Regina Diocesan LEGISLATION COMMUNIQUE #1 November 2019

To: CWL Parish Legislation ChairpersonsFrom: Blanche Bellerive

Greetings! My name is Blanche Bellerive and I am your legislation chairperson for the next 2 years. First of all, my apologies for not providing a Communiqué for the August mail-out. I must admit that I put CWL "on the shelf" for the summer and was unable to make the deadline. Our family has a cottage at Regina Beach and much time was spent out there relaxing this summer. In Regina, we live in a condo at Gryphons Walk and belong to St. Anne Parish. I was president of CWL there for a term a few years ago. My mother was very active in CWL at Sacred Heart Parish for many years. I have been a member since the 1980's, not always active, but have been when I could. I work full time as an optometrist. My husband David and I have a grown daughter and son, both still in University. I hope to be able to fulfill my role as best I can on the Diocesan Council.

As I reported in my Resolutions Communiqué, two resolutions were brought to the floor of the National Convention and adopted. Resolution 2019.02 Canadian Support for the United Nations treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons falls under the legislation standing committee.

National Chairperson of Legislation Betty Colaneri in the September Communiqué presented the following Action Plan:

- 1. Hold a speaker presentation to inform members of the necessity of banning nuclear weapons and of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons.
- 2. Provide a list of websites and printed materials to members to increase knowledge of the hazards of nuclear warfare.
- 3. Write letters to the Prime Minister and local members of parliament indicating support of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons.
- 4. Monitor the federal government's response to this resolution.

Resolution 2018.03 Framework for Palliative Care

She also suggested that we ask our members to monitor the outcome of the federal election to see what the elected party will do to expedite the Framework on Palliative Care in Canada and the office of palliative care. The framework is available at https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/health-care-system/reports-publications/palliative-care/framework-palliative-care.html for further information from the office for palliative care.

"May Our Lady of Good Counsel guide us on this legislation journey"-Betty.