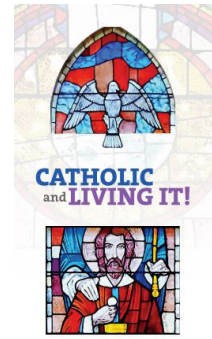




**Hamilton Diocesan Council
of
The Catholic Women's League of Canada**

**CATHOLIC
and LIVING IT!**

***Go Make A Difference!
Sharing His Promise, Love and Hope!***



Is this your first time at a Diocesan Convention?

If you are attending a CWL Diocesan Convention for the first time... WELCOME!

Saturday morning

In the morning there is a pre-convention meeting of parish council presidents, while at the same time council Spiritual Advisors meet to chat about the League. This is followed by a Resolutions Dialogue presented by Diocesan Resolutions Chair Mary Helwig-Hall, where all registered members can attend.

The Opening Eucharistic Celebration begins at 11:00 am with Diocesan Spiritual Advisor Father Ranjan D'Sa as celebrant. An offering will be collected at this Mass for a specific group or organization which will be stated before the Mass.

Members may enjoy a lunch buffet in the ballroom.

Saturday afternoon

The afternoon begins with the business sessions, where reports are given by diocesan officers, provincial representative, and Diocesan Spiritual Advisor. We will have the instructed vote on the amendment to the Constitution & Bylaws.

Parish Councils will give their two minutes report on the "Community Service Project for the Youth".

A beautiful Marian prayer service will uplift your Spirit and we will end the business sessions for the day.

Saturday evening is a time for having fun! We meet for cocktails & banquet. Shortly after, we will have presentations, evening entertainment and a chance to bid at our silent auction. Don't forget your chequebooks!

Sunday

During the morning, we gather for a buffet breakfast and the continuance of business sessions.

A workshop on "Sharing His Promise, Love and Hope" will be given by Provincial President-Elect and Organization Chair, Colleen Martin, which will be interactive and compelling.

We close with Mass at St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Hamilton and reaffirm the elected and appointed Diocesan Officers.

Registration

Simply sign in at the Convention Registration Desk to receive your package.

Seating in the Meeting Room (Main Ballroom)

NOTE that there is reserved seating for the delegates.

White signed tables are for the “voting delegates”, while the blue signed tables are for the “accredited delegates”. Life Members have their own table, which has a statue of Mary on it.

The elected officers and chairpersons, Diocesan Spiritual Advisor, and provincial representative sit at the head table.

Voting

At our convention there are two categories of delegates who have the right to vote on motions: voting and accredited.

A “Voting Delegate” is the parish president or her designate. They may vote on ALL issues.

“Accredited Delegates” include Diocesan Officers and Committee Chairs, parish delegates, Life Members and Honourary Life Members. Each parish council is encouraged to have two (2) accredited delegates who vote on all issues except election of officers, increase in per capita fee, and amendments to the constitution & bylaws.

As you can see, most delegates do not have voting status and attend as interested League members. See the “Rules of Order” in the program book at convention for more information.

Spiritual Celebrations

As members of The Catholic Women’s League of Canada, we are directed through the Objects of the League to achieve individual and collective spiritual development. We work towards those objects through wonderful meaningful Masses and prayer services at the convention.

Besides the two scheduled Masses, we have several prayer services throughout the weekend and this year a “Prayer Room” is offered to the members for the weekend.

It is truly a weekend filled with ways to celebrate our faith with our League sisters.

Wear your convention nametag

Your nametag identifies you as a registered delegate of this convention. You must wear it to enter the meeting hall.

Enjoy the fellowship and share in the love with the members from Hamilton Diocese!

**This Convention is a scent free event.
Help us keep the air we share healthy and fragrance-free!
Many members suffer from allergies and respiratory problems
so please be aware.**