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| Catholic Women&#39;s League - St. Michael Catholic Community | **Hamilton Diocesan Council****of****The Catholic Women’s League of Canada**JOY WITH SUNFLOWER' Tote Bag | Spreadshirt***Sparkle God’s Way!******Be A Beacon of HOPE and LIGHT to Everyone You Meet*** | New Theme Update - The Catholic Women's League of Canada |

August 2, 2024

Dear League Sisters and Spiritual Advisors,

I am deeply honoured and humbled to have accepted the role of Diocesan President for the Hamilton Diocese. It is a privilege to serve alongside such dedicated and passionate women, and I am grateful for the trust you have placed in me.

As we embark on this new journey together, I am excited to introduce our new diocesan theme for 2024-2026: **“Sparkle God’s Way (Be A Beacon of Hope and Light to Everyone You Meet.)”** This theme reflects our commitment to radiating Christ’s love and hope in our daily lives and interactions by being welcoming and joyful people of God. By being beacons of light, we can inspire and support one another and our communities by bringing God’s message of hope and love to all. I look forward to sharing more on our new diocesan theme and how our new theme beautifully integrates with the National and Provincial new themes.

I’m excited to introduce to you, and for you to meet our new executive team at our upcoming regional meetings. Each member brings unique talents and a shared dedication to our mission. I am pleased to announce that I have appointed our four regional chairs and regional secretaries, along with several other appointments, which I will share soon. For now, the regional chairs and secretaries are:

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| **HAMILTON** | **Regional Chair**,Colleen Ionson |
|  | **Regional Secretary**, Mary D’Orazio |
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| **BRANT** | **Regional Chair**, Debra Noronha  |
|  | **Regional Secretary**, Meagan Kardirgamar  |
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| **KITCHENER** | **Regional Chair**, Julia (Jewels) Calverley  |
|  | **Regional Secretary**, Bernadette Best |
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| **NORTH** | **Regional Chair**, Nancy Skiba,  |
|  | **Regional Secretary**, Sherie Bowen |

Expect to hear from your Regional Chairs soon regarding the upcoming regional meetings, which are scheduled for the following dates (from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.):

* **September 14, 2024**  | North Fall Regional Meeting - St. Mary of the Assumption, Owen Sound
* **September 21, 2024**  | Kitchener Fall Regional Meeting - St. Joseph, Guelph
* **September 28, 2024**  | Hamilton & Brant Fall Regional Meeting - St. Mary’s Pro-Cathedral, Hamilton

I look forward to working closely with our new diocesan team and parish councils over the next two years. Together, we will strive to strengthen and grow our sisterhood in the League for God and Canada. Our focus will be on connectiveness and servant leadership by fostering a welcoming, supportive, respectful, transparent, professional and vibrant community, embracing change, and growing stronger in faith and love.

Let us move forward with enthusiasm and a spirit of hope, and in cooperation by embracing our new theme; Sparkle God’s Way, and working diligently to make a positive impact in the Hamilton Diocesan Council and parish communities. May we inspire and lift one another and those we serve, always remembering that we are called to be beacons of hope and light.

Thank you once again for this incredible opportunity. I am excited about the journey ahead and the wonderful things we will accomplish together as a sisterhood and League as we work hard in unity to be a model council.

Yours in Christ with love, hugs and blessings,

**Teresa**

Teresa DiFalco
Diocesan President, Hamilton Diocesan Council
The Catholic Women’s League of Canada

***THOSE WHO LOOK TO HIM . . . SPARKLE! (PSALM 34:5)***

Anyone can find the dirt in someone. Sparkle God’s Way and be the Beacon who finds the gold. Taken from Prov. 11:27