

Regina Diocesan Education and Health Communiqué #1 September 2019

To: CWL Parish Education and Health Chairpersons
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Literacy and Continuing Education

- The Catholic Women's League was formed to help new citizens of Canada. New immigrants need our help in learning to speak and write an official language. Several councils are helping new citizens learn new literary skills; this is a perfect opportunity for CWL members and/or the parish pastoral council to work in cooperation to welcome, to mentor or tutor, and to educate.

Scholarships and Bursaries

- Have you looked at the newly revised Campion College website at the University of Regina (<https://campioncollege.ca/scholarships>)? The Regina Archdiocesan Catholic Women's League Scholarship for \$1,000 is listed together with the criteria: this is an entrance scholarship awarded to a full-time Campion College student who is the son/daughter of a CWL member. This year's recipient is Jakov Simic.

Wellness and Sickness/Disease

- Executive Director of Euthanasia Prevention Coalition, Alex Schadenberg, is focusing on finding stories to "challenge the narrative that all is well with euthanasia in Canada..." (August 15, 2019 newsletter). Mr. Schadenberg would welcome stories that negate this "all is well" concept; these may be mailed to Euthanasia Prevention Coalition, Box 25033 London, ON N6C 6A8 Canada or Email info@epcc.ca

Environment

- Pope Francis' Encyclical Letter *Laudato Si', mi' Signore* (translated: "Praise be to you, my Lord") *on Care for Our Common Home* calls all of humanity to a "profound interior conversion," "an ecological conversion" (*Laudato Si'* 217). Pray, reflect and act.
- Presentations at the National CWL Convention in Calgary (August 2019) provide detailed reflections.
- Perhaps your council could view and reflect on these very worthwhile PowerPoints: "Living Laudato Si': Practical Tools on How We Can Care for Our Common Home" by Dr. Peter Baltutis; "The Call to Not Commodify: A Conversation on Relationships" by Timothy Harvie, PHD, LICDD; and, informative slides within Marilou LeGeyt's "Carbo Conversations." LeGeyt also provides several links within the PPT which are informative.
- As a part of God's creation, we are the stewards, called to protect, understand and value this great gift of diverse but integrated ecology – the very basis of life sustenance.