

When do we Meet?

Regular meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month in the parish centre following the 7:00pm Mass. Rosary begins at 6:30pm.

Special meetings and events are held for different occasions throughout the year. Watch the bulletin or our website for these events.

Come, Join us!

**Together we can make
a difference!**

We invite all Catholic women, 16 years of age and older, to journey with us in a sisterhood of faith, fulfillment and companionship.

If you think the CWL is all bake sales and knitting come check us out - be part of the Christmas & Easter Bazaars, the social activities and the feeling of being an integral part of our Parish life!

Mission Statement

The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls its members to grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service.



Care for our

Common Home

How to become a Member?

Simply complete the CWL membership envelope, include your \$30 fee and place it in the collection basket or call Angela @ 519-658-9143 or Chris @ 519-651-2772

For further information:

Email: cwlhespeler@gmail.com

<https://www.stmaryhespeler.ca/cwl>

OTHER SITES:

CWL of Canada: <https://cwl.ca> Hamilton
Diocesan Council: <http://www.hamilton.cwl.on.ca>



*Every Catholic Woman is
already a member of the
Catholic Women's League!*

**St. Mary of the
Visitation Parish,
Catholic Women's
League**

Founded May 27, 1957



Why Join the CWL?

- We are an organization of like-minded women growing in faith, promoting social justice through service to our community, the church, Canada and the world.
- We pray for each other, support each other with friendship, understanding and sharing joy and loss with each other.
- We foster a sense of belonging to a community of women locally, provincially and nationally.
- We are united by the principles of Catholic teachings.
- We inspire each other to lead spirit filled lives.
- We share our gifts and talents with others in our community.
- **"Strength in numbers"** Together we can make a difference - your membership "gives us a voice" to advocate for change.

What Do We Do?

Advocate for Change:

In Canada, there are 80,000 sisters in the League. We engage politicians at all levels of government to listen to our concerns on human rights and social justice issues. (ex. human trafficking, homelessness, poverty, environmental issues, abortion, euthanasia, and many more).

We communicate through letters, emails and phone calls to let decision makers know where we stand on issues. ***When our numbers go down our voice gets weaker!!***

Grow in Faith:

We strive to grow spiritually to be a sisterhood of friendship and prayer for each other, and "For God and Canada".

Local retreats (ie:Ladies Day) and annual conventions at the Diocesan, Provincial and National levels keep us stimulated and refreshed as we interact with other "Sisters in Christ".

Build Community:

Catholic Women League members are involved in many aspects of our parish and community life.

We are Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, both at church and to the sick and shut-ins, choir members, and we visit those who are ill, lonely, and homebound.

We raise funds to provide financial assistance to our Seminarians, Youth Groups, Camp Brebeuf and Youth attending the Steubenville conference.

We support other worthwhile causes such as St. Vincent de Paul; Hatti Missions; Red Stocking Campaign; The Bridges Shelter Blanket Brigade; Canadian Missions.

We organize our yearly "Michael House Baby Shower" to collect funds and items for new moms!

We participate in funeral masses, serve at funeral luncheons and stand together as an Honour Guard at funerals of deceased CWL members.