

106TH ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION PROGRAM

(All events take place at the Halifax Convention Centre unless otherwise stated.)

Saturday, August 8

6:00–9:00 p.m. Harbour Cruise
(Event ticket required. Meet at Cable Wharf.
Buses depart at 5:30 p.m., bus ticket optional)

Sunday, August 9

11:00–12:30 p.m. Walking Tour (Event ticket required.
Meet at Cable Wharf. Buses depart at
10:30 a.m., bus ticket optional)

1:30–3:30 p.m. “Ignite Your Passion with the Joy of
Sisterhood” Meet and Greet

7:00–8:30 p.m. Official Opening with Greetings
from Dignitaries followed by a
Eucharistic Celebration at 7:00 p.m.,
St. Mary’s Cathedral Basilica
(Bus ticket required – buses board at 6:00 p.m.)

9:00–10:00 p.m. Reception at Halifax Convention
Centre

Monday, August 10

8:30–9:30 a.m. Mass

9:45–10:00 a.m. Plenary Session I

- Welcome
- Introductions
- Greetings from Invited Guests

10:00–10:30 a.m. Refreshment Break

10:30–noon Plenary Session II

- *Stay Awake with Me: Dignity, Vulnerability, and Presence in a Broken World*, Keynote Speaker Dr. Cory Labrecque

Noon–1:30 p.m. Lunch (on your own)

1:30–1:45 p.m. Reconvening Prayer

1:45–3:00 p.m. Plenary Session III

- Resolutions Dialogue

3:00–3:30 p.m. Refreshment Break

3:30–5:00 p.m. Plenary Session IV

- Resolutions Dialogue
- National Voluntary Fund Presentations

5:00–5:15 p.m. Commissioning of Life Members

6:30–10:00 p.m. Acadian Kitchen Party (ticket required)

Tuesday, August 11

9:00–10:10 a.m. Mass

10:00–10:30 a.m. Refreshment Break

10:30–11:45 a.m. Plenary Session V

- *Pilgrims of Hope Pilgrimage*, Most Rev. Alan Campeau
- *Ignited to Lead: Women of Faith Stepping Bold into the Age of AI*, Giancarlo Brotto

Tuesday, August 11 (continued)

11:45–noon Memorial Service for Deceased Members

Noon–1:30 p.m. Life Members’ Luncheon (ticket required)

Noon–1:30 p.m. Spiritual Advisors’ Luncheon
(ticket required)

1:30–1:45 p.m. Reconvening Prayer

1:45–2:45 p.m. Breakout Sessions

- *Faith: The Heart of Mercy and the Gifts of Grace*
- *Service: Heart Within a Heart*
- *Social Justice: The Wise Women Builds: Transforming Division into Unity*

2:45–3:15 p.m. Refreshment Break

3:15–4:15 p.m. Repeat Breakout Sessions

6:30 p.m. Provincial Dinners
(see provinces on site for locations and times)

Wednesday, August 12

8:30–9:30 a.m. Living Rosary

9:30–10:00 a.m. Refreshment Break

10:00–noon Annual Meeting of Members

- Call to order
- Introductions
- Credentials report
- Adoption of Standing Rules
- National President’s Report
- National Spiritual Advisor’s Report
- National Secretary-Treasurer’s Report
- Presentation of Resolutions

Noon–1:30 p.m. Honorary Life Members Luncheon
(by invitation only)

1:45–2:00 p.m. Reconvening Prayer

2:00–3:30 p.m. Annual Meeting of Members

- Presentation by 2027 convention committee
- WUCWO Report
- Catholic Women’s Leadership Foundation
- Presentation by St. Vincent de Paul National Housing Committee
- Registration Report
- Adjournment

5:00–6:30 p.m. Closing Eucharistic Celebration,
St. Mary’s Cathedral Basilica (bus ticket
required – buses board at 4:00 p.m.)

6:30–7:00 p.m. Pre-Banquet Reception
(by invitation only)

7:00–10:00 p.m. Gala Banquet (ticket required)

Thursday, August 13

9:00–10:00 a.m. Post-convention Mass (open to all)

10:00–2:00 p.m. Peggy’s Cove Tour (ticket required)