



# The Catholic Women's League of Canada Edmonton Diocesan Council

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**TO:** All Parish Council Presidents  
All Diocesan Officers  
Life Members

**FROM:** Evelyn Dunne, Spiritual Development Standing Committee Chair

**SUBJECT:** Diocesan Spiritual Development Fall Communiqué

As the month of September concluded with the Day for Truth and Reconciliation, and Orange Shirt Day - Let us learn, recognize and reflect on these events as we continue through the Fall.

October was the Month of the Holy Rosary. Through the Holy Rosary, we meditate on God's Word. The Gospel becomes embedded in our hearts, and Mary holds our hand to Jesus Christ. During the month of October we also pray for *The End to Abortion* by praying the Rosary during the "40 Days for Life".

Remember Alberta/Mackenzie CWL Provincial Past President Judy Look hosts via ZOOM "ABMK Prays the Rosary" every Thursday evening at 7:15 pm. The link to the ABMK Prays the Rosary can be found on the Edmonton Diocesan CWL main webpage ([www.edmontoncwl.org](http://www.edmontoncwl.org)). For further information you can also contact Judy Look directly - [abmkpastpres@gmail.com](mailto:abmkpastpres@gmail.com)

**November** - This month the church celebrates *All Saints & All Souls*

This may be a great time for councils to plan Masses in remembrance of deceased members. An excellent resource to use would be #720 - Memorial Service for Deceased CWL Members (Available via the National CWL webpage ([700 Series: Prayers and Hymns - The Catholic Women's League of Canada \(cwl.ca\)](http://700Series:PrayersandHymns-TheCatholicWomensLeagueofCanada(cwl.ca)))).

We also observe November 11<sup>th</sup> to recall the end of World War I on that date in 1918 and to honour the veterans of both World Wars.

**December** - The Advent season begins November 27 the first Sunday of Advent. It marks the start of the Christian year in western Christianity. Its length varies from 22 to 28 days ending on December 24. There is wonderful resource for an Advent Reflection - #704 ([700 Series: Prayers and Hymns - The Catholic Women's League of Canada \(cwl.ca\)](#)).

There are many resources available on National Website - cwl.ca

**Quick Note:** If you haven't already, now would be great time to sign-up for the Archdiocesan Newsletter "Window". To subscribe go to caedm.ca then on the right side there are 3 bars click on the bars to locate "**newsletter & events**" – subscribe.

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>

As I mentioned at the Diocesan Fall Meeting we are planning a second Quilt, this time for Women Saints who made a mark on the Catholic World. We still need more ladies who are proficient in quilting. If you or your council is interested in participating please feel free to contact me.

*"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged for the Lord you God will be with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9*

Evelyn Dunne

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