#### St. Peter's CWL Newsletter

Oct. 2025

#### **Message from Our President:**

Dear Sisters-in-Christ,

Each October the Church gathers beneath Our Lady's Mantle where our soft rhythm of prayers holds the life of Christ in our hands. Decade by decade we offer our intentions to Jesus through Mary. St. Thérèse of Lisieux, whose Feast Day is October 1, asks us to offer our smallness in love, teaching us her 'little way'.

St. Thérèse, has been my favourite saint since childhood and her quote: "To pick up a pin for love can convert a soul"; causes me to pause and ponder the power of charity that Jesus has shown us and asked us to live by.

I think of Our Lady's humility and how she must have drawn everyone to her with her gaze and smile, how she encouraged the Apostles through Christ's Passion and Resurrection. What she would have explained to them waiting for the Holy Spirit to come in that room! And centuries later, she would lead St. Thérèse in her 'little way'. Let us pray she leads each of us and our families on the path that leads to Our Lord this

October as we say the rosary! Blessings to you all,

Joan

President, St. Peter's CWL



## **CWL Ministry Mass**

Oct. 19 @ 9:30 Please sign up on the link below. <a href="https://volunteersignup.org/QHBDD">https://volunteersignup.org/QHBDD</a>

## **General Meeting**

Our General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 15 at 7 pm. This year we'll be asking that if you can, please bring non-perishable food donations for our St. Vincent de Paul Society.



#### **CWL Harvest Dinner**



Sunday, November 9, 2025 6:30 PM, Parish Hall and Rm C

Tickets: \$35 adults, \$15 youth 6-12, Free children 5 and under

Tickets available in the Narthex.

Also, sign up in the Narthex to help with the dinner.

Come out and support the Building Fund!



### **Project Warmth**

Here is a wonderful opportunity to help our Community!

We have set aside the weekend of October 25/26 after all Masses to collect gently used or new winter clothing (hats, mitts, gloves, parkas, blankets, and bedding, sleeping bags) for the Calgary Drop-in Centre. If you would like to volunteer for this worthwhile outreach, please contact <a href="webmaster.cwl.stpeters@mail.com">webmaster.cwl.stpeters@mail.com</a> Volunteering involves gathering up the items and bagging them after each Mass.

# Children's Christmas Workshop Nov. 30, 9:00-11:30 AM

We are so happy to offer a "Santa's Workshop" for the children of the parish! They can purchase inexpensive small gifts to surprise their parents and siblings. Once the children make their purchases, we will have Santa's helpers on hand to wrap the treasures! For this, we would really appreciate donations of gift bags, tissue paper, tags, ribbon and tape! Please either bring these donations to the CWL or drop them in the box we will have in the Narthex on the weekends of Nov. 15/16 and Nov. 22/23.

Mark Your Calendars! Sunday November 30, 2025, 9-11:30 am

For more information, please reach out to: Committee Members Colleen H.& Marianne E.

#### **Update on Sheila from Jan Myrhe**

At our September meeting, I shared the moving story of Sheila, one of our CWL sisters from Hay River in the Northwest Territories. Sheila, a Past Diocesan President of Mackenzie–Fort Smith, experienced a devastating loss this summer when her home of 30 years burned to the ground. While she and her family are insured, they are currently living in a trailer on their property, waiting for demolition and rebuilding to begin. And as we know—winter is coming quickly in the North.

As we passed around a card at the meeting, our generous members didn't hesitate. Along with their signatures came heartfelt donations, and together we raised a beautiful gift of \$300 to send along with the card.

I share a photo of Sheila, proudly wearing her CWL scarf, as she received the Father Walter Krewski Award on behalf of one of her councils, for the largest increase in membership at the 2015 ABMK Provincial Convention in Yellowknife.

This is the League in action. My heart was full as I thought of Sheila opening that card—not only seeing the signatures, but also feeling the love, support, and prayers of sisters she has never met. That is the true spirit of our sisterhood.



#### From St. Luke's CWL

You're invited to a St. Luke's CWL presentation on Tuesday, October 21, by Monique Achtman, Educational Resource Consultant at Calgary Pro-Life Assn. She will share a life-affirming presentation that will enhance our understanding of respect for every human life, from conception to natural death. Please join us in the MPR after the 7:00 pm Mass.

## Al Is Transforming Society! Are Catholics Ready?

Plan to attend the Al Symposium on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 17 & 18 at St. Mary's University (McGivney Hall). For more information, visit St. Mary's University website or click on this link. <a href="https://www.catholicyyc.ca/aisymposium.html">https://www.catholicyyc.ca/aisymposium.html</a>



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#### When: Provincial Convention in Whitecourt June 5 – 7, 2026.

All proceeds will go towards the 2028 National Convention Planning Committee hosted by ABMK to be held in Edmonton, August 2028.

#### Suggested Items:

Gift sets Gift cards Wine Kitchen Items Tools **Get Away or Trip Packages** Night out Packages Sporting Items, ie golf sets, tees, balls, gloves etc Themed Gift Baskets, ie Chocolate, gardening, Christmas Homemade Items and Crafts

# Can you help us?

If you and/or your councils would like to donate an item, please provide the following information so we can prepare the bid sheets ahead of time.

> 1. Person or Council Donating the Item 2. Description of the Item 3. Value of the Item

Email information to: <a href="mailto:cwlsilentauction@gmail.com">cwlsilentauction@gmail.com</a>

NOTE: Only brand-new items will be accepted. Items must be brought to the provincial convention in Whitecourt, where the silent auction will be taking place.

Questions? Call Jan Myhre at 403-828-4191 or email janmyhre.cwl@telus.net

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# St. Mary's Cathedral Catholic Women's League



# Mysteries of the Holy Rosary

# CWL FORMATION LED BY FR. AVI

SESSION 1 - Luminous Mysteries September 20, 2025

SESSION 2 - Joyful Mysteries December 6, 2025

SESSION 3 - Sorrowful Mysteries March 14, 2026

SESSION 4 - Glorious Mysteries June 20, 2026 Session Agenda 9:00 - 9:30 a.m.

St. Mary's Hall

9:30 - 9:55 a.m. Breakfast

10:00 - 10:45 a.m. Talk by Fr. Avi

10:45 - 11:00 a.m. Q & A

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. CWL General Council Meeting

# All are welcome!

Registration required, please contact St. Mary's CWL cwl@stmaryscalgary.ca | stmaryscalgary.ca/cwl | Text (403) 796-3601

