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Sunday, August 8, 2021

We ask members to attend mass at their parish and pray particularly for The Catholic Women's League of Canada, its members and for the success of the online national annual meetings of members.

In locations where in person attendance is prohibited by local health regulations, a prayer for spiritual communion is provided.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

Monday, August 9, 2021

Monday Morning Opening Prayer

Taken from *Together We Pray* by Carmen L. Caltagirone

Speakers

1 Anne-Marie Gorman 4 Janet McLean 2 Pat Deppiesse 5 Judy Look 3 Cathy Bouchard 6 Colleen Perry

Speaker 1:

As we begin our meetings, we ask for God's blessing. May God, who is the source of all blessings and all that is blessed, be a part of this gathering at its beginning and at its ending and during all the time in between.

Speaker 2:

May the Holy Spirit guide us in all that is discerned and decided here. May the Spirit inspire us with words that say all that they mean yet fall gently on the ears of all gathered here.

Speaker 3:

May God bless us with the ability to speak with integrity and to work with uncompromising diligence.

Speaker 4:

May God help us focus on what truly matters and give us the insight to discern what is right. May God fill our hearts with love and may that love determine the course we take and shape all our interactions.

Speaker 5:

May God give us wisdom to make good decisions, courage to take the necessary risks, unshakable hope to maintain a steadfast spirit, good humour to keep things in perspective, and deep trust so that as we risk, we remain grounded in God.

Speaker 6:

May God bless us with the personal joy of knowing that we have acted out of love, that we have done our best, and that we have served God with all our hearts.

AMEN +

Monday Morning Closing Prayer

Recognition of New Life MembersModified by S. Guinta

Leader: Fran Lucas **President:** Anne Gorman

Spiritual Advisor: Most Rev. Stephen Jensen

Leader: At this time, we welcome the 2020 and 2021 new life members of The Catholic Women's League of Canada and recognize them by name. If in person, we would have called them forward to be welcomed by the honorary life members and anointed with holy oil by our national spiritual advisor. We do however, honour you today by name.

As your name is called, you are invited to make the sign of the cross as a sign of your faith.

President:

Anna Bawer-Di Lallo of Candiac, Quebec

Janet Brunger of Winnipeg, Manitoba

Glenda Carson of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia

Linda Chisholm of Beauharnois, Quebec

Sharon Ciebin of Vancouver, British Columbia

Madonna Clark of Fredericton, New Brunswick

Lea Colbeck of Virden, Manitoba

Doris Dickson of Perth-Andover, New Brunswick

Elizabeth Doyle of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia

Irene Gallant of Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island

Patricia Hannan of Montreal, Quebec

Colleen Holloway of Richer, Manitoba

Rosa Lam of Ile Bizard, Quebec

Karen McDonald of Sudbury, Ontario

Evelyn Mills Meaney of Pointe Claire, Quebec

Alice Noble of Candiac, Quebec

Sandra O'Connell of Sydney, Nova Scotia

Angela Pellerin of London, Ontario

Emma Rose Rayburn of Martintown, Ontario

Lynne Rowlandson of Englehart, Ontario

Carol Schlachter of Brooks, Alberta †

Joanna Sisk of Ottawa, Ontario

Carol Lynn St. James Fascia of St. Clement, Quebec

Wendy Tedford of Douro-Dummer, Ontario

Alice Uvanile of Thunder Bay, Ontario

Patricia Weller of Douglas, Ontario

Bishop Jensen:

Almighty God, by the cross and resurrection of your Son, you have given life and hope to Your people. Your servants have made the Sign of the cross as a sign of their faith in You. We ask that You make them living proof of its saving power and support them always as they serve You through their actions as life members.

Leader: We thank these women for their gift of self and for their willingness to continue to serve the League. May they grace the League with love and humbleness through service to the people of God.

AMEN +

Monday Afternoon Opening Prayer In Praise of Nature

Taken and revised from *The Blessing Cup*Rock Travnikar, O.F.M

Leader 1: Betty Colaneri Leader 2: Faith Anderson Leader 3: Joline Belliveau

Voice of All (R): Marie Rackley

Leader 1:

All seasons give praise to the Creator, and so we pray in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Leader 2: Deuteronomy 33: 13b - 16a Blessed by the Lord be his land, with the choice gifts of heaven above, and of the deep that lies beneath; with the choice fruits of the sun, and the rich yield of the months; with the finest produce of the ancient mountains, and the abundance of the everlasting hills; with the choice gifts of the earth and its fullness, and the favor of the one who dwells on Sinai.

Leader 3:

We praise you, Lord, as master of all seasons and times, and we say

R: Blessed be God

We give you thanks for the gift of life, and we say

R: Blessed be God!

We give you thanks for the waters of the oceans and rivers, lakes and streams, and we say

R: Blessed by God!

We give you thanks for wildlife and creatures of the earth, and we say

R: Blessed by God!

We give you thanks for growing things, and we say

R: Blessed by God!

In all that You have created we see Your glory, and we say

R: Blessed by God!

Leader 1: Father, we thank You for Jesus, Your Son, who lights the darkness of our hearts. Send your Spirit and renew Your creation.

AMEN +

Monday Afternoon Closing Prayer

Taken from *Together We Pray* by Carmen L. Caltagirone

Leader 1: Doreen Gowans

Leader 2: Marilyn Gay Garvey Leader 3: A. Chantal Devine

Leader 4: June Brown **Leader 5:** Judy Hodge

Leader 1:

Empowering God,

it is You who calls us and guides us as we work.

It is Your power in us that confirms our confidence and boosts our spirits.

Leader 2:

Never let us act as though You are not a part of our plans.

We are confident that Your Holy Spirit dwells in us and among us.

Leader 3:

Help us to rely on the power of Your Spirit to inspire us to do our best work, giving you praise and glory through it.

Leader 4:

Compared to Your bountiful, limitless love for us we have so little to offer You.

Bless our humble efforts and make them holy.

Leader 5:

Lead us in the path of what is right and just and may Your peace, Your goodness and Your deep caring sustain us in all that we do.

AMEN +

Tuesday Morning Opening Prayer

Shorter Christian Prayer St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr, Week III

Leader and **Voice of All** (*R*): Margaret Ann Jacobs

Right Side: Janet McLean **Left Side:** Shari Guinta **Reading:** Betty Colaneri

Blessing: Most Rev. Stephen Jensen

Leader:

Lord, open my lips

R: And my mouth will proclaim Your praise.

Ant: Come, let us worship Christ, the King of martyrs.

Psalm 100: Right Side – Left Side (Right side always I^{st})

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before Him, singing for joy.

Know that He, the Lord, is God. He made us, we belong to Him, we are His people, the sheep of His flock.

Go within His gates, giving thanks. Enter His courts with songs of praise. Give thanks to Him and bless His name.

Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal His merciful love. He is faithful from age to age. All: Glory be to the Father.....

All: Come, let us worship Christ, the King of martyrs.

Leader:

Ant. 1: My soul clings to You, my God, because I endured death

by fire for Your sake.

Psalm 63: Right Side – Left Side
O God, You are my God, for You I long; for You my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for You
like a dry, weary land without water.
So I gaze on You in the sanctuary to see Your strength and Your glory.

For Your love is better than life, my lips will speak Your praise.
So I will bless You all my life, in Your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise You with joy.

On my bed I remember You.
On You I muse through the night for You have been my help; in the shadow of Your wings I rejoice.
My soul clings to You;
Your right hand holds me fast.

All: Glory be to the Father....

Leader: Psalm Prayer

Father, creator of unfailing light, give that same light to those who call to You. May our lips praise You; our lives proclaim Your goodness; our work give You honour, and our voices celebrate You forever.

All: My soul clings to You, my God, because I endured

death by fire for Your sake.

Leader:

Ant 2: The Lord sent His angel to free me from the fire, and I

escaped the flames unharmed.

Canticle: (Dan. 3:57-88,56) Right Side – Left Side

Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord.

Praise and exalt Him above all forever.

Angels of the Lord, bless the Lord.

You heavens, bless the Lord.

All you waters above the heavens, bless the Lord.

All you hosts of the Lord, bless the Lord.

Sun and moon, bless the Lord.

Stars of heaven, bless the Lord.

Every shower and dew, bless the Lord.

All you winds, bless the Lord.

Fire and heat, bless the Lord.

Cold and chill, bless the Lord.

Dew and rain, bless the Lord.

Frost and chill, bless the Lord.

Ice and snow, bless the Lord.

Nights and days, bless the Lord.

Lightnings and clouds, bless the Lord.

Let the earth bless the Lord.

Praise and exalt him above all forever.

Mountains and hills, bless the Lord.

Everything growing from the earth, bless the Lord.

You springs, bless the Lord.

Seas and rivers, bless the Lord.

You dolphins and all water creatures, bless the Lord.

All you birds of the air, bless the Lord.

All you beasts, wild and tame, bless the Lord.

You sons of men, bless the Lord.

O Israel, bless the Lord.
Praise and exalt him above all forever.
Priests of the Lord, bless the Lord.
Servants of the Lord, bless the Lord.
Spirits and souls of the just, bless the Lord.
Holy men of humble heart, bless the Lord.
Hananiah, Azariah, Mishael, bless the Lord.
Praise and exalt Him above all forever.

Let us bless the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Let us praise and exalt Him above all forever. Blessed are you, Lord, in the firmament of heaven. Praiseworthy and glorious and exalted above all forever.

All: Glory be to the Father....

All: The Lord sent His angel to free me from the fire, and I escaped the flames unharmed.

Leader:

Ant 3: Blessed Lawrence prayed: I thank You, Lord, for permitting me to enter the gates of Your kingdom.

Psalm 149: Right Side – Left Side
Sing a new song to the Lord,
His praise in the assembly of the faithful.
Let Israel rejoice in its maker,
let Zion's sons exult in their king.
Let them praise His name with dancing
and make music with timbrel and harp.

For the Lord takes delight in His people. He crowns the poor with salvation. Let the faithful rejoice in their glory, shout for joy and take their rest. Let the praise of God be on their lips and a two-edged sword in their hand,

to deal out vengeance to the nations and punishment on all the peoples; to bind their kings in chains and their nobles in fetters of iron; to carry out the sentence pre-ordained; this honour is for all His faithful.

All: Glory be to the Father....

Leader 1: Psalm Prayer

Let Israel rejoice in You, Lord, and acknowledge You as Creator and Redeemer. We put our trust in Your faithfulness and proclaim the wonderful truths of salvation. May Your loving kindness embrace us now and forever

All: Blessed Lawrence prayed: I thank You, Lord, for permitting me to enter the gates of Your kingdom.

Reading: (2 Cor. 1:3-5)

Praised be the God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all consolation! He comforts us in all our afflictions and thus enables us to comfort those who are in trouble, with the same consolation we have received from Him. As we have shared much in the suffering of Christ, so through Christ do we share abundantly in His consolation.

RESPONSORY

Leader 1:

The Lord is my strength I shall always praise him.

R: The Lord is my strength I shall always praise Him.

He has become My Saviour.

R: I shall always praise him.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

R: The Lord is my strength I shall always praise Him.

CANTICLE OF ZECHARIAH

Leader 1:

Ant: Do not be afraid, my son, for I am with you; if you

should walk through the fire, the flames will not harm

you, nor will the odour of burning cling to you.

Canticle of Zachariah: Right Side – Left Side Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; He has come to His people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, born of the house of His servant David.

Through His holy prophets He promised of old that He would save us from our enemies, from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers and to remember His holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham: to set us free from the hands of our enemies, free to worship Him without fear, holy and righteous in His sight all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the profit of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare His way, to give His people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

All: Glory be to the Father....

All: Do not be afraid, my son, for I am with you; if you should walk through the fire, the flames will not harm you, nor will the odour of burning cling to you.

INTERCESSIONS

Leader 1:

Our Savior's faithfulness is mirrored in the fidelity of His witnesses who shed their blood for the Word of God.

-Let us praise Him in remembrance of them;

R: You redeemed us by your blood.

Your martyrs freely embraced death in bearing witness for the faith, -give us the true freedom of the Spirit, O Lord.

R: You redeemed us by your blood.

Your martyrs professed their faith by shedding their blood, -give us a faith, O Lord, that is constant and pure.

R: You redeemed us by your blood.

Your martyrs followed in Your footstep by carrying the cross, -help us to endure courageously the misfortunes of life.

R: You redeemed us by your blood.

Your martyrs washed their garments in the blood of the Lamb, -help us to avoid the weaknesses of the flesh and worldly allurements.

R: You redeemed us by your blood.

All: Our Father, who art in heaven

Leader 1:

Father,

you called Saint Lawrence to serve You by love and crowned his life with glorious martyrdom. Help us to be like him in loving You and doing Your work. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy spirit,

God, for ever and ever. Amen

Blessing: The Lord be with you.

R: And with your spirit.

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

R: Amen

Go in peace.

R: Thanks be to God.

Tuesday Morning Closing Prayer

The League Prayer Led by S. Guinta

We humbly pray you, O God our Father, to bless The Catholic Women's League of Canada. Bless our beloved country, our homes and families. Send Your Holy Spirit upon us to give light to our minds and strength to our wills that we may know and fulfill Your great law of charity. Teach us to share with others at home and abroad. the good things You have given us. This we ask through our Lord Jesus Christ and the intersession of our patroness, Our Lady of Good Counsel. Amen

Tuesday Afternoon Opening Prayer

Ceremony to Archive Resolutions

Leader and Voice of All: Cathy Bouchard

Reader 1: Betty Colaneri Reader 2: Fran Lucas

Leader: Please join us in prayer: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Leader: God, our Father, as we gather at this moment to honour the works done for Your glory, we thank You for Your many gifts. We thank You for Your understanding and guidance over the years, as we have tried to do what is right, good and true.

Reader 1: Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy. (Prov. 31:8-9)

Follow justice and justice alone, so that you may live and occupy the land the Lord your God is giving you. (Deut. 16:20)

Let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. (1 Jn. 17)

All: Thanks be to God.

Leader: After serious review, study and prayer, it is time to place some resolutions into the archives. These resolutions represent time and people, events and places. They represent human emotions such as sadness, joy; perhaps even outrage and a sense of accomplishment. They represent human conditions such as poverty, discrimination, injustice, war and peace. They reflect an ever-changing society and a church that has taken strides to keep up with the times.

Reader 2: Let us pray to God, the master of all things

R: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader 1: You provided us with gifts of time and talent; help us to continue in wisdom to identify issues that need to be addressed with a unified voice; and voices that can make a difference to the quality of life, we pray to the Lord.

R: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader 2: You blessed us with an organization capable of reaching the ends of the earth; teach us to find time to reach out to our sisters and brothers in need, we pray.

R: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader 1: You empowered League members to support and implement the action steps of these resolutions; may we always be grateful to them and acknowledge their good works, we pray.

R: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader 2: You hold all creation in your hands; bestow Your love, mercy, compassion, and counsel on all who place their trust and hope in You, we pray.

R: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader 1: Blessed are You, master of all, who has given us time to serve You more fully and therefore, love You more deeply. Hear the prayers we place before You and grant them through Jesus, Your Son.

All: Amen

Leader: Let us pray.

Graciously hear our prayer as we show respect for the tradition and history of resolutions of The Catholic Women's League of Canada.

Let the good works which these resolutions have produced continue to honour You by touching the lives of others. As we place them in Your loving care, we praise You, we glorify You, and we honour You. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

Leader: Announces the names of the resolutions to be archived.

Leader:

A reading from Colossians, 1:25 - 29a. And I have been made a servant of the church by God. who gave me this task to perform for your good. It is the task of fully proclaiming His message, which is the secret He hid through all past ages from all mankind but has now revealed to His people. God's plan is to make known His secret to His people, this rich and glorious secret which He has for all peoples. And the secret is that Christ is in you, which means that you will share in the glory of God. So we preach Christ to everyone. With all possible wisdom we warn and teach them in order to bring each one into God's presence as a mature individual in union with Christ. To get this done, I toil and struggle, using the mighty strength which Christ supplies and which is at work in me. The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Tuesday Afternoon Closing Prayer

Memorial Service for Deceased Members and Spiritual Advisors

Leader and **Voice of All**: Fran Lucas

Leader: At this time we honour the memory of our members and spiritual advisors who have gone from this life to their eternal rest in Christ. We recall their past service and their joy in carrying out the mission of Christ at home, in the parish, and in the whole community.

We pray that the God of all has joyously welcomed them into the fullness of life where they rest in peace and love. Gracious God, to whom mercy and forgiveness belong, hear our prayers on behalf of your faithful servants whom You have called into the light of Your presence. May they be welcomed joyously into Heaven. We ask this through Christ, our Redeemer.

All: Amen

Leader: God is the glory and joy of each of our departed members whose memory we celebrate today. A rose, a symbol of life in Christ, will now be presented as a living memorial of these women.

Leader: Announces the provincial councils while a rose is placed for each - Alberta MacKenzie, B.C. & Yukon, Manitoba, Military Ordinariate, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Saskatchewan.

Leader: Now one pure white rose will be placed in memory of our dearly departed spiritual advisors.

Leader: We thank God for the gift of each member and spiritual advisor whom you shared with us. Eternal rest grant unto them.

All: And let perpetual light shine upon them.

Leader: May they rest in peace.

Tuesday, August 10, 2021 5:00 p.m. CDT

Closing Eucharistic Celebration Live-Streamed Service

Celebrant: Most Rev. Stephen Jensen

Bishop of Prince George

Parish: Sacred Heart Cathedral

887 Patricia Boulevard

Prince George, BC V2L 3V5

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An Act of Spiritual Communion

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Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen

Angelus Grace before Meals

Leader: Most Rev. Stephen Jensen **R**. Response for all – Sharon Geiger

- L. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary,
- **R.** And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, full of grace,
The Lord is with Thee.
Blessed art Thou among women
And Blessed is the fruit of Thy womb, Jesus
Holy Mary, Mother of God
Pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death.
Amen

- **L.** Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
- **R.** Be it done unto me according to Your Word.

Hail Mary,...

- L. And the Word was made flesh,
- **R.** And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary,...

- L. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
- **R.** That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech You, O Lord, Your Grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, your Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by His passion and cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ, our Lord. Amen

^{*} Grace will follow the Angelus - Bishop Jensen

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