

DATE/TIME: Tuesday, June 14, 2016

LOCATION: Blessed Sacrament Church Hall, Amherstview, Ontario

In Attendance: Bernadette Burgess, Sue McDonald, Shirley Jaynes, Margaret Wilson, Danna Dobson, Liz Guiney, Shirley McDonald, Anne Nicholls, Susan Aubin, Mary Garrah, Marg Beneteau, Theresa Shanks, Carol Daigle, Bernadette Veitch, Mary Lou Hills, Kelly Neville

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1.	Opening Prayer: League Prayer	Bernadette Burgess
2.	Spiritual Adviser: Donna Guiney announced Father's resignation due to his health. Suggestions were, despite Father wanting no recognition, that CWL members take him to lunch, spiritual bouquet.	Bernadette Burgess/ Donna Guiney
3.	Minutes of April 12, 2016: Kelly Neville moved that the minutes be approved as read. Margaret Wilson seconded the motion	Mary Lou Hills
4.	Treasurer's Report: Balance as of May 31, 2016 was 1045.45	Kelly Neville
5.	President's Report: Bernadette thanked members for sending her to the convention, spoke on Father Hughes' talk on Palliative Care	Bernadette Veitch
6.	Past President's Report: Shirley summarized the May celebration regarding our 20 th anniversary as a council. Founding members were recognized at Mass, former Spiritual Advisors gave testimonials. Sisters in the League were presented with their 20 year pins. As well, new members received their pins. During the meal a basket was passed around to collect for the Fort McMurray Relief Fund. We were able to forward, along with individual cheques, \$270 to the Canadian Red Cross. A beautiful commemorative CD was available for purchase and we collected \$80.00 from their sale.	Shirley McDonald
7.	Membership Report. Currently we have 82 members.	Carol Daigle
8.	Old Business:	
8.1.	Bake Sale: \$676.65 cents, which included a donation of \$20.00, was made at the bake sale. There were no expenses.	Shirley McDonald
8.2	Foster Family: Donna reported that the family we had been supporting this past year are now in a "good space" and no longer in need of our assistance. However, Donna did say that another family is seeking our assistance.	Donna Guiney
8.3	Martyrs Shrine: The date is September 17 th , which coincides with the beginning of a novena at the shrine. McCoy Bus Service will provide the transportation supplying us with a deluxe coach that holds 56 passengers. We would be leaving at 7:00 a.m. and arriving at the Shrine around 11:00 a.m. We are advised to bring a box/bag lunch but there is food available there. There will be an opportunity for confession (2 priests). Mass will be said and we will be able to process through the Jubilee Doors. Following the Mass, a tour will be conducted by one of the priests. Cost is 50.00. Dinner will be at the Mandarin in Oshawa at a cost of approximately 31.00. We would be arriving home around 8:00 in the evening. It was moved by Sue McDonald that, as part of our 20 th anniversary celebrations, we make a pilgrimage to the Shrine. Shirley Jaynes seconded the motion.	Bernadette Veitch
8.4	Strawberry Social: The Social will be held on June 26 th after 9:00 Mass. Members are asked to bring a dessert containing strawberries. Cost to parishioners is \$2.00. Monies will be forwarded to the National CWL Foundation.	Shirley McDonald
8.5	Helen Henderson Birthday Party: This event will be held on Thursday, August 25 th . Cupcakes and cakes should be brought by 1:00 p.m. as the	Carol Daigle

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	event will begin at 2:00 p.m. Carol is asking that Volunteers meet at 1:00 on Monday, August 22 nd .	
9.	Standing Committees Reports	
9.1	<p>Organization: At the Executive meeting on May 27th it was moved that we suspend meetings in January and February. The weather is too unpredictable to hold meetings at that time of year. This would move our annual meeting to November, along with elections. We would still host a December potluck.</p> <p>All Executive positions are up for election this November. Bernadette asked that members prayerfully consider a position on the Executive.</p>	Bernadette Veitch
9.2	<p>Spiritual Development: Bernadette provided several dates and opportunities for members to participate in the Year of Mercy.</p> <p>Summer homework: study a favourite Saint and share during the next term of meetings: approx. 1 paragraph.</p>	Bernadette Burgess
9.3	<p>Christian Family Life:</p> <p>No report.</p>	Jane Burke
9.4	<p>Community Life:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Helen Henderson Birthday party 2. Ham Dinner: joint venture with the Knights of Columbus. Profit, after expenses was \$817.00 which was donated to the Parish. There were 113 Guests. 	Carol Daigle
9.5	<p>Education:</p> <p>8th Grade Graduation is June 26th. Donna asked for three volunteers to assist with clean up. There was one student this year eligible for the CWL award. .</p>	Donna Guiney
9.6	<p>Health:</p> <p>Reported on three aspects of the Diocesan Convention that most impressed her: Father Hughes presentation on Palliative Care, Nancy Stevens and Kenya Helps after which over 3,000 dollars was collected towards her work in Kenya. Nancy stated that she would now be able to finish the construction of a Women's Empowerment Center. Last, but not least, she remarked on Colleen Randall's presentation on the Sandwich Generation and Caregiving. The presentations are now available on the Diocesan website.</p>	Mary Lou Hills
9.7	<p>Communications:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A letter was received from Catholic Christian Outreach thanking us for our donation to Rachael Taylor. 2. A letter was received from the Liberal Member of Parliament, Mike Bossio, thanking Margaret for her concerns regarding the recent decision by the Supreme Court on medical assistance in dying. 3. Reminded us that postcards for the Pornography Hurts campaign were still available at the back of the church. 4. Drew our attention to recent Canadian League magazine, in particular page 7, where the Chairperson offered insights into the art of communication – the gift of communication. 	Margaret Wilson

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9.8	<p>Resolutions & Legislation: Danna added comments re Father Hughes talk and clarified some of the issues surrounding recent legislation on medically assisted in dying.</p>	Danna Dobson
10.	New Business:	
10.1	<p>Correspondence: Note from Doris Thomas, keynote speaker at World Day of Prayer, with a donation of \$40.00. Margaret Beneteau asked for prayers for Sister Mary Jo for knitting the layettes that we present to Birthright. Margaret sent her a thank you note. Received a thank you re our donation to Pennies for Pesos</p>	Margaret Wilson
10.2	<p>Father Stan's Anniversary: We will present Father with a Spiritual Bouquet, Mass Enrolment with the Carmelites – Little Flower; 25.00 gift certificate to Swiss Chalet etc, and the Sanctuary light will burn for the month of July for Father's intentions.</p>	Bernadette Veitch
10.3	<p>Parish Bingo: Volunteers required from July-December, 10:00-midnight. 1-hour training is provided</p>	Donna Guiney
10.4	<p>Snowflake Bazaar: A to Do list was provided to the members</p>	Shirley McDonald
10.5	<p>Diocesan/Provincial/National Events: Provincial Convention is July 8-13; National Convention in Halifax Aug 14th</p>	Bernadette Veitch
12.	<p>Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.</p> <p>Closing prayer was the prayer for our diocesan partner, St. Denis in Athens.</p> <p>Next meeting is September 13, after 7:00 Mass</p>	<p>Bernadette Veitch</p> <p>Bernadette Burgess</p>