



**CATHOLIC  
and LIVING IT!**



**Parkland Holy Trinity CWL  
March 13, 2023**

1. President, Mariette Huot welcomed members to our regular meeting held in St. Martin de Porres Room.
2. The President proclaimed the *Traditional Land Acknowledgement*.
3. Treasurer, Trish Crawford, presented the 2023 Budget. In answer to a question regarding Development and Peace, she noted that 1% of the Funeral Budget is used to support this item.

**MOTION: THAT** the 2023 Parkland Holy Trinity CWL Budget be approved as presented.

**MOVED** by Trish Crawford and **seconded** by Sheila Ivany. All in favor. **Carried**

The Treasurer reported \$10 692.70 in the savings account. When questioned as to whether there is a target for these funds, the President noted that our intention is to donate to a big project. She commented that, as one example, Our Lady of Victory camp is opening this year. We have the potential to help with curtains and/or painting as one way to do something for our youth.

4. Sr. Susan spoke about CNEWA, an organization which is conducting two projects entailing a Shepherd's Field Hospital and an Infant Welfare Centre. She noted that Catholics in the Near East are being oppressed. The project, originally *Velma's Dream*, became CNEWA. Mariette noted this is a one-time donation over and above the budgeted \$75.00 and will come from our savings account. We can decide next year if we wish to do donate again.

**MOTION: THAT** Parkland Holy Trinity CWL donate \$750.00 to CNEWA in 2023.

**MOVED** by Sr. Susan Scott and **seconded** by Marian Walsh. All in favor. **Carried**

5. Marian Walshe, Spiritual Development Leader, asked members to pray for Pope Francis to mark his 10th Anniversary. She shared a poster of our Seminarians and asked those present to help create a spiritual bouquet for Seminarian, Andre Boudreau. She read, "Why did Jesus Fold the Napkin?"
6. **Fair Trade Coffee** - Mariette spoke of the company's connection to small scale farming communities, providing them with a bright future and education for their children and grandchildren. The plant, situated on Vancouver Island, has been in business for 23 years, during which time, it has expanded five times. On the "Level Ground" website, one can view stories of the families they buy from and support. Holy Trinity buys from Victoria, with free shipping on any order over \$75.00.
7. **Lenten Project** - A decision has not been made. We will now consider an Easter project and request the input of our members. There are many possibilities within our church and community to support those in need. More information will follow.

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8. **National Resolution - Food Loss and Waste** - This Resolution, targeting Government legislation, was brought to Committee at the National Convention in August, 2022. The Resolution begins at Parish level, then moves to Diocesan level and, finally, to Provincial and National levels. The President tasked Femia Streefkerk and Sr. Susan to investigate and inform us as to what is going on in our County. They presented a video titled "*The Landscape of Food Waste in Canada*". A link to the video will be provided to members.

Groups of four members chose one of the three questions to discuss for five minutes:

- i) What are your thoughts when you learned about these statistics in the video?
- ii) How can we address these issues around food loss and waste in our homes? What can we do differently?
- iii) Looking at food loss and waste, how is this a sign of our lack of reverence for the gifts God has given us?

Prior to our next meeting, Femia and Sr. Susan will visit local stores and the Parkland Food Bank.

Part 2 - will be presented in April and Part 3 (final) - in May.

9. **Heart to Heart Webinars** - Free webinars will be offered from National Office in March and April to promote the activity of the Implementation Committee working groups:

March 28 - 1 to 2 p.m. - "Act Justly, Love Tenderly Walk Humbly"

April 15 - 1 to 2 p.m. - "Who Me? A Leader?"

Mariette will send links with the Minutes, as those interested will need to pre-register.

10. **Diocesan Quilt Project** - The quilt is underway with 12 women saints represented in the squares. Our square depicts Marguerite d'Youville who worked at the Gray Nuns' Hospital and was the first Canadian Saint. Mariette showed pictures of the quilting group and the quilt swatch of the hospital which she presented. She thanked our quilting ladies.

11. **Updates/Announcements** -

- i) "**Our Cup Runneth Over**" - **March 18, 2023 Retreat** - Tickets are on sale for \$25.00. Registration starts on Saturday at 9:30 a.m., with the retreat from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
- ii) **Annual Diocesan Convention - April 28-30th** in Red Deer. We require a volunteer delegate for Mariette as her registration is paid.
- iii) Annette Muench has volunteered to take over responsibility for the Sunshine Committee.
- iv) **Sacred Heart Church of the First Peoples** have an active CWL Council once again. Their Council of 20 has a full slate of Officers and a President-elect. They are small, but vibrant. We contributed \$50.00 to the Council and have received a thank you for all our support.
- v) We are still saving plastic containers. They can be left in the Hall.
- vi) Paulette Goerz will oversee Greeters and Ushers for CWL masses every second weekend as the ladies will do greetings, usher and carry up the hosts.

12. **Closing Prayer** - League Prayer

**Next Regular Meeting** - April 10, 2023