

## **January CWL Newsletter 2025**

The CWL National theme informs & encourages us to say, **“Here I am Lord, send me.”**

### **Welcome**

We would like to extend a warm welcome to any ladies who have become CWL members for the first time. We look forward to meeting you and hope you will participate in our upcoming activities! After the first event or meeting, you will quickly not be a stranger anymore!

It is never too late to join. Simply write your name, address, phone number & email address along with a cheque for \$40 written out to St. Paul’s CWL. The envelope can be placed in the collection basket, brought to a meeting or given to a CWL member.

### **Membership Draw**

Marilyn Ardito, Chair of Membership, will present her report and draw a name for free membership from all the membership fees paid before Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> 2024.

### **General Meeting**

Our general meetings are usually held on the third Thursday of each month at 7:00 in our meeting room (music room). Our 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of 2025 will be on Thurs. Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

### **NEW CWL Executive for 2025-2026**

Congratulations to our new CWL council for 2025-2026.

President- Donna Jebb

Secretary- Carla Beckett

Treasurer- Linda Beckstead

Faith Committee Chair- Loretta Gismondi & Patricia Oliveira

Service Committee Chair- Kelly McGinty

Justice Committee Chair- Sabrina Neto

Corresponding Secretary- Fatima Healy

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Membership - Marilyn Ardito

### **CWL Rosary Sunday**

Faith Committee Chair, Loretta Gismondi, reminds us that the CWL is responsible for reciting the Rosary on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month before the 10:30 mass. All CWL members are invited to assist by joining in.

### **Mary Mathews Public Speaking Competition**

The Mary Mathews Public Speaking Competition is sponsored by the CWL. It will take place in the parish hall on Thursday, Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. ALL are invited to come and support these young people from St. Paul’s, Holy Family and St. Cecilia elementary schools who will deliver their prepared and impromptu speeches in front of an audience. Fran McDonell is the organizer for the public speaking event. Light refreshments will be served.

## Development Day 2025

Date: Sat. Feb.22, 2025

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Nativity of Our Lord Parish Hall

480 Rathburn Road, Etobicoke

**THEME: STRENGTHENED BY KNOWLEDGE, GUIDED THROUGH FAITH, SUPPORTED BY SERVICE**

### Development Day Program

8:30 a.m. Registration

9:00 a.m. Opening Mass – Celebrated by Father Liborio Amaral, Toronto Diocesan Spiritual Advisor

9:40 a.m. Registration, coffee, tea, juice, assorted baked goods & fresh fruits

10:00 a.m. Welcome & Introductions

Opening Prayer: League Prayer

Greetings from President Kate O'Quinn

10:20 a.m. Workshop presented by the clinical staff at Toronto Catholic Family Services Toronto. Recognizing mental health signs & symptoms & finding support during challenging times.

12:15 p.m. Lunch Break (bring your own lunch)

1:15 p.m. Gathering Prayer

1:30 p.m. Keynote Speaker- Father Eugene O'Reilly

Theme: Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

2:45 p.m. Closing Remarks

2:50 p.m. Final Blessing

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May our Lady of Good Counsel continue to bless us as we carry out our many CWL activities.

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**Brr- it is cold outside!**

