

August 2017.

Dear Members of the League:

Once again the summer has move on and it looks like we have fall once again. Since my last communique life has changed considerably. I now am getting settled into the St. Mary Parish in Regina. It going to quite different with staff in the office Tuesday to Friday; no Saturday evening Eucharist, but there is eucharist Saturday morning (7:30 so it really won't interfere with Saturday meetings.)

Its almost time to make sauerkraut from the cabbage in my garden at Peebles. Oh the wonderful taste of homemade sauerkraut. Of course. I am a little biased.

April 23 – 24 gave me the opportunity to attend the Archdiocesan convention in Shaunavon. The planning committee did a very good job having the Sunday – Monday well organized. It is certainly a big task to organize such an event when numbers and time are so limited. The church looked great with many of the pews draped with prayer quilts which were blessed by Archbishop Bolen at the closing Eucharist. What a great ministry for the Catholic Women's League.

June 5th and 6th gave an opportunity meet once more with women from all over the province at the Provincial Convention in North Battleford. Once more it was a great time to enjoy meeting new people and renewing friendships and catching up on some of the news. In sharing the work of the League that goes on in all the different areas of the province I believe it is a real gift to be able to support one another in the league and to see how over the province "inspired by the Spirit Women respond to God's call".

Most recently, August 6 – 9, I was gifted with the opportunity to attend the National Convention in Charlottetown. There was a wonderful attendance and a great spirit. We were reminded many times that we are celebrating the 150th anniversary of confederation. The presentations were uplifting as well as challenging and the atmosphere was great. It was certainly wonderful to see Canadian Catholic women coming together from the provinces and territories to be "Inspired by the Spirit" and to be ready and willing to "Respond to God's call". There were opportunities to spend time with the members from our Archdiocese and also from Saskatchewan. The food made the visits even better.

I will be attending the Weyburn Regional meeting on September 23 which will be host by the Montmartre Council.

I look forward the coming year praying that we all will be "Inspired by the Spirit" and "Respond to God's call".

Sincerely,

Fr. Ed.