

## President's Report, January 24, 2022

On the morning of December 18<sup>th</sup>, I came out of the bedroom to see that the overnight fog had turned everything outside into a beautiful winter picture. God had given me sparkles on every branch to start my day with a smile on my face – yes I love the winter months.

During that day, I was weighed down by the realization that we did not have a president-elect, nor had anyone come forward yet to claim the crown to become our next President. So yes, it was a constant nagging thought all day and came to a head when, one night, I could not fall asleep. All I had in my head was potential ideas, of what would being president once more would like. Was this a right move for me? Talked it over with my husband at 4 in the morning and he pointed out to me that we are not getting younger and to do what I am passionate about and yes CWL is one of these things. When we came to our December meeting I still had doubts if this is what I should be doing, and my final hint that God was giving me, was the card that was placed on the table. Mine read as follows:

“Don’t be afraid, for I am with you.

Don’t be discouraged, for I am your God.

I will strengthen you and help you.” Isaiah 41-10

When I read this, it solidified that I was doing what I am supposed to be doing.

I do not know exactly what the next two years hold for me as your president, but I do know that I have all of your prayers, and support, which is all that I can ask of you for now, for as you know I am sure to be asking for more later 😊

Our National theme for the next two years is "Catholic and Living It". I am hoping that we can discover exactly what that means to all of us and how can we continue to be the best Catholic women that we can be. So I am sure through prayers, activities and much laughter, the next two years should prove to be interesting.

We are born from dust and return to dust. That is why I don’t dust my house, you never know who you are dusting away...