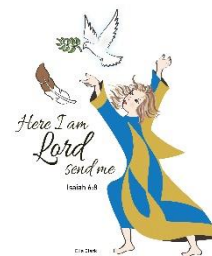




**Hamilton Diocesan Council
of
The Catholic Women's League of Canada**



***Here I am Lord, send me
Go Make A Difference!
Sharing His Promise, Love and Hope!***

My Dear Sisters in the League,

On behalf of Hamilton Diocesan Officers, it is my pleasure to invite you to the 104th Annual Hamilton Diocesan Convention of The Catholic Women's League of Canada at DoubleTree by Hilton, 30 Fairway Road South, Kitchener ON N2A 2N2. **The convention begins on Saturday May 25, 2024 to Sunday May 26, 2024.**

Your Diocesan Officers, Regional Executive, Convention Chairwomen Ana Sousa and Joan Schurter, Convention Registrar Joanne Gregson, will welcome you with open arms to this exciting convention. We will be celebrating 104 years of League sisterhood and service to God and Canada!

Some highlights and incentives to entice you to attend:

- **Each member who attends will receive an opportunity to win a "League Promotion" gift package!**
- Provincial representative will present a **workshop on "Goal Setting under the Three Pillars of Faith, Service & Social Justice"**
- Diocesan Resolutions Chair, Mary Helwig-Hall, will give a presentation at the "Resolutions Dialogue"
- Special Prayers throughout the convention including May Crowning and vigil prayer service Saturday evening
- **Keynote Speakers of Linda Staudt and National President, Shari Guinta**
- entertainment Saturday evening
- Instructed Voting on Diocesan Elections
- Saturday evening banquet and presentation of special League Awards

And so much more!

On Saturday, the Opening Eucharistic celebration at 11:00 am with celebrant Diocesan Spiritual Advisor Father Ranjan D'Sa and host council St. Michael Council, Waterloo.

Our Sunday Closing Mass with **celebrant His Excellency Auxiliary Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, VG, EV** will be held at 3:00 pm at the St. Aloysius, 11 Traynor Ave., Kitchener ON N2C 1W1. An installation ceremony of the elected Diocesan Officers will be celebrated.

Parish Spiritual Advisors

Please invite your **Spiritual Advisors** to participate in the Saturday Morning Coffee Social, round table meeting on Saturday morning, Masses on Saturday morning and Sunday afternoon and Saturday buffet lunch and the banquet on Saturday night.

You will find a tentative agenda, registration information for business sessions, meals and transportation to the closing Mass as well as details about opportunities to pray and celebrate with your sisters from across Hamilton diocese. Please complete all the forms either online at

www.cwlhamilton.ca or mail registration forms to Registrar Joanne Gregson 80-6478 5th Line Fergus, ON N1M 2W5

The **deadline date of May 3, 2024** is the final date for all registrations, meals & transportation.

Presidents, please ensure that the Organization Chairwoman and Treasurer have submitted your councils' membership fees to the National Office along with the Annual Administration Fee of \$100 to the Diocesan Treasurer prior to registering for the convention. This enables all members of your council to attend the convention free of any other preregistration charges.

Again, this year is online registration and payment by e-transfer, in addition to the option to pay by cheque. Check it out and see just how convenient it is!

Accommodations are booked directly with the hotel by **April 25, 2024**, to receive our special room rates. Please contact DoubleTree by Hilton Kitchener at:

519 893 1211 and asking for the "Catholic Women's League" group block or online:

guestservices.kitchener@sunraygroup.ca www.dtkitchener.doubletreebyhilton.com

Please note that no outside food or beverages will be allowed in the convention ballroom/foyer. Only reusable bottles, not one-time use disposable bottles may be brought into the hotel. If a member disregards this notice, a fee of \$500 will be charged.

This is our Annual Meeting of Members and, as the Constitution and Bylaws mandate, it is the responsibility of each parish council president or her representative to attend as the voting delegate. Two members from each council are encouraged to register as accredited delegates and participate in voting. All Catholic Women's League members are especially invited to attend and experience the League in a new way, and be a part of our 104th convention and celebration.

I encourage you to bring as many of your sister executive and general members with you to experience this convention. Not only are we voting on a new diocesan executive, but we are also rejoicing and giving thanks to the members of the Hamilton Diocesan Catholic Women's League of Canada for their service to the community. Your presence is required for this important vote and celebration.

For further information please see the Hamilton Catholic Women's League Diocesan website: www.cwlhamilton.ca If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Convention Co-chairwomen Ana Sousa (519 654 0118) or Joan Schurter (519 893 7429).
conventionchair@cwlhamilton.ca

I look forward to seeing you all in Kitchener on May 25 & 26, 2024!

Warmest regards,

Joyce Cotter

Hamilton Diocesan President

**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.**