

# INTRODUCING



**Marianna Caldwell**  
B.C. & Yukon Provincial  
President

Marianna was born in Saskatchewan in the same farm house as her mother. A few weeks later, Marianna and her mother took the train to Vancouver, British Columbia, to meet up with her father, who had left earlier to look for work.

She grew up in the east end and attended Britannia High School together with three sisters and brothers. Her secretarial skills led her to work in the insurance industry in several different capacities.

Married to John for 38 years, they have raised four sons. Until recently their sons lived nearby, but now one son resides in Germany and another has been transferred to St. Albert, Alberta, along with Marianna's only grandchild. She will be travelling when the opportunity arises!

Marianna is a member of Sts. Joachim and Ann Parish, formerly St. Ann's, in Aldergrove, a small farming community between Langley and Abbotsford in the beautiful Fraser Valley. Her story is typical of someone arriving in a new town, not knowing anyone and being invited to join the League to meet and make some new friends. This happened over 30 years ago. Marianna has been involved in the parish as a reader and part-time choir leader and assisted the parish secretary when she had to take a leave of absence for six weeks. Her very short experience as assistant to a catechism teacher left her with undying admiration for the work they do. In 1990, the parish established a crisis pregnancy centre; Marianna was involved as a trained volunteer counsellor for over 10 years working with pregnant and post-abortion clientele.

Involved in Project GROW, Marianna also became the liaison to Domestic Abuse Services-Our Lady of Good Counsel Society and later served as president from 2003-2005.

As the newly-elected provincial president, Marianna has put her world cruise on hold, but knows that it will be something to look forward to. She states, "I thank God for the League; for all they have taught me; for their spirituality and for the beautiful and amazing women I have encountered." †



**Julie LeLievre**  
Military Ordinariate Provincial  
President

Julie LeLievre was born and raised in Sydney River, Nova Scotia, the seventh of 10 children. She joined the League in 1979. Her husband is a member of the Canadian military, which meant moving every few years, but she joined

the local parish council wherever they lived. She has been a member at various military bases including, Shilo, Manitoba (twice); Gagetown, New Brunswick; Petawawa, Ontario; Toronto, Ontario; Halifax, Nova Scotia; and civilian councils in Saint John, New Brunswick and Kingston, Ontario.

In the early years, and while raising a young family, Julie was mostly a semi-silent member, attending meetings and special functions occasionally. She became more involved in later years. At various parish councils she filled positions of secretary, treasurer, chairperson of Christian family life, community life, resolutions and legislation, spiritual development, organization and president (twice, Kingston and Shilo). She has taught first communion classes and edited the *Maryline*, the Military Ordinariate newsletter.

Julie's career has been her family, being a stay-at-home mom. This allowed her the time to volunteer in local parent teacher associations and school boards, as a parent reader and in the school lunch program. She supervised many school trips and was treasurer for sports teams, a local food bank and Birthright.

Her husband, Terry, retired from the regular force in September 2007, (now in the reserves) and they moved to Cape Breton. They have been married 31 years and have three sons, Daniel, Richard and Michael, one daughter, Christina, and two grandbabies due this year!

Julie was elected to the provincial executive in 2000 as secretary and appointed archivist in 2001, a position that she still maintains. She was also elected to the positions of treasurer, first vice-president (spiritual development), president-elect (organization chairperson) and, in May, became the 22<sup>nd</sup> provincial president.

Julie is honoured to be part of this wonderful Catholic faith community and her greatest joy in the League is being able to share her faith with like-minded women. †