

St. Luke's CWL NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME!

Membership to the St. Luke's Catholic Women's League has many benefits.

There are 52 Reasons to Talk about the CWL.

- 4) Belonging - Do you want to grow your faith, serve your community, act on social justice issues and be supported by a sisterhood that embraces these core values? If so...WELCOME to the Catholic Women's League...you belong with us.
- 5) Change - Are you ready to transform your spiritual life, serve others and act on social justice issues? This change is possible when you join the Catholic Women's League. It has all these values at the heart of its mission.
- 6) Charity - Catholic Women's League councils provide an opportunity for others to contribute monetary aid through fundraising activities that create awareness and community building. Be part of this organization that gives to others.
- 7) Compassion - Do you recognize the human dignity in all people? Do you feel motivated to do something to help others? Catholic Women's League members embark on many projects that directly impact those who are disadvantaged in society. How can you help? Become a member and be part of the solution.



Fall is upon us and soon winter will appear. Let us rejoice in the blessings the Lord has given us so far in 2024. There may have been many hardship too and with God's mercy and love we have survived and will glory in the Lord's blessings.



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Dear Sisters in Christ,

A lot has happened since January began.

My parents moved into assisted living. And we got their house sold. So it is a new chapter in their lives.

As we move into Fall, I look outside at the pouring rain today and wonder at God's plan. We could have used the rain earlier in the year but mine is not to question why. Do you question God's plan? I'm sure we all do at some point in our lives. I try to leave my questions and strifes with the Lord each night and ask that he give me some type of answer or sign in the morning. He usually does when I reflect back. With Him all things are possible.

Since the last newsletter the St. Luke's CWL have gained 12 new members of which 5 are from the RCIA program. Joining is a wonderful way for new Catholics to embrace the sisterhood of the CWL and grow is so many ways.

Sincerely

Pam

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IMPORTANT DATES AND REMINDERS

St. Lukes' Meetings: All are Welcome

October 15 - General Meeting - in the MPR - Guest speaker on travel for seniors - 7:30pm

November 19- Memorial for Deceased Members and General Meeting - in the MPR - 1:00pm

December 8 - Celebration of Service Pins and Brunch - following the 10:30am Mass

Calgary Regional Meetings: All are welcome

October 7 - 7pm Holy Trinity Church, 1525 45 St SE

December 2 - 7pm St. Mary's, 219 18 Ave SW

Diocesan Meetings: All are welcome

September 28 - 8:30am - All Saints Parish Lethbridge

Registration by Sept 23 - Contact Pam Wilson

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

CHRISTMAS MARKET

Saturday November 23 in MPR

Would you like to be part of “CWL Bakes”?

We are looking for favourite recipes for cookies or other items that can become our signature baked item. Submit to Marlene Vierboom - Communications Chair.

More details to follow in Luke’s Links.

All baking and preserves will be accepted for the bake table too. We will have apples pies and a few saskatoon pies again this year.

QUICK LINKS

Calgary Diocesan CWL
calgarycwl.ca

Alberta-MacKenzie CWL
cwlabmk.ca

National CWL cwl.ca

Calgary Diocese
<https://www.catholicyc.ca/>

WISDOM - James 3:13-17

Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom.

But if you harbour bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast about it or deny the truth.

Such “wisdom” does not come down from heaven but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic.

For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice.

But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.

Quote: Wisdom is the power to put our time and our knowledge to the proper use.

Thomas J. Watson



April 23 we held our Annual Garage Sale. For many, many years Joan Sikora organized the sale. Just a few days before the sale, Joan passed away. We dedicated this Garage Sale to Joan. All proceeds from the religious items, and the sale of the two donated books: Italian Cooking and Kitten's in the Garden were donated to the Calgary Food Bank on behalf of Joan. She will be greatly missed.

Rest in Peace Joan.



102nd Diocese of Calgary CWL Convention

The convention was so much fun with these ladies. Judi C, Pam W, Karen B and Betty P. We connected with sisters / friends from all over the diocese and made new friends too.

Wonderful speakers and insightful topics for contemplation.

If you ever get a chance to attend a diocesan convention I strongly encourage you to do so. You won't be disappointed.

At the General Meeting in May, Lucille Laliberte helps us make greeting cards. Lucille has a great eye for putting together cards and enjoys going to a couple of card making retreats each year.

It was exciting to create a handmade card.

Thank you Lucille

Bk L-R: Pam W, Teresa A, Judi C, Gina H, Virginia B, Lucille L, Marilyn H

Frt L-R: Marie B, Carmel D, Betty P, Celine G





77th Annual Convention - Alberta Mackenzie Provincial Council

Several St. Luke's members attended this years convention. Pam W, Valerie M, Louise L, Sylvia C, Karen B, & Christine S.

I had the opportunity to meet Deanna from Lloydminster, SK. She is a good friend of a lady, my husband, Peter, grew up with in Uranium City.

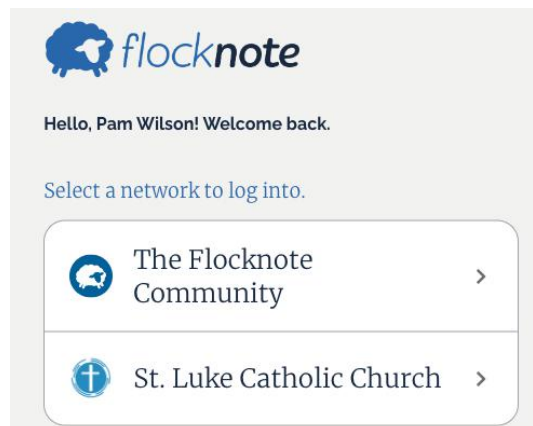
It is truly amazing how everyone is connected in one way or another. It really is true that you are only 3 people away from someone you know.

NEW CWL MEMBERS



L-R: Teresa A, (Secretary) Janet S, Valerie F, Anita B, Rosalie H, Michele H, Trudy H, and Pam W. (President)

- St. Luke's FlockNote is a new way for the church and parish ministries to connect with parishioners and members of organizations like CWL and KoC.
- It will enable parishioners to register for classes and events. Follow Linked groups. Volunteers for events.
- It enables ministries and the church to send emails and texts messages to ensure all parishioners that are members get up to date information in a timely manner.
- All CWL members will be added to become members of FlockNote. Emails and Cellphone numbers only. Please ensure CWL has your cell phone#. Contact Pam Wilson.



CWL RAFFLE

ST. LUKE'S CWL ANNUAL FUND RAISER November 23, 2024

Christmas Market & Raffle

CWL is holding a Christmas Market and Raffle this year. Your support is needed to make it successful. Raffle tickets are enclosed with funds going to RESET (previous known as Servants Anonymous) and Brown Bagging for Calgary's Kids.

Prizes

This year's prizes are:

1. "The Flower Gatherer" a pastel painting by Shelagh Tranter. A member of The Calgary Community Painters Society
2. Handmade Quilt and pillows featuring dog prints by Gisele Pflug from the CWL Crafty Ladies
3. Crochet Afghan handmade by Ella Heppler donated by Pam Wilson
4. Cash Prize \$100

A BIG Thank you

To all CWL Members and parishioners who so generously support our Raffle each year.

"Sharing with others the gifts that God has given us."



Ticket Information

Draw November 23, 2024.

Ticket \$2.00 each, \$20.00 per book.

Returning tickets is easy:

Put the money and stubs in an envelope and:

* drop in the collection box any Sunday **before Nov. 17, 2024**

* leave at Parish Office **by Nov. 18, 2024**

*Extra tickets available at the Parish Office or call Pam Wilson at: 403-807-7409