



**Hamilton Diocesan Council
of
The Catholic Women's League of Canada**

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



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Past-President/Historian – Ana Sousa

Welcome to a new year in the CWL. As past presidents our main task is to let the new president take over and lend a helping hand when asked. Don't be discouraging saying it won't work or I told you so.

A large part of a past-president/historian's role is to keep our records so take some time, go through your parish archives and make sure they are up to date.

At National Convention members from across Canada were invited to participate on line in the Town Hall Gathering facilitated by Donna Dunn. The process was quite positive even when we encountered minor glitches. Members embraced the view for change to make the Catholic Women's League vibrant. Please visit the national website to share your thoughts and ideas and you can view the live stream sessions and photos as well.

Our Constitution & Bylaws reminds us that the Objects of the League shall be to unite Catholic Women of Canada:

1. To achieve individual and collective spiritual development
2. To promote the teachings of the Catholic church
3. To exemplify the Christian idea in home and family life
4. To protect the sanctity of life
5. To enhance the role of women in church and society
6. To recognize the human dignity of all people everywhere
7. To uphold and defend Christian education and values in the modern world
8. To contribute to the understanding and growth of religious freedom, social justice, peace and harmony.

Remember this is what the League is all about. What we are all about.

If your council is having elections, again look to the Constitution & Bylaws for what each executive position entails. It is a good place to start.

May Our Lady of Good Counsel continue to guide you in all you do.