

Joanne Palmer has been a member of Our Lady of Lourdes CWL since 2012, and a member of that parish for 20 years. She has also been previously on the Parish Council for three years. She has been involved in the parish as Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Children's Liturgy, Mass Coordinator and the Serra Club.

Joanne has been married to Robert for 29 years. They have one daughter.

Joanne presently works for the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board as an Educational Assistant. She enjoys going every day to see the students' smiling faces and to see what they can accomplish. Joanne also helps coaching the Sr. and Jr. Girl's Flag Football teams.

In her spare time Joanne is involved with Special Olympics, helping out in volunteering that her daughter is fully involved in. She does have a little bragging rights, and is she is proud of her daughter: in May of 2016, her daughter was picked to go to the Spring Games in Guelph, and her team took gold for their District.

This is Joanne's first term on the Diocesan Council as Committee Chair, doing Educational and Health. She is looking forward to the challenge as Education is her passion.