

Pembroke Diocesan Council of the Catholic Women's League
Fall Meeting, November 21, 2020, Oral Report
Margaret Maloney – Life Member Liaison

We remember with affection and appreciation Life Member Suzanne Mullins who passed away peacefully on Thursday, October 22 at the age of 73. She was a member of the Catholic Women's League for over 40 years in both Arnprior and Beside. Suzanne served with distinction on the Diocesan Executive and as Diocesan President. Suzanne organized and led a team of members who hosted the Ontario Provincial Convention in Arnprior in 2008.

Beloved wife and best friend of Blaine for 51 years. Proud and loving mother of Sonia (Greg) and Tania (Mike). Cherished Nanny of Riley. Suzanne was predeceased by her parents Joseph Carr and Jeannette Desjardins and brother Bobby Carr (Mary). Faith and family were of utmost importance to her throughout her life. Suzanne devoted her professional life as a teacher with the Renfrew County Catholic School Board for over 33 years and will be missed by the students and staff. Her obituary continued to note the many organizations with which she had shared her time and tremendous talent; Sparks, 707 Seniors Club and the Braeside Church building committee only a few. Suzanne will be missed by her many friends and all those she met on her journey. Her funeral liturgy was celebrated Wednesday, October 28th at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church Beside with representation from diocesan and local councils. Six members of the diocesan executive joined family and friends to celebrate the Eucharist and a life well lived. Closing with this excerpt from John O'Donohue;

Let us not look for you only in memory,
Where we would grow lonely without you.
You would want us to find you in presence,
beside us when beauty brightens,
when kindness glows
and music echoes eternal tones.

When orchids brighten the earth,
Darkest winter has turned to spring,
May this dark grief flower with hope
In every heart that loves you.

May you continue to inspire us:
To enter each day with a generous heart.
To serve the call of courage and love
Until we see your beautiful face again
In that land where there is no more separation,
Where all tears will be wiped from our mind,
And we will never lose you again.

Rest in Peace Suzanne.