

March 2023

Dear Sisters in the League,

The CWL Peterborough Diocesan Council is looking forward to hosting an in-person diocesan convention on April 29 - 30, 2023. Local councils will be supporting aspects of the event.

On Saturday, Bishop Daniel Miehm will celebrate Mass with Father Tom Lynch at 9 am at the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains. We will then move to our convention site at St. Peter's High School. Our program will be in keeping with our national theme of *Catholic and Living It!*, provincial theme of *Go Make a Difference!* and diocesan theme of One Step, One Day, One Prayer at a Time. Our theme for convention will be based on Micah 6:8 "Act justly. Love mercy. Walk humbly with your God."

Our previous plans to celebrate our 100th anniversary were put on hold. This convention will be our opportunity to celebrate. Thus, councils are invited to bring historical displays and have them available for members to view. We will also celebrate by having a banquet Saturday night with entertainment and a guest speaker.


As usual at convention, we will have officer reports which are always a highlight. We also have plans for a guest speaker on Sunday. Also, there will be a draw to support and advance healing and reconciliation initiatives through the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund. Please consider having your council and members donate items for the draw which Anna Marie Bolin of Otonabee/Keene Council is coordinating. Don't forget to bring cash to convention to support this endeavor. In addition, for the provincial *Go Make a Difference!* project, CWL Peterborough Diocese will support indigenous parishes in Ontario. This project continues throughout the year but I hope that we can begin this convention.

One can complete the Google Forms [2023 Annual Convention - Google Forms](#) and [2023 Annual Convention Meals - Google Forms](#) to register and order meals for convention. Invite your spiritual advisor to attend as well. Show your support for various members of the clergy by having members of your parish council complete the spiritual bouquet form. Information will be on our diocesan website [CWL Peterborough \(peterboroughcwl.com\)](http://CWL Peterborough (peterboroughcwl.com)) as well as updates by email.

We hope that you will join us for some fun, faith and fulfillment at convention 2023.

Yours in Christ,

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