

President's Report

May 8th, 2023

It feels like I just gave you a President's report and here we are again. Why is it our lives seem to be so busy all the time. I guess it's better than sitting at home alone and being bored....

This past Saturday, Fran Dechief, Lydia Pettersen and her husband Jim and myself went to Our Lady of Victory camp for the work bee. It was a good day and yes, I am stiff in more places than I thought I would be. I was wonderful to see about 30 or so individuals helping out all over the place. From replacing or refurbishing heating vents by Jim, washing down a storage room in the hall by Lydia or washing the rectory by Fran and myself and one other lady, things that needed to get down were being taken off the list. It is amazing when a bunch of working hands come together, how quickly things get done. Like the saying goes "many people make light work", that was what Saturday was like.

What did impress me the most, was a group of about 10 or so, who I believe were in their 20's. To see younger people willing to give out a helping hand was encouraging, as these people are the future of our church.

I would still encourage anyone to attend the next work bee on June 10th as there is still a long list of things to do or go to their

website and see where your talents can perhaps help out. I will be pressuring the Knights to go as most of the men there were from the Lacombe or Ponoka councils.

Thanks to everyone who came and celebrated our Lady of Good Counsel feast day and to my executive team in reaffirming their commitment for another year. And yes just a reminder that most of these positions needs to be filled next year..

Our wind-up is next month and I am looking forward to celebrating our accomplishments and then taking some “rest time” over the next couple of months, rejuvenate for the fall month meetings.

So at our convention I naturally told them the joke about the email from God – yes got a good laugh, but also was given a bunch of one liners from Cathy Bouchard who is our National Chairperson of Spiritual Development . So here are a few of the ones that made me chuckle:

When everything is coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.

Eagles may soar, but weasels don't get sucked into jet engines.

If at first you don't succeed, destroy all evidence that you tried.

A conclusion is the place where you got tired of thinking.