl –**

*Mental Health from a Pastoral /Spiritual Perspective.*

**November—GM -INSTRUCTED VOTES -National per capita fee in 2023 from \$13. to \$25. PASSED**

**-Change in Patroness to Our Lady of Guadalupe. DEFECTED**

- **21 Service Pin Presentation to 68 members (2020/2021)**

**Delivered Christmas cards to Drop –In Centre**

**December 4 - Christmas Market**

Members wrapped gifts (Feed the Hungry), collected Care to Share gifts for Magic of Christmas and helped with Christmas hampers.

**Thank you to those members who acted a meeting greeters.**

We set up with Bottle Drop (near Canada Olympic Park,) the ability for all St. Luke's Parishioners to donate their recyclable bottles/cans to St. Luke's CWL.

**NEW FUNDRAISER—Recycling**

Bottle Drive - An account called St. Luke's Catholic Church – Calgary has been created. We will receive cheques sent to the church addressed attention: Treasurer, St. Luke's CWL.

People may donate 3 ways:

1. If you already have a personal account with Bottle Drop, you can select to transfer funds in your account and donate funds to St. Luke's Catholic Church.
2. You can take your bottles to Bowridge Bottle Depot and tell them they are for St. Luke's Catholic Church account.
3. Request a pick-up - again say it is for St. Luke's Catholic Church account, however there is a 15% fee that will be taken off bottle return for this.

We will organize a bottle drive or bottle collection event when safe to do so.

Marlene Vierboom -



**Christmas Market Saturday, Dec 4**

We held a Christmas Market after a long hiatus of hosting a fund-raising event due to COVID. Although COVID restrictions we still in place at this time we conducted the event monitoring the 1/3 capacity, face masks wearing, distancing, cleaning and hand sanitizer requirements.

<b><u>Table sales</u></b>	<b>Pie Sales -</b>	<b>\$1,091.10</b>
	<b>Bake Sales -</b>	<b>\$1,161.00</b>
	<b>Craft Sales –</b>	<b>\$986.09</b>
	<b>Quilt Raffle (quilt, art work and cash prizes) -</b>	<b>\$2,820.73 *</b>
	<b>Basket Raffle and Basket Sales -</b>	<b>\$703.00</b>
	<b>Donations -</b>	<b>\$70.00</b>
	<b>Less Market General Expenses -</b>	<b>&lt; \$320.20 &gt;</b>
	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$6,511.72</b>

\*Quilt Raffle – Designated Donations: ½ to Mt. St. Francis, ½ to Reset

**Two other sale tables** - Card sales for Mission Council

Red shirts & 100 Yr Pins--proceeds to CWL Diocesan Sales for the 100th Anniversary

A sincere thank to all who volunteered and shopped the St. Luke's CWL Christmas Market, in particular, I would like to thank my section leads: **Lil G.** – Pie Making, **Sylvia C.** – Craft Sale, **Karen B.** – Bake Sale, **Pam W.** – Safety Coordinator, **Marie B.** – Advertising

**Basket Raffle** -We had 11 baskets that were drawn for from a total of 189 tickets sold.

We extended the sale to Sunday, after the morning Masses. Many of the leftover items were donated to the Magic of Christmas, residents of Carroll Place and to St. Luke's Church.

Respectfully Submitted, Marlene Vierboom  
Convener

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Let us continue to **Care For Our Common Home.**

**2021** *CWL National Theme*



As we leave 2021, **Thank You to All**  
who have attended meetings in person and  
on the computer via Zoom,  
**To all** who donated their time to our  
projects .

Let us look forward to celebrating with our  
Diocesan Sisters  
our 100 year Anniversary  
**April 29—May 1, 2022**

May Our Lady of Good Counsel  
guide and inspire us in this coming year.

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## Instructed Vote 2022

Over several meetings in 2021 the National proposed amendments to the Constitution & By-laws (C&B) for the Instructed Vote have been reviewed.

There are 8 amendments.

The current C&B 2013 and in 2018 the Catholic Women's League of Canada Plans Strategically was created. This set in motion required changes to the C&B. The committee composed of many members from honorary life members to national executives, to implementation committee working groups worked over 2018, 2019 and 2020 to pull together the amendments needed to the response by many CWL members across the country.

### **Amendment I: Annual Meeting of Members**

change wording from convention to Meeting of Members.

**Amendment II: Patroness** change from Our Lady of Good Counsel to Our Lady of Guadalupe

**Amendment III: Officers** change president-elect to vice-president and change secretary (1 or 2) to secretary.

**Amendment IV: Duties of Officers** vice-president to serve as president after term of vice-president.

**Amendment V: Standing Committees** change to reflect our core values of Faith, Service, and Social Justice

**Amendment VI: Meeting and Quorums** change that meetings can be held electronically (via zoom) for keep the league operational in unprecedented times.

**Amendment VII: Eligibility, Nominations and Elections** change elected terms to not exceed 1 full term in same position except chairpersons and treasurer. Chairperson given different committee.

**Amendment VIII: Eligibility, Nominations and Elections** election of officers in instructed vote to be deemed first ballot.

**National Per Capita Fee Increase** from \$13.00 to \$25.00 effective in 2023. League would be forced to dissolve in 2026 without this increase.

Instructed Voting will occur for Amendment II and Per Capita fee increase on November 16.

To carry Yes votes must be two-thirds of quorum.