

102nd Annual National Convention Program

(All events take place at the Delta unless otherwise stated.)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

- 9:00-4:00 p.m. O'Keefe Ranch and Davison Orchard (ticket required)
- 10:30-1:30 p.m. Wicked Wine Tour (ticket required)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14

- 10:00-4:30 p.m. Distinctly Kelowna City Tour (ticket required)
- 10:00-12:00 p.m. Kelowna Cruise (ticket required)
- 2:00-4:00 p.m. Resolutions Dialogue
- 7:00 p.m. Official opening, Eucharistic celebration and Opening Reception, Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church (ticket required for transportation, buses leave at 5:30)

MONDAY, AUGUST 15

- 8:00-9:15 a.m. Opening Eucharistic Celebration
- 9:30-10:30 a.m. Business sessions
- Call to order
 - Opening remarks
 - Introductions
 - Notice calling meeting
 - Credentials report
- 10:30-11:00 a.m. Health Break
- 11:00-12:00 p.m. Business Sessions
- Adoption of standing rules
 - Approval of agenda
 - Approval of previous minutes
 - Convention committees
 - Correspondence
 - Report of pre-convention meeting
 - Reports of provincial presidents
 - Announcements and angelus
- 1:30-1:45 p.m. Reconvening Prayer
- 1:45-2:30 p.m. Business Sessions
- Reports of provincial presidents
 - Report of national president
 - Report of secretary treasurer
 - Instructed vote on per capita fee increase
 - Report of executive director
 - Review of resolutions process
 - Report of spiritual development chairperson

- 2:30-3:00 p.m. Health Break
- 3:00-4:15 p.m. Business Sessions
- Report of organization chairperson
 - Report of centenary committee
 - Report of Christian family life chairperson
 - Announcements
- 4:15-4:30 p.m. Commissioning of Life Members
- 6:30 p.m. Roaring 20s Night Dinner (ticket required)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16

- 8:30-9:30 a.m. Eucharistic Celebration
- 9:30-9:45 a.m. Health Break
- 9:45-11:15 a.m. "The Art of Accompaniment" Honorary Life Member Barbara Dowding
- 11:15-12:00 p.m. Free Time for Fellowship
- 12:00-1:15 p.m. Life Members' Luncheon (ticket required)
- 12:00-1:15 p.m. Spiritual Advisors' Luncheon (ticket required)
- 1:30-1:40 p.m. Reconvening Prayer
- 1:40-4:15 p.m. "Joyful Momentum" and "You are the Now of God", Author Elizabeth Tomlin
- 4:15-4:30 p.m. Memorial Service for Deceased Members
- 7:00 p.m. Provincial Dinners

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17

- 8:30-9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 9:00-10:00 a.m. "The League of the Future: Year 4" National President-Elect Shari Guinta [strategic planning progress report]
- 10:00-10:30 a.m. Health Break
- 10:30-11:45 p.m. Business Sessions
- Credentials report
 - Report of community life chairperson
 - Report of education and health chairperson
 - Report of communications chairperson
 - Announcements
- 11:45-12:00 p.m. Prayer before Recess

- 1:30-1:45 p.m. **Reconvening Prayer**
 1:45-3:30 p.m. **Business Sessions**
- Presentation by 2023 convention committee
 - Report of resolutions chairperson
 - Report of legislation chairperson
 - Report of laws chairperson
 - Instructed voting on C&B amendments
 - Report of international relations
 - Report of national spiritual advisor
 - Other business
 - Registration report
 - Adjournment

- 5:00 p.m. **Closing Eucharistic Celebration & Reaffirmation of Officers, Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church**
 (ticket required for transportation, buses leave at 4:00)
- 7:00 p.m. **Gala Banquet**

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18

- 9:15-2:45 p.m. **Summerland Steam Train with Detour to Summerland Sweets** (ticket required)

Convention Speakers

National President and Chairperson of International Relations Fran Lucas is pleased to share the convention speakers have been confirmed for the 2022 annual national convention of The Catholic Women's League of Canada. Join us on Tuesday, August 16, 2022, at the Delta Hotels by Marriott Grand Okanagan Resort for a day filled with spirituality, accompaniment and joy as we gather together for the first time since 2019.

"The Art of Accompaniment," Honorary Life Member Barb Dowding (2014-2016)

In solidarity with Pope Francis' synodal model of church, members will explore ways of walking together, listening to each other's stories of faith, love, hurt or pain. Putting ourselves "out there" and having the courage to listen authentically, giving one another the time and space to say what is truly on the heart—that is who we are.

Called to encounter, accompany, listen and discern, we relate to our sisters in the League like never before. As sisters in the Lord, we will find ways to be approachable, non-judgmental and open to dialogue, offering patience, warmth and welcome, one person at a time.

With humility and trust in the Holy Spirit, embracing our baptismal call to bring others to Jesus, members truly are *Catholic and Living It!*



"Joyful Momentum: Best Practices for Growing Spirited Women's Groups," Elizabeth Tomlin

A vibrant women's group enhances the life of the parish and provides a place where women accompany each other in their faith journeys. This session will provide a framework for how to start a women's ministry from scratch and present tools and ideas to cultivate a community that is grounded in spiritual friendships, extends biblical hospitality, develops new leaders and practices practical and spiritual mentorship.



"You are the 'Now' of God: Living *Christus Vivit* in Small Group Parish Ministry," Elizabeth Tomlin

In his apostolic exhortation, *Christus Vivit*, Pope Francis writes, "You are the 'now' of God," and he calls the faithful to have youthful hearts open to renewal, bendable like reeds blowing in the wind, but rooted firmly in our Catholic faith. This presentation explores key lessons of *Christus Vivit* and presents a framework to accompany individuals as they become courageous, empathetic missionary disciples. †