

## The Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption CWL Executive for 2015 to 2017

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Community Life: Elizabeth Delarosbel  
Resolutions/Legislation: Wilda Beaupre  
Parish Activities: Debbie Laframboise

Spiritual Advisor: Monsignor Dave Tramontini

## Upcoming Meetings & Events

### Executive Meetings

August 24  
September 28  
October 26  
November 23

### General Meetings

September 2— Welcome New Members  
October 7—Movie Night complete with popcorn  
November 4—Memorial Service  
December 2 (CWL Christmas Dinner)

**Christmas Bazaar is fast approaching! Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 21st. Watch the bulletin for upcoming bazaar information. We always need volunteers for the bazaar. Contact Lisa Henry at 705-493-4164 if you are able to help.**

THE CATHOLIC  
WOMEN'S LEAGUE  
OF CANADA



*New members are always welcome, as is anyone wishing to join the executive!*

**We are on the web at  
[www.procathedral.ca](http://www.procathedral.ca),  
[www.cwl.ca](http://www.cwl.ca), at [www.cwl.on.ca](http://www.cwl.on.ca)  
and at [ssmcwl.ca](http://ssmcwl.ca)**



## Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption Catholic Women's League

## Ponderings

### Pro-Cathedral CWL Celebrates 95 Years!

On Wednesday, June 3rd, 2015 members of the Pro-Cathedral CWL and members of local CWLs gathered for the June Dinner Meeting Presentation of Service Awards. Along with a number of service award recipients Karen McDonald, Sault Ste. Marie Diocesan CWL President presented a 95th Anniversary Certificate to the ladies of the Pro-Cathedral Council—one of the first councils in our diocese!

The evening also included the celebration of Msgr. Dave Tramontini's 20th year as Spiritual Advisor to the CWL at the Pro-Cathedral. Leading the recognition of service was Past-President Lisa Henry who organized a certificate of appreciation and a video montage of the Monsignor's time with the CWL. A celebration cake topped off the tremendous meal supplied by Diane Esch.



Karen McDonald, newly elected Sault Ste. Marie Diocesan CWL President, presented Diane Carmichael, Pro-Cathedral CWL President, with the CWL Anniversary Certificate for 95 years as a council, one of the first Catholic Women's League Councils in our Diocese, during the annual June Dinner.

### Members of the Pro-Cathedral's CWL Relay to Fight Cancer

Who has not been affected by cancer? A family member? A friend? We all know at least one person who has battled and either won, lost or is still battling this deadly, silent foe. That is why thirteen members of the Pro-Cathedral's CWL formed what could be the longest Relay For Life team name in history—One Heart One Voice One Mission Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption. On Friday, June 12th eleven members of the team relayed for six hours at the Canadian Forces Base North Bay Athletic Field. Raising close to \$2,400 this first-time team worked tirelessly to raise the much needed funds to fight cancer but did it with a great deal of esprit de corps!



One Heart One Voice One Mission Pro-Cathedral Relay For Life 2015 team poses for a group picture. (Left to right) Evelyn Riddell-Gruber, Leah Pierce, Lorraine Atchison, Sister Shannon Hickey, Maudena Farnsworth, Sharon Brown, Wilda Beaupre, Vicki Doucette; (kneeling) Tessa Clermont and Lisa Henry. Absent from the photo: Noelle Sharpe, Elaine Kilroy and Diane Carmichael. *The team raised close to \$2,400!*

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# ONE HEART VOICE MISSION

One heart – filled with mercy, compassion and holiness

One voice – united in harmony to speak the truth with courage and zeal

One mission – witnessing to the Good News of the Gospel through personal encounter and joyful service

## Women Helping Women Tea & Dessert Fundraiser

*I am one of many.  
I belong to a sisterhood  
from which I can draw  
spiritual and temporal  
support, comfort and  
strength in times of need.  
I am reminded of my  
religious teachings and  
responsibilities.  
I am aware of my culture  
and my country.*

On Saturday, June 13th the CWL of the Pro-Cathedral held its first Tea & Dessert Fundraiser to assist three local women's crisis centres: The Ojibway Women's Lodge, Nipissing Transition House and Amelia Rising Sexual Assault Centre of Nipissing. A huge thanks to Debbie Laframboise who, with her band of volunteers, who effortlessly hosted close to one hundred tea-lovers! \$600 was raised and \$200 per organization will go towards supplies for women in crisis.



Lisa Henry, CWL Past President (right), serves Vicki Doucette, Treasurer, during the tea fundraiser.

The Catholic Women's League (CWL) of Canada, founded June 17, 1920, is one of the largest organizations of women in Canada with in excess of 88,000 members represented in every province and territory. The League is organized and pledged to serve all citizens and has often received the commendation and a keen appreciation of federal, provincial and municipal authorities for the voluntary services ably performed by its nationwide membership.

The CWL is a grassroots parish-based organization that is part of the largest national organization of Catholic women in Canada.

### Our Mission

"The Catholic Women's League of Canada is a national organization rooted in gospel values calling its members to holiness through service to the people of God."

### Objectives

Shall be to unite Catholic women of Canada:

- To achieve individual and collective spiritual development
- To promote the teachings of the Catholic church
- To exemplify the Christian ideal in home and family life
- To protect the sanctity of human life
- To enhance the role of women in church and society
- To recognize the human dignity of all people everywhere
- To uphold and defend Christian education and values in the modern world
- To contribute to the understanding and growth of religious freedom, social justice, peace and harmony

### Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption

The CWL welcomes all female members of the parish sixteen years and older. The League is affiliated with the provincial and national groups bearing the same name. The CWL works to enhance the spiritual development and individual development of its members. It is a vehicle for communication and development of Christian fellowship among Catholic women everywhere. Guest speakers are frequently invited to assist in educating or involving members in community resources. Service to the community involves support and participation in many activities including: Catholic Charities, the Gathering Place, post-secondary student bursaries, breakfast programs at three schools and visits to a ward at the Regional Mental Health Centre. Support is also provided to the North Bay Food Bank, VON Meals on Wheels, Right to Life and Birthright. Financial support is given to several provincial and national programs. Our members serve in many areas of our parish community, and their generosity and spirit lives out our mission statement. Meeting times and locations are advertised in the parish bulletin. Along with the national organization, the CWL of the Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption celebrates its 95<sup>th</sup> year in 2015.