

St. Gabriel church CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

If you are a Catholic woman who is seeking to join an organization where you will meet other Catholic women who laugh, pray, do good works and care for and support each other, then the Catholic Women's League is for you.

Our St. Gabriel's membership meets monthly from September to June in the parish center. Our meetings are sometimes informative with interesting speakers and presentations and at other times, spiritual with special liturgies. At every reunion, you will be in the company of friendly women who are striving to live the Catholic way of life. Attendance at meetings is optional. However, whether one chooses to attend meetings or not, your membership is important for the CWL to continue in its good works both at a local and national level.

Membership is open to any woman over the age of 16 years. As a member, you will be supporting not only the efforts of your local parish but also those of other Leagues across Canada that work diligently to promote the teachings of the Catholic Church. We are part of the largest national organization of Catholic women in Canada dedicated to the service of others. Our motto is simply "for God and Canada". The National Executive is an active group that projects a Catholic voice when it approaches the Federal Government on issues that concern Canadians.

Locally, our membership contributes annually to several charities in our area. Annually, it has become traditional for the CWL to donate a small bursary to a deserving female student at Notre Dame High School. A gift is also given to a selected female student from both St. Gabriel's and St. Mark's elementary schools. Members can choose to participate in various charities and activities. We learn from one another. We assist and support whenever we are able.

The annual membership for 2010 is \$20.00. This donation will allow our CWL to sustain its traditional mandate to do and support charitable works. Monthly Masses are offered for the members of St. Gabriel's CWL. Members also receive *The Canadian League* magazine that is published quarterly.

If you are interested in joining a sisterhood that is dedicated to fostering good, loving Catholic values, then please consider the Catholic Women's League. We look forward to meeting you.

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