

## PRAYER FOR EXECUTIVE MEETING

### **Leader:**

As we begin our new term, we recognize that we all bring different gifts to our work in the League. Let us commit ourselves to recognizing and sharing these gifts in a spirit of co-operation and empowerment so that we may build up the kingdom of God in a loving caring manner.

### **Reading:** Romans 12.3-9

For by the grace given to me I tell everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than one ought to think, but to think soberly, each according to the measure of faith that God has apportioned.

For as in one body we have many parts, and all the parts do not have the same function,

so we, though many, are one body in Christ\* and individually parts of one another.

Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us exercise them:\*

- if prophecy, in proportion to the faith;
- if ministry, in ministering;
- if one is a teacher, in teaching;
- if one exhorts, in exhortation;
- if one contributes, in generosity;
- if one is over others, with diligence;
- if one does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

**PRAYER:** Left and right sides. **Left side –;** **Right side –**

**LS:** May all who come to our meetings be treated with respect and kindness.

**RS:** May all who come to our meetings find love and acceptance.

**LS:** May all who come to our meetings find encouragement and affirmation.

**RS:** May all who come to our meetings find caring and compassion.

**LS:** May all who come to our meetings find gentleness and patience.

**RS:** May all who come to our meetings find forgiveness and reconciliation.

**LS:** May all who come to our meetings find courage and strength.

**RS:** May all who come to our meetings find peace and hope.

**All Together:**

Bless the efforts of this executive team as we work together for God and Canada.

**Executive – to individually read . . .**

**President:**

May my leadership and dedication to the League allow all members to celebrate their fair and truly become “Women of Peace and Hope, centred in Faith and Justice”.

**Recording Secretary:**

May records be efficient and record well the proceedings we undertake.

**Corresponding Secretary:**

May my correspondence be informative accurate and elevate the image of the League.

**Treasurer:**

May my efforts to monitor the finances of the League always reflect good stewardship.

**Spiritual Development:**

May my efforts help members to enhance and deepen their own spirituality while they grow in knowledge and appreciation of their gift of Faith.

**Standing Committee Chairperson - to individually read . . .**

**Organization:**

May my enthusiasm and programming skills draw new members to the League and help current members to develop their leadership skills.

**Christian Family Life:**

May my efforts support and strengthen the family unit, diverse as it may be in our society today and allow our members to reach out in ministry to all segments of our society.

**Community Life:**

May my efforts help members to reflect a Christian perspective in the many diverse activities in their local communities and abroad as we celebrate the dignity and rights of all persons.

**Communications:**

May my work in communications allow everyone to learn how significant and valuable the work of the Catholic Women's League of Canada truly is.

**Education and Health:**

May my efforts support the cause of the Catholic education and provide opportunities for all to learn and grow and become who they were meant to be—healthy, happy, caring members of a Christian community.

**Resolutions:**

May my work in resolutions draw attention to the inadequacies and disparities that exist in our society and further the efforts of members to make the changes necessary for a more just society.

**Legislation:**

May my efforts convince members of the value of following through on the projects we undertake to improve our world.

**All Together:**

May we rejoice in the League and celebrate the many opportunities we have to experience faith, fun and fulfillment as we become Women of Peace and Hope, Centred in Faith and Justice.

**Reading:** Romans 15.13

May God, the source of hope, fill you with all joy and peace by means of your faith in him, so that your hope will continue to grow by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**All together:** Amen.