

# Christian Family Life

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Communiqué #03

## *Care for Our Common Home*

**TO: Provincial Chairpersons of Christian Family Life**  
**CC: National Executive (for information)**  
**National Life Member Liaison (for information)**  
**FROM: Dorothy Johansen, National Chairperson of Christian Family Life**

My dear League sisters,

As a federal election has recently been held and the cabinet ministers appointed, it is time for members to take action to support Resolution 2019.01 Canada to Honour its Commitment to the United Nations *Convention on the Rights of the Child*.

Resolved, that national council of The Catholic Women's League of Canada, in 99<sup>th</sup> annual national convention assembled, urges the federal government to honour its legal commitment to the United Nations *Convention on the Rights of the Child* by providing legal protection to children before birth.

The action plan is as follows:

1. Write to the prime minister and minister of justice with copies to local members of parliament urging the legal protection to children before birth as stated in the United Nations *Convention on the Rights of the Child* which Canada has signed and ratified.
2. Educate members on the importance of legal protection for unborn children and encourage members to speak to family and friends.
3. Educate members on the importance of understanding United Nations' documents as they apply to the lives of Canadians and encourage members to speak to family and friends.
4. Raise awareness to the annual Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children on January 22<sup>nd</sup>.
5. Monitor the federal government's response to this resolution

Please ask your diocesan counterparts to encourage members to write a short letter that states their opinion that the federal government should honour its legal commitment to the United Nations *Convention on the Rights of the Child* by providing legal protection to children before birth.

The prime minister can be contacted at:

Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario  
K1A 0A2

Alternatively, complete an online contact form at [pm.gc.ca/en/connect/contact](http://pm.gc.ca/en/connect/contact).

The federal minister of justice can be contacted at:

Department of Justice Canada  
284 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario  
K1A 0H8

E-mail: [mcu@justice.gc.ca](mailto:mcu@justice.gc.ca)  
Telephone: (613) 957-4222  
TDD/TTY: (613) 992-4556  
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Additionally, encourage your diocesan counterparts to ask parish councils and members to plan for and participate in the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children on January 22<sup>nd</sup>.



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