

# Spiritual Development

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Communiqué 08

*Catholic and Living It!*

**FOR:** Provincial Chairpersons of Spiritual Development  
**THROUGH:** Provincial Presidents and Secretaries  
**CC:** National Executive (for information)  
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**ENC:** 102<sup>nd</sup> Annual National Convention Oral Report

Communiqué #7 in July stated that resources were attached for the September 21<sup>st</sup> National Day of Prayer for Christians in the Holy Land. October 1<sup>st</sup> is National Day of Prayer for Canadian Home Missions. Links for resources can be found on the national website version of the communiqué at <https://cwl.ca/communiqué-7-spiritual-development/>.

Item #622 League's *Calendar of Social Events* has many of the dates members look for along with website addresses for resources. It has been prepared by the Catholic Social Teaching Working Group. Please share this information with your diocesan counterparts.

Did you know that the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops posts a liturgical calendar for each year? It is available at <https://www.cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/2021-2022-1.pdf>.

Of course, the League continues to celebrate April 26<sup>th</sup>, the Feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel. Did you know that the Roman Catholic Church in Canada reports this date as an optional memorial with a specific preface? The Mass for Our Lady of Good Counsel was used for the closing mass at the annual national convention.

## **C.1.B. PREFACE II OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY THE CHURCH PRAISES GOD WITH THE WORDS OF MARY**

**V.** The Lord be with you.  
**R. And with your spirit.**  
**V.** Lift up your hearts.  
**R. We lift them up to the Lord.**  
**V.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**R. It is right and just.**

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,  
to praise your mighty deeds in the exaltation of all the Saints,  
and especially, as we celebrate the memory of the Blessed Virgin Mary,

to proclaim your kindness as we echo her thankful hymn of praise.

For truly even to earth's ends you have done great things  
and extended your abundant mercy from age to age:  
when you looked on the lowliness of your handmaid,  
you gave us through her the author of our salvation,  
your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Through him the host of Angels adores your majesty  
and rejoices in your presence for ever.  
May our voices, we pray, join with theirs  
in one chorus of exultant praise, as we acclaim:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts....**