Christian Family Life Chairperson’ Report

CWL Diocesan Midwinter Meeting

February 3, 2018

Madam President,

All Seminarians have now been adopted. I would like to thank all the CWL parish councils who so willingly participated in adopting the seminarians. It was asked “What is required from an adopting council.” Just prayers and a note. The note is to let the seminarian know that your council is praying for him. There is no obligation to send gifts or extend parish invitations, but if you can that is great. This seems like a trivial thing, but it means an awful lot to the seminarians. They are very appreciative of those who take the time to send them a BD or Christmas greeting. They all need our Prayers, Love and Support.

The Arch Diocese is sponsoring a Fun Day at Rogers Place. There will be a hockey game between the Edmonton Oil Kings and the Red Deer Rebels, Saturday February 10th at 1:30 pm. There is a poster at my display table.

Most of you have seen the documentary Euthanasia Deception. There is a follow up video Fatal Flaws coming out shortly. We are encouraged to view these video’s. A quote from Archbishop Smith.” Life is a sacred gift from God to be respected and treasured at all times.” Unquote.

Petition of One Million 2019: This is a project to gather one million plus signatures to be presented to the federal government in 2019 in support of pro-life issues. Unfortunately, four million children have been killed by abortion since 1969, but they can be recognized by every signature that is collected. Proclaim to all Canadians that every life must be protected from conception to natural death.

The March for Life Pasta Supper night is February 10th at St. Joseph’s Basilica, O’Leary Hall, tickets are 15 dollars and available today – see Mable Solomon or

Katherine Tarras. The March will be on May 10th at noon from the Alberta Legislature building.

A reminder that the World Day of Prayer is being celebrated on March 2nd. This is an international ecumenical Christian service. It is celebrated annually in 170 countries the first Friday of March. The World Day of Prayer aims to demonstrate that Prayers and Action are inseparable.

This concludes my report.

Are there any questions?

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