

Spiritual Development Communique #2 - November, 2017.

Many of our members use Facebook to communicate with family and friends and the League. As we draw near to the Advent season, there are several pages that can make us remember to pause and share a few moments with God on a daily basis during coffee break and lunch.

- Tweeting with God - originated in the Netherlands after engaging with young people about the Catholic faith. This site includes quotes and short inspirational thoughts.
- Magnificat - A daily reflection on the Mass and the Saint of the Day.
- Catholic Saint of the Day daily posts with images and information on the daily saint. This page is from the United States by an organization called U Catholic.
- Salt and Light Media – daily posts with links to news articles, videos and programs. This page is Canadian and is hosted by Salt and Light Catholic Media Foundation.

Role of Women in the Church

Members blessed to be in Charlottetown this summer heard the words to this hymn, "Women of the Church, how rich is your legacy. Women of the Church, how great is your faith. Women of the church, well springs of integrity, lead us to peace". The last 3 Popes, John Paul II, Benedict XVI and His Holiness Pope Francis have commented on the feminine genius and the importance that women have in parishes and communities. Be pleased that God called you to serve in the ministries in your parish.

National Week for Life and Family

The National Week for Life and the Family (May 13-20) is an initiative of the CCCB(www.cccb.ca). The theme for the week of 2018 is "Love Encountering the Other". This year resources were developed by the Catholic Organization for Life and Family (COLF) and may be freely downloaded.

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Our Lady's Feast Day is December 12 and she is the Patroness of the Unborn and the America's. As Catholics we honour life from conception to natural death, so let us pray to Our Lady of Guadalupe to protect the unborn. Mary is shown awaiting the birth of Jesus. Consider celebrating it through prayers and novenas.

A Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe

Virgin of Guadalupe, Patroness of the unborn children, we implore your intercession for each child at risk of abortion.

Help expectant parents to welcome from God the priceless gift of their child's life.

Console parents who have lost that gift through abortion, and lead them to forgiveness and healing through the Divine Mercy of your Son.

Teach us to cherish and to care for family and friends until God calls them home.

Help us never to see others as burdens.

Guide our public officials to defend each and every human life through just laws. Inspire us all to bring our faith into public life to speak for those who have no voice.

We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is love and mercy itself. Amen.