

President Communique  
April 11, 2024

2023-2025/4

Dear Sisters in the League and Fr. John Garden,  
I want to encourage all of you to say the national prayer “Here I am Lord, Send Me” each day. This prayer by our national spiritual advisor Bishop Wayne Lobsinger is filled with wisdom and reminds us of our purpose as League members. You received 2 copies in the fall League magazine.

### **The Environment**

Did you know that Pope Francis has added an 8th tenet to the corporal works of mercy? It is to Care for our Common Home. There are many ways to do this, namely by materially reducing, reusing, recycling, repurposing, regifting and conserving water. I know some councils clean their neighborhoods and parks annually/biannually by picking up trash. We live in a beautiful province, let’s keep it clean.

Earth Day is on April 22nd and each council should try and do a specific project each year.

Pope Francis reminds us, “Small yet strong in love of God, like Saint Francis of Assisi, all of us, as Christians, are called to watch over and protect the fragile world in which we live, and all its peoples.” (Evangelii Gaudium)

### **Euthanasia Prevention Coalition**

This is a very worthwhile organization and needs to be supported. Councils can both join and donate to them. It is especially important now because of the government’s plans to expand MAiD to the mentally ill.

It is also very important to keep writing letters to the federal government on the sanctity of life.

### **Kamloops Provincial Convention**

Please remember to inspire, encourage and make it possible for your members to attend this very worthwhile gathering. Our national president Shari Guinta will be attending. There is a direct correlation between vibrant, active councils and those attending conventions.

Please remember to wear your country of origin’s ethnic costume or hat and /or bring your flag to the Saturday morning immigration workshop. Have fun and prepare now what you plan to wear. This will be an interactive, fun, educational chance to learn about immigrants and how to invite them to become Catholic Women’s League members. Thank you!  
I send my prayers and best wishes to all dioceses for the success of their 2024 diocesan conventions.

## **National convention**

You can now register online for the national convention virtually. The cost is \$20 and well worth the time and effort to attend. There will be a new format for the convention with few reports and more workshops. If you can't be there in person take this inexpensive, wonderful opportunity to attend.

## **Catholic Girl's League**

This organization is for young girls aged 10-15 years old. The CGL manual # 647 is under resources on the national website. For 15 years our local council has had a CGL. I recently visited it and encouraged the girls to join the Catholic women's League when they turn 16 years old. I also invited their moms to join as well. They do projects under faith, friendship, formation and fun. The purpose of the CGL is to train future leaders, leaders that are so important in our society today.

## **Important reminders.**

When emailing, send executive names under Bcc with your own name in the TO heading.

Secondly, all general correspondence goes out in BC/Yukon on Thursdays only. Kathy Weswick, our secretary, will send communiques to our provincial executive and put it on the website.

The rest of the provincial executive is responsible for sending their communiques to their diocesan and national counterparts.

## **Dates to Remember**

Earth Day	April 22,2024
Victoria March for Life	May 9,2024
Kamloops provincial convention	June 20-22,2024
Saskatoon national convention	August 11-13,2024