



## CATHOLIC and LIVING IT!



### Parkland Holy Trinity CWL February 14, 2022

1. President, Mariette Huot, welcomed members in attendance and those who joined the meeting via Zoom.
2. Secretary, Judy Cruise, proclaimed the *Traditional Land Acknowledgement*.
3. Tracey O'Neill presented information on **Synod**, an opportunity for "synodality", a request from our Pope, that we listen with our hearts and learn from each other. A Synod Committee for Holy Trinity was launched on January 7th, at the request of Fr. Paul.

This journey will take place on different levels. At the local level, it will include small group listening sessions in person or via zoom to provide an opportunity for participants to listen, ask questions and provide feed-back. Information from these sessions held around the world will eventually be forwarded to Rome to be collated, finalized and shared with the Pope. A Synod prayer has been created and will be included in our intercessory prayers at our Sunday masses.

Tracey noted that we need to listen and be open to others' opinions. She encouraged members to assist people who don't know how, or are reluctant, to join the process which begins March 12th. Facilitators will be available in the Holy Trinity Hall for groups of six to ten participants. Each meeting, participants will be presented with a scripture passage to discern and will hear a different perspective from the speaker. Information will be provided on the Holy Trinity website.

Once a question is brought forward for listening, participants may submit their answers and comments to the facilitator or submit them online anonymously. If a participant submits answers to the facilitator, they will be recorded together with the name of our Parish and their age. Participants can attend more than one session. If they don't feel comfortable sharing their thoughts in this venue, they are encouraged to attend a session online or in another parish.

She reminded members that this month is for discernment. Participants will have opportunities to take the questions home and either attend in-person sessions or participate online. Information and ideas will be shared on the Holy Trinity and Diocesan websites. Our Pope is attempting to reach out to everyone including First Nations, children, both in-school and home schoolers, and Providence House. It was also brought to our attention that if you submit your responses online that you need to save the code that will allow you to return multiple times. If you lose this code, you will have to re-enter all your comments.

4. **Spiritual** - Marian Walshe related the story of Saint Valentine, martyred February 14, 269 A.D. She referred to the seashell gifted to each member present and asked that each of us think of our CWL sisters and how precious they are to us. She compared our seashell to the many facets of our lives and how we are perceived by others and urged members to take care of their CWL sisters.

5. **Treasurer's Report** - Trish Crawford, Treasurer, reported \$5 580.26 in the chequing account and \$7 812.56 in the savings account.
6. **Sewing bags project** -Femia showed a number of completed bags and the kits available containing everything required to sew them. She encouraged anyone interested to take a kit to complete and have ready for our next donation project.
7. **Request for prayers** - Sr. Susan requested prayers for Sr. Elizabeth Waraga who worked with our *Dress a Girl* project to provide dresses to children in an orphanage in Africa. She asked members to keep those women and girls in our thoughts and to pray for them.
8. **Restart of Funeral Lunches** - Mariette announced that funeral lunches can begin. Next week, she and her volunteers will meet to decide the menu and restock the kitchen.
9. **Instructed Vote for National Policy and Procedures** - The President introduced the last Instructed Vote for National Policy & Procedures. The increase from \$13.00 to \$25.00 will become effective in 2023.  
 Amendment 9 - Increase to Per Capita Fees - Seconded by Annette Muench  

For - 18	Against - 5	Passed
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10. **Small Group Discussions** - Mariette noted that, in a communique received from our Provincial President, she described our national theme as:  
*" 'Catholic' means community and 'Living It' means being connected"*.  
 Members present gathered in groups to discuss the following:
  - What does that mean to me?
  - How do I live it in my home?
  - How do I live it at work/outside activities?
11. **Spring Project** - Ruth Meikeljohn proposed making tissue paper flowers for shut-ins in local senior homes. It was agreed members will work together to create the flowers and tags at our March 14 meeting. Ruth will bring all necessary materials.  
  
**Lenten Project** - We will participate in a Diocesan project to support Sacred Heart Church. The Executive team will research what is needed and the cost. We will discuss ideas for fund raising at our next meeting.
12. **Save the Dates:**   **February 16th** - Marriage-Divorce-Annulment presentation  
                           **March 12th & 15th & 29th**- Upcoming Listening Sessions for Synod
13. **Links to look at:**
  - i) National Magazine – Winter 2022 National Magazine – Winter 2022  
<https://cwl.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/2022.v98.n1-The-Canadian-League-final.pdf>
  - ii) Add 6 minute video on Synod [Synod on Synodality- All You Need to Know](#)
  - iii) More Synod information <https://caedm.ca/synod>
14. The President shared her report, a copy of which is attached.
15. Together, ladies recited the **League Prayer**.
16. Next regular meeting - March 14, 2022