



St. Joseph's Catholic Women's League Newsletter – Summer 2025

Dear Sisters in the League:

As we are making plans for our summer break we would like to provide you with a brief recap of our events since the Spring Newsletter of April 2025. We look forward to seeing you in September.

Saturday May 10, 2025 – Fancy Hat Tea Party

It was a wonderful social event with over 40 ladies in attendance. Guests arrived wearing beautiful fancy hats. We enjoyed tea and tiered treats, lively conversation, door prizes, a Fancy Hat Competition and a Silent Auction. A fun afternoon of friendship was had by all.



Monday, May 12, 2024 – CWL Speaker Series

Our Guest Speaker, Alysa Lafleur, a Registered Nurse and Palliative Care Educator spoke on Palliative and End-of-Life Care. CWL will continue a focus on Palliative Care - resources and services available in Kingston and will share with CWL members and parishioners.

Thursday May 15, 2025 – Palliative Care Day of Prayer – 12 Hours of Prayer from 8:00 am to 8:00 p.m.

We received an excellent response with at least six of our CWL / parishioners present each hour, for 12 hours. It was a very spiritual day starting at 8:15 am with the Rosary and Celebration of Mass, and the exposition and adoration of the Eucharist until 8:00 pm with the closing Benediction. A beautiful day, as we prayed in a special way for all those ill, their caregivers and their family and friends.

Monday June 9, 2025 – Annual Presentation of Service Pins and Pot Luck Dinner

CWL Members attended the 5:15 pm Mass and following the Mass there was the presentation of CWL Service Pins to the following ladies – 10-years: Maureen Plunkett; 15-years: Mary Czerniej, Denise Irvine, Kathleen Rogers, Eva Waller and Anna Wlasuk; 20-years: Pauline Scott and Jane Watts; 30-years: Tina Phillips; 35-years: Mary-Ellen Tompkins; 40-years: Karen Keough, Johanna Klaassen, Edna Mazzolin, Mary Tudin and Estelle Walsh; 45-years: Emily Quinn. We also welcomed new members Mary-Louise Heroux, Fran Levesque and Unoma Onwuliri. Father Cosmas and Sister Nancy were each presented with a Spiritual Advisor pin for their service to the St. Joseph's Catholic Women's League. We appreciate your guidance and prayers as we move forward. The Pot Luck dinner that followed was a joyful event.









Sunday, June 15, 2025 – Multicultural Sunday & Parish Family Picnic

A focus on St. Joseph's ethnic diversity was the theme of the 11:00 am Mass and the wonderful Parish Family Picnic that followed. On this beautiful day, hundreds of our parishioners came together to celebrate and enjoy the foods of so many different cultures. Thank you to CWL members and parish volunteers who collaborated with the Knights of Columbus and Pastoral Council members to make this a very joyful event.

Thursday, June 19, 2025 – Presentation of CWL Grade 8 Graduation Bursaries

On Thursday June 19th, CWL members attended the Grade 8 Graduation ceremonies at St. Paul Catholic School and St. Thomas More Catholic School to present two CWL Graduation Bursaries to two deserving students at each school. These students were recognized for their faith and service within their schools and community. Congratulations to Godspower, Mackenzie, Dannika and Mikaela. Best wishes in Grade 9 at Regiopolis Notre Dame Catholic High School.

Ongoing:

CWL Prayer Box – we are pleased that parishioners are continuing to submit prayer requests in the CWL Prayer Box. We will continue to pray for all of your intentions.

CWL Poster Board – In accordance with St. Joseph's Parish *Jubilee 2025 Monthly Program,* the following two events are highlighted: at the end of June, Eucharistic Revival Part 2 – the Eucharistic Corpus Christi Procession and in July, the Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

As you may be aware, St Joseph's Church will be undergoing renovations on the Church Hall. "Shovel in the ground" is expected in July. We will keep you posted on the progress of the expansion and its expected date of completion.

Please mark on your 2025 calendar the following dates: September 2025

General Meeting – Monday, September 8^{th} – 7:00 p.m. (Presentation) Executive Meeting – Monday, September 22^{nd} – 7:00 p.m.

Further Information about all of the above events will be posted on the St. Joseph's website (www.stjosephskingston.ca) and in the Bulletins.



We would like to wish you and your family a very safe and enjoyable summer.

Happy Canada Day!