

The Catholic Women's League of Canada



Antigonish Diocesan Council

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*Ignite Your Passion, Empower His Mission*

TO: Parish Council Vice-Presidents  
FROM: Diocesan Vice-President Laurena Greencorn  
DATE: April 25, 2026  
SUBJECT: It Begins with One! One Seed, One Yes, One Sister at a Time!  
MEMO: # 6 (2024-2026)  
CC: Parish Council Presidents, Diocesan Officers, Life Members, Provincial Secretary (for distribution to provincial counterpart)

Sisters in the League:

As the world awakens in a burst of green, with 'one' seed holding a promise of a beautiful garden, I am reminded of the membership campaign: "It begins with '1'!" Just like one seed can turn into a beautiful garden, a single 'yes' word from one woman can turn our council and League into a powerful team.

In May, as we celebrate Mother's Day, we reflect on the incredible 'power of 1'. We honour mothers, grandmothers, and godmothers - as they planted the first seed of faith in our hearts. Like our patroness, Our Lady, these women show us that one person's love can change the world. In the spirit of spring renewal, Mother's Day is the perfect time to reach out to the women in our lives.

Our '1' Campaign reminds us that growth is personal:

- \* RECRUIT: Is there one young mother in your parish who might benefit from the support and sisterhood of the CWL? Invite her to join us for spring coffee.
- \* RETAIN: Send a card to one of our life members to thank her for the years of 'mothering' she has provided for our council.
- \* REGAIN: Reach out to one sister we haven't seen in a while and let her know there is always a place for her at our table.

Also, remember our Membership Challenge. Our Diocesan Council has initiated a membership challenge again this year for all councils in the Antigonish Diocese. Every council that increases its membership—through new members and reinstated members who have not paid dues in the past four years—will be celebrated with a certificate of recognition at Fall Conference. The council achieving the greatest percentage increase in membership will receive special recognition at Fall Conference and be featured on the diocesan website or in the Fall Newsletter. The names of all new and reinstated members will be entered into a draw for a special gift; the draw will take place at Fall Conference 2026.

Let's work together! Someone out there is waiting to be asked to be involved!

Yours in Christ,

Laurena Greencorn, Antigonish Diocesan Council Vice-President