



The Catholic Women's League of Canada

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CALGARY, ALBERTA, MAY 17, 2019 — Nine hundred Catholic women of faith will gather at the Hyatt Regency Calgary, August 18-21, 2019 for the 99th annual national convention of The Catholic Women's League of Canada with the theme, *Care for Our Common Home*.

Keynote speaker Sr. Dorothy Ederer of Okemos, Michigan, a Grand Rapids Dominican Sister, will speak Tuesday, August 20th on *What is Our Common Home?: We care for our homeland, our homes, our hearts*. Four additional presentations have been arranged for members and guests. Dr. Peter Baltutis, assistant professor of history & Catholic studies, St. Mary's University, Calgary will share his knowledge on *Living Laudato Si: Practical Tools on How We Can Care for Our Common Home*. Dr. Timothy Harvie, associate professor of philosophy and ethics, also from St. Mary's University, will share his expertise on *What the Catholic Church Says About Care for Creation and Why It is Fundamentally Catholic That We are "Good Stewards" of the Environment*. Sr. Madeleine Gregg, fcj of the FCJ Retreat and Conference Centre Resource Team will speak on *Spiritual Practice and Care for Our Common Home*, while Marilou LeGeyt, outreach ministries coordinator for the Catholic Pastoral Centre in the Diocese of Calgary will present *A Carbon Conversation: Why Is It So Hard to Change? How Can We Respond to the Cry of the Poor?*

Attendees will be given ample time to reflect on the League's theme *Care for Our Common Home* through the celebration of daily mass, prayer services and encounters with sister delegates.

Updates throughout the convention will be available on the League's national website (www.cwl.ca), Facebook page and Twitter (@CWLNational).

The Catholic Women's League of Canada is one of the largest organizations of women in Canada with over 77,000 members represented in every province, territory and in the military. With a membership representing a wide cross-section of Canadian society, the League has received the commendation and keen appreciation of federal, provincial, territorial and municipal authorities for the voluntary services ably performed by its nationwide membership.

National President Anne-Marie Gorman of Fredericton, New Brunswick, will be available for interviews prior to and during the convention.

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