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*Inspired by the Spirit — Women Respond to God's Call*



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**To:** Council Presidents, Council Spiritual Development Standing Committee Chairpersons  
**From:** Catherine Feren, Hamilton Diocese Spiritual Development Standing Committee Chairperson  
**cc:** Diocesan Officers, Committee members

Dear Sisters in the League,

At the October national executive meeting, it was decided to once again call upon the power of prayer through another **12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care** initiative, during the week of May 6-12, 2018, the week designated as National Hospice Palliative Care Week by the Canadian Hospice Palliative Care Association. National First Vice-President and Chairperson of Education and Health, Fran Lucas, and Education and Health Sub-Committee Chairperson, Becky Kallal, have put together a Palliative Care Kit available to download, for use by councils.

The Palliative Care Kit, which includes posters, an invitational video, *Physicians Way of the Cross*, General Intercessions, as well as other prayers and resources, to aid in your planning, is available at <https://www.cwl.ca/12-hours-of-prayer-for-palliative-care-2018/>.

This year all councils have been asked by national to organize their own **12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care**. It is suggested we keep May 4th as the day we all reserve.

The initiative can take place within a parish church, a home or elsewhere. Participation could include a large congregation, a few friends or solitary prayer at home. As indicated in the directive I sent in January, the option of several parishes coordinating an event together for a town, county, city or part of a city is a wonderful way to grow in faith with our sisters from other councils.

However members choose to participate in this most important initiative, I hope that all councils and members will find some way to pray in a special way for palliative care during this week.

Please feel free to contact me for any support your council may need in coordinating this event.

***In solidarity with the least of our brothers and sisters and always for God and Canada!***