

**The Pembroke Diocesan Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada
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Elaine Turner, President-Elect /Organization Chair**

Membership

National should be notified about a CWL Member's change of address. It is the only way of being assured that one will continue to receive The Canadian League Magazine. When a senior member is moving to a Long-Term Care facility, she should make sure that her Parish CWL Organization Chair or Convenor has the new address to update it in the system. A word of caution: Some Nursing Home Administrators prefer that the resident's mail not come to the Nursing Home but instead to the address of the Power of Attorney or other close family member. If a CWL Member is already in a LTC facility and not receiving the League Magazine, have someone check the CWL online membership site to see if the "League Magazine" option is checked off to confirm registration. If one needs assistance contact Katherine Choi at membership@cw.ca. Effective March 7, 2021, a moratorium on awarding Life Memberships was adopted but those nominated for 2021 will be awarded.

A process has been put in place when a potential member indicates she would like to join the league. Letters will be sent to the new members and to the diocesan organization chair. For more info on this process, one can find an attachment on Ontario Provincial President-Elect Linda Squarzolo's Directive #10. Hopefully, our diocese will learn more about this when we, as a group, study the "Welcome Program". Requests from councils to add features to the membership database are being developed. One enhancement available now is the ability to track those who are associate members. Membership chairpersons are encouraged to indicate **now** which members are associate members.

Annual Reports

Many thanks to the Parish Presidents who submitted their 2020 Annual Report for the 100th Annual Diocesan Report Book. Diocesan Executive and Officers, Parish Presidents and Life Members have received copies of the book. I have a few copies left to sell for \$8.50. Hopefully, we will put a link on the Diocese website for all to read the document in the near future. Since "Care of Our Common Home" and "Loneliness" are still the themes for 2021, I would suggest that everyone read these reports carefully to help your parish decide on activities that would be doable. I realize that COVID-19 has put restrictions on many of our former great works but it is surprising the new activities that have surfaced in these reports. A reminder: Some of the activities occurred before the restrictions were enforced.

May you all be blest

Thank you.