

# ST-PETER'S CWL NEWSLETTER

**CATHOLIC**  
and **LIVING IT!**

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## WELCOME!

We are so excited to introduce our newsletter to you! Each month, you will receive a copy with information about our upcoming activities and important items. We will also be celebrating our sisters and their milestones and lifting those up in need in our prayers. This is YOUR CWL and we want you to feel joyful about our ministry.



### YOUR 2023 CWL EXECUTIVE

Janet Lymer, President

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Megan McClary, Secretary/Communications

Kathy Ervin, Faith Chair

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Sue Robichaud, Webmaster

Denise Coutts, Membership Coordinator

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Happy May!

At long last, we can turn to tending and nurturing nature through our gardens and enjoy the beauty of plants, trees, and flowers. Let us keep praying for our fellow Canadians who are affected by the wildfires and ask God to keep the first responders in His care.

As Albertans, we are faced with a critical election in the next few weeks. Please ensure you get out and vote, be it at the early voting days starting May 23, by mail in ballot or in person on election day May 29. If you need assistance to get out to vote, please contact me or anyone on council and we will arrange a ride for you.

On June 5, St Peter's CWL will be presenting at the regional meeting at St Luke's Parish. I encourage you all to join and support our sisters.

Please come and celebrate our 10 sisters who are receiving their long service award pins on June 21, following the 7 pm mass. Your CWL executive will be hosting a social following a short meeting.

I look forward to seeing you in church, at our meetings and of course in any of our services. Many hands make light work!

Blessings, *Janet*

## IMPORTANT DATES AND REMINDERS

**May 19 – June 4:** Spolumbo's Orders

**June 5:** Regional Meeting at St Luke's

**June 10 & 11:** Cake Raffle & Chalice

**June 14:** Executive Meeting

**June 17:** Spolumbo's Pick Up

**June 21:** Long Service Award Ceremony following by Social hosted by your CWL Executive.

**July 15:** Stampede Breakfast



## CONTACT INFO

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### WE ARE A SISTERHOOD

We are a sisterhood. A community of faith filled women. As proverb says: **Charity begins at home but should not end there.** We are here to help one another in our time of need. Do you know of someone who is struggling? Could use a prayer shawl? Needs a drive to church or meetings? Would appreciate Intercessory prayer or perhaps help with a few meals following a hospital discharge, or a loss of a loved one? Maybe its you who needs the comforting arms of a sister? Please reach out to anyone on YOUR CWL Council and we will do our best to live our faith in our service.

# FAITH



## STRATEGIC PLAN

The CWL three pillars are:

**FAITH                                      SERVICE                                      SOCIAL JUSTICE**

We are reorganizing our many events, acts of faith, charitable causes and fundraisers under our new pillars. How does this impact our local council? Being one of the largest in the province, we can accomplish a lot as there are many hands to serve. We need you to step up and give of your talents be it part of a committee or leading a committee. We do need CWL members who are very comfortable on various platforms such as setting up a volunteer sign up to help us continue to move forward in technology. Would you like to see us more active on social media? We would love to have you take this on. Many of our fundraisers are run online and we would like to see some of you (hiding in the back) gift your time in a behind the scenes manner. Please reach out to anyone on the executive to discuss.

## QUICK LINKS

<https://www.st-peterscwl.ca/>

**DIOCESAN:**

<https://www.calgarycwl.ca/>

**PROVINCIAL:**

<https://www.cwlabmk.ca/>

**NATIONAL:**

<https://cwl.ca/>



## MISSION STATEMENT

The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls its members to grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service.

## SERVICE

As a CWL Council, we are called to service. There are many opportunities to gift your time and talent and enjoy the camaraderie that comes with our sisterhood. Volunteers are needed for the following events:

### CHALICE – June 10 & 11

On the weekend of June 10 & 11, St. Peter's Parish will be welcoming Chalice. CWL members are asked to volunteer in the Narthex following each mass. Volunteer after mass [here](#):

### YOUR VOTE MATTERS – MAY 29

Catholics have a duty to vote in all elections. In this election, there is a critical issue that was brought up at our last meeting. Please read the following:

#### CLASSROOM SIZES

*Did you know that class sizes have increased exponentially in Alberta since 2019? This is severely affecting the education of our school aged children. Please contact your MLA candidates in your riding to find out how she/he stands on this position. It is critical for our newly elected representatives to commit to lowering classroom sizes.*

*For more information, please refer to the non-partisan Elections AB site <https://www.elections.ab.ca/elections/albertas-next-election/>*

### STAMPEDE BREAKFAST – July 15

Volunteers are needed for the St Peter's Stampede Breakfast. Jobs will be assigned by the parish but the CWL has been asked to start recruiting from our membership. Please sign up here: [volunteersignup.org/3FDPB](https://volunteersignup.org/3FDPB)

## CWL 2023 BURSARY

Our recipient will be announced at the June 21 meeting. Come and congratulate her!



## LONG SERVICE AWARD

On **June 21** we will be recognizing 10 of our sisters for their faithfulness and stewardship of the Catholic Women's League. Following the 7 pm mass, Deacon Stephen will be blessing the pins and presenting them to our sister.

Following the ceremony, we will have a brief meeting followed by a wine & appetizers social to celebrate our summer break.





In an ongoing effort to inspire you in faith, service and social justice, CWL National offers these gifts of videos and other inspirational content. Please download and make use of these in your conversations with your female friends, colleagues and family. Please visit: <https://cwl.ca/to-inspire/>



**SUMMER SOCIAL JUNE 21, 2023**

Following the 7pm mass and our long service award ceremony, please join us in the parish hall for a short meeting followed by a wine and appetizer social.



**OUR FINAL CAKE RAFFLE IS JUNE 10 & 11, 2023**

**SOCIAL JUSTICE**

Our council, led by Joan Shillington – Legislation & Resolutions Chair and Dr. Peggy Gibson, has been instrumental in furthering the conversation on MAiD – Medically Assistance in Dying. There is a window of opportunity to change public opinion. To read an interview with Dr. Gibson please visit: <https://www.catholicregister.org/item/35219-new-hope-for-maid-opponents>

The video presentation at St Peter’s on February 24 was attended and viewed by hundreds of Catholic faithful. To view the video, please click here: <https://st-peters.ca/vimeo-video/traid-for-maid-mp4/>



**TRAiD**  
True Assistance in Dying  
St. Michael’s CWL will be hosting  
Peggy Thomson-Gibson,  
MSCM.FRCPC©  
“Defend the Faith  
without Raising Our Voice”  
Tuesday, May 30 at 7:30 pm  
St. Michael Catholic Community  
800—85 Street SW  
Calgary, T3H 4C7

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<https://fundraising.tru.earth/StPetersCWL>

## NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

Please submit newsletter contributions to [Megan](#) or [Janet](#) by the 30th of the month and we will do our best to incorporate your contribution.



### WHY VOLUNTEER WITH THE CWL?

- Make a difference
- Use your skills in productive ways
- Find purpose
- Connect with your community
- Develop new skills
- Explore new areas of interest
- Contribute to an important cause

## CWL SPOLUMBO'S 2023 FUNDRAISER

Get your BBQ season fully stocked with delicious Spolumbo's sausages, burgers, sauces and so much more!

Products available in Full Case or ½ Case depending in the product.

ORDER BETWEEN MAY 19 AND JUNE 4, 2023.

PICK UP WILL BE JUNE 16 FROM 11AM TO 1 PM AT ST PETER'S PARISH HALL.

ARRIVES IN TIME FOR FATHER'S DAY!

ORDER SECURELY TODAY

<https://st-peters-catholic-womens-league-108396.square.site/>



## ROSEBUD THEATRE

By popular request, a theatre outing is being proposed to see a Saturday matinee performance of "The Sound of Music" at Rosebud Theatre, and although tickets are selling quickly, the following dates have good availability:

Saturday, June 17

Saturday June 24

The cost of tickets (including brunch) is \$72, and they would be purchased individually through the website (<https://www.rosebudtheatre.com/>).

The plan then would be to meet in the church parking lot at 10 am, and the drive is approximately 75 minutes.

If you are interested, contact Denise at (403) 608-1809 or [couttsr@shaw.ca](mailto:couttsr@shaw.ca), indicating which date would work for you.



## TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We are grateful to God, the Creator, for the gracious gift of these lands for all peoples. In a spirit of gratitude, we acknowledge that this Treaty 7 Territory, where as a community we worship, live, work and play, is the traditional home of the Siksika, Piikani Kainai, Bearspaw, Chiniki and Goodstoney First Nations and the Tsuut'ina Nation. This area is also home to the Métis Nation of Alberta, Region 3. As members of St Peter's Parish, we will in humility strive to learn, reflect, and act in ways that will promote our shared journey of truth, reconciliation, healing and hope.