



**Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Council of
The Catholic Women's League of Canada**

One Heart, One Voice, One Mission

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To: Chairperson of Community Life Committee / Parish President / Provincial President / Provincial Executive / Life Members
National Community Life Committee

From: Barbara McGrath, Provincial Chairperson of Community Life

Dear Members of the League,

Happy first day of fall 2016. Hopefully, you have all enjoyed summer and are ready to continue the work of the League for another year.

First of all, we have to express our appreciation and thanks to our outgoing Chairperson of Community Life, Doreen Gowans and to welcome our new Chairperson, Betty Colaneri, who resides in Niagara on the Lake. We look forward to working with Betty as she takes on this new role and we wish Doreen all the best in her new role as Chairperson of Christian Family Life.

Development and Peace: Strong Women Building Stronger Communities

Our support of the 1% program continues to improve the lives of women and children in developing countries throughout the world. This year the League has donated \$63000 to Development and Peace.

Seniors: We Value Their Presence

We must continue to fight for basic human rights for seniors in our province. Apparently, our government will be naming a Seniors Advocate for our province. Our provincial council have been very vocal on this issue and we sure hope that what we have been hearing is indeed true.

Our President, Ruby, has written the letter to Government voicing our concern about the provincial budget and the hardships it is causing seniors and many other members of our province. She has received a reply to her letter. I am sure this issue will be on your agenda in the fall meeting. Please visit the www.cwl.nl.ca to view her letter and reply.

Please contact me with any suggestion that you have or any Community Life issues that your council thinks we should bring to everyone's attention. I look forward to hearing from you throughout the year.

God Bless,
Barbara McGrath