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CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

PRESIDENT S MESSAGE

Welcome Back!

My Dear CWL Sisters,

As we complete 2019, we remain focused on our environment, particularly with the Federal election just around the corner what do our Members of Parliament have to say and are committed to do. At our meetings members watched videos about plastic, water main infrastructure needing repair, flushable wipes, provided information pamphlets, web sites, discussion on water conservation and participated in National s CWL water challenge.

During our meetings we lug a mug to reduce waste particularly the use of styrofoam and plastic cups, not to mention part of our 50/50 draw prizes were handing out several reusable water bottles. Our work continues in prayer and action as in Canada there are people who do not have the luxury of drinking water in their homes and communities.

Our annual Christmas bazaar will be held on Saturday November 2nd; if you have items that you would like to donate and do not have the means to get them to St. Peters parish hall, please contact us to make pick up arrangements. Appreciate your support!

Autumn Prayer

O God of Creation, you have blessed us with the changing of the seasons.

As we embrace these autumn months, may the earlier setting of the sun remind us to take time to rest.

May the crunch of the leaves beneath our feet

remind us of the brevity of this earthly life.

May the steam of our breath in the cool air remind us that it is you who give us your breath of life.

May the scurrying of the squirrels and the migration of the birds remind us that you call us to follow your will.

We praise you for your goodness forever and ever. Amen.

MEMBERSHIP - Recruit, Sustain & Welcome

Memberships are due by January 1st each year, and are payable to the National office by February 28. Our 2020 Membership drive will be held the weekends of October 19/20 and November 16/17 before and after Masses.

Please come and see us in the Narthex. Please bring the membership form included with this newsletter with your name, address, telephone number and email address, and pick up your membership card. The membership fee is \$25.00. Cheques should be made payable to St. Peter s CWL.

You will note that there is **no longer a pink envelope for CWL membership** in the Offertory envelopes.

You may also pay by way of the Sunday collection (or mail to 533 Clarence St. London N6A 3N1) clearly marking the envelope CWL. If you have any questions please call Jo Guth at 519 672-7479 or email jguth@execulink.com.

To save postage costs, membership cards will be mailed with our newsletters. For those who paid 2019 dues after the February 2019 newsletter, your card is enclosed.

Thank you to those who have already paid! Your 2020 Membership Card is enclosed.

RECENT EVENTS - 2019

World Day of Prayer was held at St. Peter's Cathedral on Friday, March 1. A reception followed in the Parish Centre. Thanks to all who helped make the event a success, especially **Marie Sawa** who was our parish representative.

Our **June 1** breakfast meeting was again held at the Ivey Spencer Lodge. Pins were awarded to the following: **10 years -** Josie Biviano, Joan Flynn, Cathryn Hall, RoseMarie Kucharuk, Jeanne Latella, Mary Macht and Mary Quigley. **25 years -** Patricia Robbins and Lucille Vita. A number of recipients were not in attendance; arrangements were made and the pins were delivered.

FUTURE EVENTS - Fall & Winter 2019/20

Preparations for the **Christmas Bazaar** to be held on **November 2, 2019** are well under way. Apple pies will be assembled on **October 5**, to be sold at the Bazaar. **Donations** may be dropped off on **Sunday, October 20 and October 27** in Room 105 between **9:00 a.m. up to 12:30 p.m. Mass.** We will also accept donations on October 31 and November 1 between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Please save these dates on your calendar!!!!

Our next meetings will be held on the following Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. in Room 105: Oct. 5, Nov 9, Dec. 7, 2019 and Jan 4, Feb. 8, Mar. 7, Apr.4, May 9 and June 6, 2020. Any changes will be posted in the bulletin.

Membership Drive: Before and after all Masses the weekends of October 19/20 and November 16/17, 2019.

Public Square Rosary Rally - in the Bandshell, Victoria Park on Saturday, **October 12, 2019** at 11:55 a.m.

Fall Regional Day - Saturday, **October 19, 2019** at Holy Angels Parish, 502 Talbot St. St. Thomas. **Registration at 8:30. Program begins 9:00 a.m.** Lunch provided.

Christmas Bazaar - Saturday, November 2, 2019. If you would like to help at this fund raiser, please call Mary Quigley at 519 641-0790 or email Mary at maryq@rogers.com, or Jo Guth at 519 672-7479 or email jguth@execulink.com

Treat Trays- we will be assembling trays in December - calling on bakers, candy makers, etc. to bring your treats - date to be announced.

Mass for the Unborn & their Mothers - Friday, Dec. 27, 2019. Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet at 7:00 p.m. and Mass at 7:30 p.m.

Lenten Lunches - beginning Ash Wednesday, **February 26, 2020** and each Wednesday of Lent after the 12:05 Mass, except during Holy Week.

100th Annual London Diocesan Convention - to be held April 28 - 30, 2020 in Chatham.

Do you know?

We will cater funeral receptions for our CWL members at the request of the family

A monthly Mass is offered for the Living & Deceased Members of St. Peter s CWL

IN MEMORIUM

Maria Pasquini - March 7, 2019 Mary Ducharme - April 1, 2019 Catherine (Kay) Capitano - June 18, 2019 Barbara Currie - August 27, 2019

LORD, LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE ON ME

As the sun rises, Lord, Let your light shine on me.

Destroy the darkness about me, Scatter the darkness before me,

Disperse the darkness behind me, Dispel the darkness within me.

Let your light shine on me.

As the sun rises, Lord, Let your light shine on me.
The warmth of your Presence, The brightness of your love,
The radiance of your joy, The shining of your hope.
Let your light shine on me.

As the sun rises, Lord, Let your light shine on me.
Your light to guide, Your light to lead,
Your light to direct, Your light to brighten.
Let your light shine on me.

David Adam

After our CWL Prayers at the funeral home Visitation for Catherine Capitano, a number of people spoke. Catherine's youngest daughter shared the following which she said her mother carried with her:

Essentials for a CWL Member

- ... a RUBBER BAND to remind you of hugging and time when you want to receive one
- ... a BUTTON to remind you to button your lips to keep from saying mean things about others or talking when it is not appropriate
- ... a TOOTHPICK to remind you to pick out the good qualities of everyone (including yourself)
- ... a CANDY KISS to remind you that everyone needs a kiss or a treat and to look for the times to give one
- ... a GOLD THREAD to remind you that friendship is a golden thread that ties together everyone s heart
- ... a ERASER to remind you that everyone makes mistakes and you need to forgive yourself and others just as God forgives you
- ... a PENNY to remind you that you are never completely broke