



**The Catholic Women's League of Canada**

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HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA, April 1, 2026—Four hundred Catholic women of faith will gather at the Halifax Convention Centre, August 9–12, 2026, for the 106<sup>th</sup> Annual National Convention of The Catholic Women's League of Canada. This year's theme is *Ignite Your Passion, Empower His Mission*.

Keynote speaker Cory Andrew Labreque, PhD, associate professor of bioethics and theological ethics at the University of Laval (Quebec City), will present *Stay Awake with Me: Dignity, Vulnerability, and Presence in a Broken World* on Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup>. The resolutions dialogue, also on Monday, will provide delegates with an opportunity to discuss proposed resolutions, reflecting the League's ongoing commitment to social justice. On Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, Giancarlo Brotto, founder and chief executive officer of Pave Edu, Inc., will present *Ignited to Lead: Women of Faith Stepping Bold into the Age of AI*.

Delegates, members and guests look forward to gathering in national convention once again this year. The convention program includes daily Mass, prayer services and opportunities for reflection centred on the theme, *Ignite Your Passion, Empower His Mission*, along with ample time for connection among delegates.

Those unable to attend in person may register to access live broadcasts of plenary sessions and guest speakers. Updates throughout the convention will be available on the League's national website ([cwl.ca](http://cwl.ca)), Facebook page and Instagram (@CWLNational).

The Catholic Women's League of Canada is one of the largest organizations of women in Canada, with more than 55,000 members represented in every province and in the military. With a membership representing a broad cross-section of Canadian society, the League has received the commendation and keen appreciation of federal, provincial/territorial and municipal authorities for the voluntary services ably performed by its nationwide membership.

National President Betty Colaneri is available for interviews before and during the convention upon request and booking.

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