The Catholic Women's League of Canada

Antigonish Diocesan Council

Ignite Your Passion, Empower His Mission

TO: Parish Council Social Justice Chair
FROM: Diocesan Social Justice Chair, Rita Wojtyniak
DATE: October 24, 2026
SUBJECT: Social Justice
MEMO: # 1 (2026-2028)
CC: Parish Council Presidents, Diocesan Officers, Life Members, Provincial Secretary (for distribution to provincial counterpart)

Sisters in the League:

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus ignite our passion to act and empower us to live His mission. Jesus' limitless gift of love calls us beyond ourselves and into the world. May we be women who notice, care and act.

We can show action on social issues by:

1. Identifying issues in community, country
2. Educating ourselves, guest speakers
3. Researching and writing Resolutions
4. Advocate by completing Action plans on new resolutions (Letter writing, petition)

The five resolutions passed at National CWL Convention, with Action plans, and printed in the Fall issue of CWL League Magazine are:

2026:01. Amend Federal Plastics Regulations to require Tethered Bottle Caps on Single-use Beverage Containers.
2026:02. Apply Existing Terrorism Laws when Prosecuting Arson Attacks on Places of Worship
2026:03. Exclude Advance requests for MAiD (Medical Assistance in Dying)
2026:04 Implementation of Disability Housing Recommendations of Canadian Human Rights Commission.
2026:05 The Federal Government to Implement a National Guaranteed Basic Income.

We can use National Theme Activity Calendar (cwl.ca) to focus our goals. In October we Give Thanks, Give Back, show Care of the Poor with food drives, etc. In November we See the Need and Be the Difference with a focus on Homelessness, Poverty, Family Violence, Human Trafficking. In December through the Advent season share the love. Support Human Rights Day (Dec 11), National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence against women (Dec 6).

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