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Celebration of the Eucharist The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Celebrant:	Most Rev. Martin Currie
First Reading:	Marie Rackley
Second Reading:	Anne Gorman
Prayer of the Faithful:	Dorothy Johansen
Offertory Procession :	Glenda Carson, June Brown,
	Judy Hodge, Joline Belliveau

Gathering Hymn: Immaculate Mary

Immaculate Mary, your praises we sing. You reign now in heaven with Jesus our King.

Refrain: Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria! Ave, Ave, Maria!

In heaven the blessed your glory proclaim; On earth we your children invoke your fair name. [Refrain]

Your name is our power, your virtues our light; Your love is our comfort, your prayers are our might. [Refrain]

We pray for our mother, the church upon earth, And bless, Holy Mary, the land of our birth. [Refrain]

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First Reading:	Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a: 10ab
Psalm Response:	The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26

Gospel: Luke 1:39-56

Prayer of the Faithful

Celebrant: Blessed is she who trusted that the Lord's words to her would be fulfilled. Like Mary, let us now trust that he will hear our prayers.

Dorothy Johansen: The response to the intentions is "Hear our prayer".

That the church, like the Virgin Mary, may bring Christ into the world with joy, and be joined with Him in endless life, we pray to the Lord... **R**.

That the Assumption of Mary may awaken government leaders to the supreme dignity of each human life, which is called to the heights of heavenly glory, we pray to the Lord... \mathbf{R} .

For all mothers, that they may find in Mary the example and strength to carry out their vocation, we pray to the Lord... \mathbf{R} .

For the lowly, the hungry and the dispossessed, that the Almighty will do great things in their lives and in the lives of all who are deprived of human dignity, we pray to the Lord... **R.**

That the sick may draw strength, consolation and healing by turning to Mary, who intercedes for us from her place in heaven, we pray to the Lord... \mathbf{R} .

That all who mourn for departed loved ones may take courage from this Feast and find renewed hope in the promised resurrection, we pray to the Lord... \mathbf{R} .

For the Catholic Women's League, that, inspired by Mary's witness of faith and her holiness of life, members may always be positive signs of hope. (pause) Lord in your mercy, we pray to the Lord... **R**.

Celebrant: Father, by bringing Mary body and soul to heavenly glory, You give us new hope. May we never doubt that you will hear and answer our prayers, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Preparation of the Gifts: Sing of Mary

Sing of Mary, pure and lowly, Virgin Mother undefiled. Sing of God's own Son most holy, who became her little child. Fairest child of fairest Mother, God the Lord who came to earth, Word made flesh, our very brother, takes our nature by His birth.

Sing of Jesus, son of Mary, in the home at Nazareth. Toil and labour cannot weary love enduring unto death. Constant was the love He gave her, though He went forth from her side, forth to preach, and heal, and suffer, till on Calvary He died.

Glory be to God the Father; glory be to God the Son; glory be to God the Spirit; glory to the Three in One. From the heart of blessed Mary, from all saints the song ascends,

and the church the strain re-echoes unto earth's remotest ends.

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Communion Hymn: Bread of Life

Refrain: Bread of life, hope of the world, Jesus Christ, our brother; feed us now, give us life, lead us to one another.

1. As we proclaim Your death as we recall Your life, We remember Your promise to return again. [Refrain]

2. The bread we break and share was scattered once as grain: Just as now it is gathered, make Your people one. [Refrain]

3. We eat this living bread; we drink this saving cup: Sign of hope in our broken world, source of lasting love. [Refrain]

4. Hold us unity, in love for all to see; That the world may believe in You, God of all who live. [Refrain]

5. You are the bread of peace, You are the wine of joy, Broken now for Your people, poured in endless love. [Refrain]

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Holy Is His Name

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord And my spirit exalts in God my saviour For He has looked with mercy on my lowliness And my name will be forever exalted For the mighty God has done great things for me And His mercy will reach from age to age And holy, holy, holy is His name

He has mercy in every generation He has revealed His power and His glory He has cast down the mighty in their arrogance And has lifted up the meek and the lonely He has come to help His servant Israel He remembered His promise to our fathers And holy, holy, holy is His name Holy, holy, holy is His name

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Oh Mother

Oh mother of the Son of God Behold I am your child Filled with grace And pierced inside You hear my silent cry

Refrain: Oh mother, oh mother, oh mother of God oh mother, oh mother, oh mother of mine Lead us to your Son.

Oh mother of this weary world Behold I am your child Shelter us in your love Hold us by your side. [Refrain]

In Silence:

John 19:25-27

Standing by the Cross of Jesus were His mother and His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas and Mary of Magdala. When Jesus saw His mother and His disciple there whom He loved, He said to his mother: "Woman, behold, your son..... "Then He said to the disciple.... "Behold your mother."

Behold your Son Behold your mother Lead us as one Back to Our Father [Refrain]

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Recessional Hymn: Hail Holy Queen Enthroned Above

Hail, Holy Queen enthroned above, O Maria. Hail, Queen of mercy and of love, O Maria. Triumph, all ye cherubim, Sing with us, ye seraphim, Heaven and earth resound the hymn: Salve, salve, salve Regina!

Our life, our sweetness, here below, O Maria! Our hope in sorrow and in woe, O Maria! Triumph, all ye cherubim, Sing with us, ye seraphim, Heaven and earth resound the hymn: Salve, salve, salve Regina!

As exiles all to you we cry, O Maria! Come soothe with hope in misery, O Maria! Triumph, all ye cherubim, Sing with us, ye seraphim, Heaven and earth resound the hymn: Salve, salve, salve Regina!

Turn then most gracious Advocate, O Maria! Toward us your eyes compassionate, O Maria! Triumph, all ye cherubim, Sing with us, ye seraphim, Heaven and earth resound the hymn: Salve, salve, salve Regina!

O gentle loving, holy one, O Maria! Make us each day more like your Son, O Maria! Triumph, all ye cherubim, Sing with us, ye seraphim, Heaven and earth resound the hymn: Salve, salve, salve Regina!

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Morning Closing Prayer

Angelus Grace before Meals

The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary, 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
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Pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death.
and at the hour of our death.
Amon
Amen
Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
Be it done unto me according to Your Word.
Hail Mary,
And the Word was made flesh,
And dwelt among us.
Hail Mary,
Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
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.)

Afternoon Opening Prayer

Scriptural Rosary of the Glorious Mystery – The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Leaders:	Left side: Mary Hunt, Sharon Geiger
	Right side: Crystal Reiter, Allison Klemen
Blessing:	Most Rev. Stephen Jensen

Mary Hunt: THE FOURTH GLORIOUS MYSTERY -THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY INTO HEAVEN Mary is assumed, body and soul into heaven and reunited with her Son, Jesus. Through her assumption, Mary became the reflection of her risen Son. She is also the model of the perfection to which we are called. She represents total submission to the will of God. Mary, as Mother of the Church, protect the Mystical Body of your Son, and our Saviour.

Sharon Geiger: Let us ask Mary to especially pray with us for the souls in purgatory; that she might join with us in intercession for those who can no longer help themselves. Those who now entirely depend on us for their final purification. Let us pray especially for the souls forgotten, who have no one to remember them.

Crystal Reiter: Our Father...

Allison Klemen / ALL:...Give us this day our daily bread...

Mary Hunt: My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for He has regarded the low estate of His handmaiden. For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed. (Lk 1:46-48)

Crystal Reiter: Hail Mary...

Allison Klemen / ALL:...Holy Mary...

Sharon Geiger: He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is His name. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones and has lifted up the lowly. (Lk 1:48, 51)

Crystal Reiter: Hail Mary...

Allison Klemen / ALL:...Holy Mary...

Mary Hunt: Mary was conceived full of grace; God's supernatural life dwelt in Mary from the very beginning of her existence. Mary is filled with God's saving grace, even before Jesus was conceived in her womb.

Crystal Reiter: Hail Mary...

Allison Klemen / ALL:...Holy Mary...

Sharon Geiger: God became man in Mary's womb. Jesus is the ALL-holy God, the Second Person of the Trinity, we believe He is worthy to dwell in a pure vessel, a holy temple. Thus, it is fitting that God would prepare Mary as an immaculate dwelling place, full of grace and not stained by sin, for the God-man.

Crystal Reiter: Hail Mary...

Allison Klemen / ALL:...Holy Mary...

Mary Hunt: Mary was taken body and soul into heavenly glory right at the end of her earthly life.

Crystal Reiter: Hail Mary...

Allison Klemen / ALL:...Holy Mary...

Sharon Geiger: Mary is the first Christian disciple; it is fitting that she would be the first to receive the blessings of following Christ.

Crystal Reiter: Hail Mary...

Allison Klemen / ALL:...Holy Mary...

Mary Hunt: Mary is presented as the first to hear God's word and accept it at the annunciation.

Crystal Reiter: Hail Mary...

Allison Klemen / ALL:...Holy Mary...

Sharon Geiger: Mary remains faithful to her son, following Him even to the cross (see John 19:25–27), where she experiences the fulfillment of Simeon's prophecy at the presentation: "A sword will pierce through your own soul also"

Crystal Reiter: Hail Mary...

Allison Klemen / ALL:...Holy Mary...

Mary Hunt: Mary perseveres in faith throughout her life. She gathers with the apostles for prayer even after her Son's ascension (see Acts 1:14). Thus, the New Testament presents a clear portrait of Mary as the first and preeminent disciple of Christ, who hears the word of God and keeps it in her heart

Crystal Reiter: Hail Mary...

Allison Klemen / ALL:...Holy Mary...

Sharon Geiger: Mary experienced the resurrection and glorification of her body at the moment her earthly life

ended. Thus, her assumption—which flows from her unique participation in Christ's victory as the mother of the Saviour and as the first and most faithful of Christ's followers

Crystal Reiter: Hail Mary...

Allison Klemen / ALL:...Holy Mary...

Crystal Reiter: Glory Be

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Allison Klemen / ALL:...as it was in the beginning...

Mary Hunt: O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy. Amen

Sharon Geiger: Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To you we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to you we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy toward us; and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

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

Mary Hunt: Let us pray: O God, whose Only Begotten Son, by His Life, Death, and Resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, grant, we beseech thee, that while meditating on these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bishop Jensen:

Father in heaven, All creation rightly gives You praise, for all life and all holiness come from You. In the plan of Your wisdom she who bore the Christ in her womb was raised body and soul in glory to be with Him in heaven. May we follow her example in reflecting Your holiness and join in her hymn of endless love and praise. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the Lord Bless you, protect you from evil and bring you to everlasting life. Amen.

Afternoon Closing Prayer

Commissioning of New Life Members

Leader:	Shari Guinta
President:	Fran Lucas
Facilitator:	Doreen Gowans
Spiritual Advisor:	Most Rev. Stephen Jensen

Shari Guinta: At this time, we welcome the new life members and call them forward to receive the sign of God's blessing as a life member of The Catholic Women's League of Canada:

NEW LIFE MEMBERS ARE CALLED FORWARD

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

Doreen Gowans organizes the new life members for the receiving line of honorary life members.

Honorary life members take their designated places to welcome the new life members. The new life members are summoned one by one by name, by Fran Lucas and invited to come forward, each to dip her hand in a bowl of holy water held by Fran Lucas. Each makes the sign of the cross, then moves to face Bishop Jensen.

Bishop Jensen: Receive the Sign of the Cross on your hands, that through the touch of your hands in service to the people of God, you may know God's presence in your life.

When all have been signed, Bishop Jensen makes the Sign of the Cross over all of them together and says the following prayer:

Bishop Jensen: Almighty God, by the cross and resurrection of Your Son, You have given life and hope to Your people. Your servants have received the sign of the cross. Make them living proof of its saving power and

support them always as they serve You through their actions as life members.

Shari Guinta: 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.

ALL: Amen

Celebration of the Eucharist

Celebrant:	Most Rev. Stephen Jensen
First Reading:	June Brown
Prayer of the Faithful	: Joline Belliveau
Offertory Procession :	Linda Squarzolo, Gay Garvey
	Alice Noble, Connie Crichton

Gathering Hymn:Table of PlentyRefrain: Come to the feast of heaven and earthCome to the table of plentyGod will provide for all that we needHere at the table of plenty

O come and sit at my table Where saints and sinners are friends I wait to welcome the lost and lonely To share the cup of my love. [Refrain]

O come and eat without money Come to drink without price My feast of gladness will feed your spirit With faith and fullness of life. [Refrain]

My bread will ever sustain you Through days of sorrow and war My wine will flow like a sea of gladness To flood the depths of your soul. [Refrain]

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First Reading:	Ezekiel 28:1-10
Psalm:	Deut.32
Psalm Response:	It is I who deal death and give life.

Gospel: Matthew 19: 23-30

Prayer of the Faithful

Celebrant: To the God of mercies and of all consolation, we now turn, bringing the needs of the whole human family...

Joline Belliveau: The response to these prayers is "Lord, hear our prayer".

We pray for Pope Francis and the leaders of our church. Through their words, may we be strengthened in our faith. We pray to the Lord. \mathbf{R} .

We pray for the leaders of our world. May they act with wisdom, courage and unity to find a way towards peace. We pray to the Lord. ${\bf R}$

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more fully in areas of responsibility in the church, without falling into forms of clericalism that diminish the lay charism. We pray to the Lord. \mathbf{R}

For The Catholic Women's League of Canada and all its members, that God will bless and guide us as we strive to live out our call to holiness through service to the people of God. We pray to the Lord. \mathbf{R}

We pray for the sick and for all who have asked for our prayers. We pray for those who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they be welcomed into the eternal kingdom to receive the rewards of their faithful service. We pray to the Lord. **R**

Celebrant: Gracious God, through the words of our prayers and the actions of our daily lives, may we be your fruitful vineyard. May your peace come to us and to all people. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Preparation of the Gifts: The Servant Song What do You want of me, Lord? Where do you want me to serve You? Where can I sing Your praises. I am Your song.

Jesus, Jesus, You are the Lord. Jesus, Jesus, You are the way.

I hear You call my name, Lord, and I am moved within me. Your Spirit stirs my deepest self. Sing Your songs in me.

Jesus, Jesus, You are my Lord. Jesus, Jesus, You are the way.

Above, below, and around me. Before, behind and all through me Your Spirit burns deep within me. Fire my life with Your love.

Jesus, Jesus, be warmth of my heart. Jesus, Jesus, You are the way

You are the light in my darkness. You are my strength when I'm weary. You give me sight when I'm blinded. Come see for me.

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Jesus, Jesus, You are my light. Jesus, Jesus, You are the way

I am Your song and servant, Singing Your praises like Mary. Surrendered to Your spirit Let it be done to me!

Jesus, Jesus, let it be done to me! Jesus, Jesus, You are the way.

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Communion Hymn: Bread of Life

Bread of life and cup of hope We come as gift to You Change our hearts, fill us with peace Transform our lives anew Open our eyes so that we may see, Your presence in one another Your life poured out in love today, unites us all in You

Loving Lord, Creator God Open our eyes to see The good that lives in each of us, that calls the world to be And when we fail to see the good, when friendships crumble and falter Give us the courage to forgive, that we may live in peace

Living Word, O Son of God Your love shows us the way That we may live in harmony And from You never stray Wipe all oppression from our midst, give us a love for all people Your song of justice sing in us, to live for peace today.

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Jesus Be With Us

Refrain: Living bread and saving cup, Jesus be with us. Endless mercy, endless love, Jesus be with us. Jesus nobiscum, Jesus nobiscum

Bread of life from heaven, now we come to You. We shall never hunger if we put our trust in You. [Refrain]

Living water for the soul, drink and never thirst. Flow through us and make us whole, let us be renewed. [Refrain]

You are Light for all the world, shine for us the way. Lead us out of darkness Lord, turn night into day. [Refrain]

Shepherd us oh saving Lord, call to us by name. We will follow through the gate into pastures green. [Refrain]

You are the Vine oh Lord, we belong to You As branches of the tree of life, let us bear much fruit. [Refrain]

Taste and see the Lord is good, good and kind to true, and as children we come now and put our faith in You. [Refrain]

Let us live together now, baptized into one We are one in Spirit with the Father and the Son. [Refrain]

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Oh Mother

Oh mother of the Son of God Behold I am your child Filled with grace And pierced inside You hear my silent cry

Refrain: Oh mother, oh mother, oh mother of God Oh mother, oh mother, oh mother of mine Lead us to your Son.

Oh mother of this weary world Behold I am your child Shelter us in your love Hold us by your side. [Refrain]

In silence:

John 19:25-27

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Behold your Son Behold your Mother Lead us as One Back to Our Father [Refrain]

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Recessional: Take the Word of God

Take the word of God with you as you go. Take the seeds of God's word and make them grow. Go in peace to serve the world, in peace to serve the world. Take the love of God, the love of God with you as you go.

Take the peace of God with you as you go. Take the seeds of God's peace and make them grow. Go in peace to serve the world, in peace to serve the world. Take the love of God, the love of God with you as you go.

Take the joy of God with you as you go. Take the seeds of God's joy and make them grow. Go in peace to serve the world, in peace to serve the world. Take the love of God, the love of God with you as you go.

Take the love of God with you as you go. Take the seeds of God's love and make them grow. Go in peace to serve the world, in peace to serve the world. Take the love of God, the love of God with you as you go.

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Afternoon Opening Prayer

A Litany of the League

Leaders: Left: Anne Gorman, Faith Anderson Right: Judy Hodge, Mary Hunt Blessing: Most Rev. Stephen Jensen

(On screens) Judy Hodge: We gather in prayer (lead Sign of the Cross)

ALL: Sign of the Cross

Judy Hodge: Make me know Your ways, O God; teach me Your paths. Lead me in Your truth and teach me.

Faith Anderson: O God, let Your good spirit lead me in ways that are level and smooth.

Mary Hunt: A reading from Acts. "On the Sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home. And she prevailed upon us." (Acts 16:13 - 15)

Anne Gorman: O God, give us wisdom, the attendant at Your throne that she may be with us and work with us.

Judy Hodge / ALL: O God, give us wisdom, the attendant at Your throne that she may be with us and work with us.

Anne Gorman: Send her forth from Your holy heavens;

Judy Hodge / ALL: that she may be with us and work with us.

Anne Gorman: Glory to you, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit.

Judy Hodge / ALL: O God, give us wisdom, the attendant at Your throne that she may be with us and work with us.

Intercessions

Faith Anderson: Mary called Jesus forth at the wedding feast of Cana;

Mary Hunt / ALL: Enable us to call for the gifts and talents of others.

Faith Anderson: Mary Magdalene was given the mission to announce Jesus rising to his followers

Mary Hunt / ALL: Grant that women may be heard as they speak as the Spirit directs them.

Faith Anderson: The woman with the hemorrhage brought forth power for Jesus with a touch;

Mary Hunt / ALL: May our reaching out to others empower them to be their true selves.

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Faith Anderson: Miriam, the prophetess, led the people in dancing and singing praises to God;

Mary Hunt / ALL: May women who are called be given the opportunity to lead the people of God according to their gifts.

Faith Anderson: Jesus, one who served You, we know only as Peter's mother-in-law;

Mary Hunt / ALL: Bless all nameless women who so generously serve others and let them know their worth.

Faith Anderson: Peter's wife and the wives of the apostles are never mentioned;

Mary Hunt / ALL: May women who have been so invisible in recorded history find their rightful place as equal shapers of the destiny of this universe.

Mary Hunt: Phoebe was a deacon in the early church; Bridget of Kildare, who was a Druid priestess, continued her priestly ministry as a Christian and an Abbess;

Faith Anderson / ALL: Bless women theologians today, and may their work enable women to take their rightful place in church ministry and leadership.

Mary Hunt: Queen Esther pleased eloquently the cause of her people before King Xerxes;

Faith Anderson / ALL: We give thanks for women in the legal professions and pray that justice be better served through them. **Mary Hunt:** People from all over the countryside came to Hildegard of Bingen because of her knowledge of medicinal herbs and power of healing;

Faith Anderson / ALL: May women in health professions share in the healing power of Jesus, combining their scientific knowledge with true compassion.

Mary Hunt: Through her writings, Teresa of Avila was declared a doctor of the church;

Faith Anderson / ALL: Grant women poets, writers and journalists the power to express and to articulate their finding and experience, so that women's reality may enter the mainstream of history.

Mary Hunt: Women throughout the centuries have been great educators; they have managed business affairs and households and exceled in specialized fields;

Faith Anderson / ALL: Empower women seeking professional occupations to achieve equal and just recompense for their services.

Anne Gorman: O God, Your Son, Jesus, defied the established customs of His times in His willingness to relate with women. He sat at their table, was taught by them, and numbered them among His followers. Remove the bushel that has dimmed the light they have to give, and enable them to shine forth in this, our time, so that this universe, Your household, will be glorified by all Your daughters and sons – equal participants in the salvific work of Jesus in whose redemption we all partake. We ask this in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

Blessing: (Bishop Jensen):

May the Lord bless you, protect you from all evil and bring us to everlasting life. Amen. (*lead Sign of the Cross*)

Please greet each other with a Sign of Peace.

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Afternoon Closing Prayer

Memorial Service for Deceased Members and Spiritual Advisors

Leader:	Shari Guinta
White rose:	Fran Lucas
Red roses:	Provincial Presidents

Shari Guinta: 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

Shari Guinta: 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.

(Alberta Mackenzie, B.C. & Yukon, Manitoba, Military Ordinariate, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Prince Edward Island, Quebec and Saskatchewan <u>will be called up individually.)</u>

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And now National President Fran Lucas will place one pure white rose in memory of our dearly departed spiritual advisors.

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

ALL: And let perpetual light shine upon them.

Shari Guinta: May they rest in peace.



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Morning Prayer

Leader:	Connie Crichton
Responder ALL	Glenda Carson
Leader Right Side	Maggie Schwab
Leader Left Side	Rolande Chernichan
Reader:	Alice Noble
Blessing:	Bishop Stephen Jensen

Connie Crichton: Lord, open my lips.

Glenda Carson / ALL: And my mouth will proclaim Your praise.

Connie Crichton: Come, let us worship the Lord, our mighty God.

Connie Crichton: Come, let us sing to the Lord and shout with joy to the Rock who saves us. Let us approach Him with praise and thanksgiving and sing joyful songs to the Lord.

Glenda Carson / ALL: Come, let us worship the Lord, our mighty God.

Connie Crichton: The Lord is God, the mighty God, the great king over all the gods. He holds in His hands the depths of the earth and the highest mountains as well. He made the sea; it belongs to Him, the dry land, too, for it was formed by His hands.

Glenda Carson / ALL: Come, let us worship the Lord, our mighty God.

Connie Crichton: Come, then, let us bow down and worship, bending the knee before the Lord, our maker.

For He is our God and we are His people, the flock He shepherds.

Glenda Carson / ALL: Come, let us worship the Lord, our mighty God.

Connie Crichton: Today, listen to the voice of the Lord: Do not grow stubborn, as your fathers did in the wilderness, when at Meriba and Massah they challenged Me and provoked Me, although they had seen all of My works.

Glenda Carson / ALL: Come, let us worship the Lord, our mighty God.

Connie Crichton: Forty years I endured that generation. I said, "They are a people whose hearts go astray and they do not know My ways". So I swore in My anger, "They shall not enter into My rest".

Glenda Carson / ALL: Come, let us worship the Lord, our mighty God.

Connie Crichton: Glory to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Glenda Carson/ ALL: Come, let us worship the Lord, our mighty God.

Hymn: All Creatures of Our God and King (read)

Alice Noble leads: All creatures of our God and king Lift up your voices and with us sing Alleluia, alleluia Thou burning with golden beam Thou silver moon with softer gleam Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, Thou rushing wind that art so strong Ye clouds that sail in heaven along Alleluia, alleluia Thou rising morn in praise rejoice Ye light of evening find a voice Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, Thou flowing water pure and clear Make music for thy Lord to hear Alleluia, alleluia

Thou fire so masterful and bright That gives to man both warmth and light Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,

Connie Crichton: I will sing to you, O Lord; I will learn from You the way of perfection.

Margaret Schwab / Right Side: My song is of mercy and justice; I sing to You O Lord. I will walk in the way of perfection. O when, Lord, will You come?

Rolande Chernichan / Left Side: I will walk with blameless heart within my horse, I will not set before my eyes whatever is base.

Margaret Schwab / Right Side: I will hate the ways of the crooked; they shall not be my friends. The false-hearted must keep far away; the wicked I disown.

Rolande Chernichan / Left Side: The man who slanders his neighbour in secret I will bring to silence. The man of proud looks and haughty heart I will never endure.

Margaret Schwab / Right Side: I look to the faithful in the land that they may dwell with me. He who walks in the way of perfection shall be my friend.

Rolande Chernichan / Left Side: No man who practices deceit shall live within my house. No man who utters lies shall stand before my eyes.

Margaret Schwab / Right Side: Morning by morning I will silence all the wicked in the land, uprooting from the city of the Lord all who do evil.

Connie Crichton: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

Glenda Carson / ALL: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Connie Crichton: So that your people may walk in innocence, you came to us, Lord Jesus, and told us to be holy as your Father is holy. Help Your children to love what is truly perfect, so that we may neither speak what is evil nor do what is wrong. Let us stand in Your sight and celebrate with You the Father's love and justice.

Glenda Carson / ALL: Come, let us worship the Lord, our mighty God.

Connie Crichton: Lord, do not withhold Your compassion from us.

Margaret Schwab / Right Side: Blessed are You, and praiseworthy, O Lord, the God of our fathers, and glorious forever is Your name.

Rolande Chernichan / Left Side: For You are just in all You have done; all Your deeds are faultless, all Your ways right, and all Your judgements proper.

Margaret Schwab / Right Side: For we have sinned and transgressed by departing from You, and we have done every kind of evil.

Rolande Chernichan / Left Side: For Your name's sake, do not deliver us up forever, or make void Your covenant.

Margaret Schwab / Right Side: Do not take away Your mercy from us, for the sake of Abraham, Your beloved, Isaac Your servant, and Israel Your holy one

Rolande Chernichan / Left Side: to whom You promised to multiply their offspring like the stars of heaven, or the sand on the shore of the sea.

Margaret Schwab / Right Side: For we are reduced, O Lord, beyond any nation, brought low everywhere in the world this day because of our sins.

Rolande Chernichan / Left Side: We have in our day no prince, prophet, or leader, no holocaust, sacrifice, oblation or incense, no place to offer first fruits, to find favour with You.

Margaret Schwab / Right Side: But with contrite heart and humble spirit let us be received; as though it were holocausts or rams and bullocks, or thousands of fat lambs, so let our sacrifice be in Your presence today as we follow You unreservedly; for those who trust in You cannot be put to shame.

Rolande Chernichan / Left Side: And now we follow You with our whole heart, we fear You and we pray to You.

Connie Crichton: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

Glenda Carson / ALL: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Glenda Carson / ALL: Lord, do not withhold Your compassion from us.

Connie Crichton: O God, I will sing to you a new song.

Margaret Schwab / Right Side: Blessed by the Lord, my rock, who trains my army for battle, who prepares my hands for war.

Rolande Chernichan / Left Side: He is my love, my fortress; He is my stronghold, my saviour, my shield, my place of refuge. He brings peoples under my rule.

Margaret Schwab / Right Side: Lord, what is man that You care for him, mortal man, that You keep him in mind; man, who is merely a breath, whose life fades like a passing shadow?

Rolande Chernichan / Left Side: Lower Your heavens and come down; touch the mountains; wreathe them in smoke. Flash Your lightnings; rout the foe, shoot Your arrows and put them to flight.

Margaret Schwab / Right Side: Reach down from heaven and save me; draw me out from the might waters, from the hands of alien foes whose mouths are filled with lies, whose hands are raised in perjury.

Rolande Chernichan / Left Side: To You, O God, will I sing a new song; I will play on the ten-stringed harp to You who give kings their victory, who set David Your servant free.

Connie Crichton: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

Glenda Carson / ALL: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Connie Crichton: Lord, God of strength, You gave Your Son victory over death. Direct Your church's fight against evil in the world. Clothe us with the weapons of light and unite us under the one banner of love, that we may receive our eternal reward after the battle of earthly life.

Glenda Carson / ALL: O God, I will sing to You a new song.

Reading: (Isaiah 55:1-3)

Alice Noble: All you who are thirsty, come to the water! You who have no money, come, receive grain and eat. Come, without paying and without cost, drink wine and milk! Why spend your money for what is not bread; your wages for what fails to satisfy? Heed Me, and you shall eat well, you shall delight in rich fare. Come to Me heedfully, listen, that you may have life. I will renew with you the everlasting covenant, the benefits assured to David.

Connie Crichton: Lord, listen to my cry; All my trust is in Your promise.

Glenda Carson / ALL: Lord, listen to my cry; All my trust is in Your promise.

Connie Crichton: Dawn finds me watching, crying out for You.

Glenda Carson / ALL: All my trust is in Your promise.

Connie Crichton: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit

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Glenda Carson / ALL: Lord, listen to my cry; all my trust is in Your promise.

Canticle of Zechariah (Please stand.) **Connie Crichton**: Lord, save us from the hand of all who hate us.

Glenda Carson / ALL: 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 prophet 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.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. **Glenda Carson / ALL:** Lord, save us from the hands of all who hate us.

Intercessions

Connie Crichton: To the God who gives us joy of praising Him this morning, and who strengthens our hope, let us pray:

Glenda Carson / ALL: Hear us, O Lord, for the glory of Your name.

Connie Crichton: We thank you, God and Father of Jesus our Saviour,

Glenda Carson / ALL for the knowledge and immortality You have given us through Him. Hear us, O Lord, for the glory of Your name.

Connie Crichton: Make us humble of heart

Glenda Carson / ALL help us to serve one another out of reverence for Christ. Hear us, O Lord, for the glory of Your name.

Connie Crichton: Pour out Your Spirit upon us, Your servants

Glenda Carson / ALL make us sincere in our love for each other. Hear us, O Lord, for the glory of Your name.

Connie Crichton: You instructed man to labour and to exercise dominion of the earth,

Glenda Carson / ALL may our work honour You and sanctify our brothers and sisters. Hear us, O Lord, for the glory of Your name.

Glenda Carson / ALL Our Father...

Concluding Prayer

Connie Crichton: Increase in us, Lord, the faith You have given us, and bring to a harvest worthy of heaven the praise we offer You at the beginning of this new day. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Glenda Carson / ALL: Amen.

Bishop Jensen: Blessing

Wednesday Afternoon Opening Prayer

A Litany of Women for the Church

Readers:	Linda Squarzolo, Allison Klemen
	Gay Garvey, Crystal Reiter

A Litany of Women for the Church

Linda Squarzolo: Dear God, creator of women in Your own image, born of a woman in the midst of a world half women, carried by women to mission fields around the globe, made known by women to all the children of the earth.

Gay Garvey: Give to the women of our time the strength to persevere, the courage to speak out, the faith to believe in You beyond all systems and institutions so that Your face on earth may be seen in all its beauty, so that women and men become whole, so that the church may be converted to Your will in everything and in all ways.

Allison Klemen: We call on the holy women who went before us, channels of Your Word in testaments old and new, to intercede for us so that we might be given the grace to become what they have been for the honour and glory of God.

Crystal Reiter: The response to the invocation of each woman is *Pray for Us*.

Saint Esther, who pleaded against power for the liberation of the people R

Saint Judith, who routed the plans of men and saved the community, R

Saint Deborah, laywoman and judge, who led the people of God, \boldsymbol{R}

Saint Elizabeth of Judea, who recognized the value of another woman, \boldsymbol{R}

Linda Squarzolo: Saint Mary Magdalene, minister of Jesus, the first evangelist of the Christ, R

Saint Scholastica, who taught her brother Benedict to honour the spirit above the system, R

Saint Hildegard, who suffered interdict for the doing of right, R

Saint Joan of Arc, who put no law above the law of God, R

Gay Garvey: Saint Clare of Assisi, who confronted the pope with the image of woman as equal, **R**

Saint Julian of Norwich, who proclaimed for all of us the motherhood of God, R

Saint Thérèse of Lisieux, who knew the call to priesthood in herself, R

Saint Catherine of Siena, to whom the pope listened, R

Allison Klemen: Saint Teresa of Avila, who brought women's gifts to the reform of the church, R

Saint Edith Stein, who brought fearlessness to faith, R

Saint Elizabeth Seton, who broke down boundaries between lay women and religious by wedding motherhood and religious life, R

Saint Dorothy Day, who led the church in a new sense of justice, R

Crystal Reiter: Mary, mother of Jesus, who heard the call of God and answered, *R*

Mary, mother of Jesus, who drew strength from the woman Elizabeth, R

Mary, mother of Jesus, who underwent hardship bearing Christ, \boldsymbol{R}

Mary, mother of Jesus, who ministered at Cana, R

Mary, mother of Jesus, inspirited at Pentecost, **R**

Mary mother of Jesus, who turned the Spirit of God into the body and blood of Christ, pray for us. R

Linda Squarzolo: We gather our prayers, and offer them up through Mary, through these holy women to our God in heaven.

ALL: AMEN

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Wednesday Afternoon Closing Prayer

Theme Prayer – Catholic and Living It!

Leader: Cathy Bouchard

Loving Father, open our hearts to Your infinite love for all people, And to Your presence with us Wherever we go in Your name.

Lord Jesus, deepen the spiritual Life of the Catholic Women's League. Strengthen the faith and good Works of our members, Building-up the life in the world By being *Catholic and Living It!* May we imitate You with works of mercy, Welcoming the forgotten, Suffering or vulnerable wherever We encounter them. Holy Spirit, Strengthen us to live our faith, Witnessing to life, peace and Social justice daily wherever we are in Canada.

Through the intercession of Our Lady of Good Counsel, May we be joyful and responsive to our Christian calling, by truly being *Catholic and Living It!*

We make this prayer through Jesus, our Teacher and Messiah, Who lives and reigns with the Father And the Holy Spirit, Forever and ever. **Amen**

League Prayer

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 intercession of our patroness, Our Lady of Good Counsel. AMEN