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+ 6 courses to be determined

All Fall 2026 courses will end April 15, 2027

Course Descriptions

609A Guidelines for Treasurers (new)

- provides information on duties of treasurers at parish council, diocesan, and provincial levels. Also shares information on submitting donations to national voluntary and bursary funds as well as end of term responsibilities. Many resources and samples are provided, including: Statement of Revenues and Expenditures, Bank Reconciliation, and Budget

613A Spiritual Advisors Handbook (new)

- provides an introduction to the role of the Spiritual Advisor within The Catholic Women's League of Canada. Participants will explore the League's policies regarding Spiritual Advisors, their responsibilities, appointment and term of service, voting privileges, and participation in League life. The course also introduces the League's ecclesiastical history, Our Lady of Good Counsel, the League crest, organizational structure, and other foundational elements that help Spiritual Advisors better understand and support the mission and ministry of the CWL.

614A Handbook for Chairpersons

- is intended to provide the learner with an understanding of the roles and duties of Chairpersons of Faith, Service, and Social Justice in the Catholic Women's League of Canada at all levels of the League.

617A Parliamentary Procedures

- this course explores three topics - Rules, Motions and the three pillars of Faith, Service and Social Justice. The object of the workshop is to make parliamentary procedure a little less confusing, along with improving leadership skills and decision-making.

621A Welcome Program Module 1: A Guide to Welcoming all Members

- provides learners with ways to orient new and renewing members to the League. Included are membership forms and ideas for a welcome kit.

621B Welcome Program Module 2: Companionship

- provides learners with opportunities to be accompanied on their League journey and gives members a better understanding of what is expected of members.

628A Prayer Service Planning

- introduces participants to the essentials of designing and leading a meaningful prayer service rooted in the Christian call to peace. Learners explore key elements of prayer through prayer exemplars, forms of prayer, and categories of prayer, while gaining practical skills for planning a prayer service for parish or CWL gatherings.

634A Intergenerational Activity Program (new course)

- This course aims to emphasize the significance and advantages of intergenerational engagement. It will focus on physical, cognitive, and emotional well-being in council planning and communication. Effective communication strategies among different age groups will be discussed, along with activity suggestions and resources to foster intergenerational closeness. By exploring these strategies, council members can enhance engagement among diverse age groups.

636A Simplifying Meetings (new course)

- There are five sections in this guide. Each focuses on specific elements aimed at helping councils organize and create more simplified meeting and reporting procedures

644A Tools to Increase Connectedness Between Members

- The League's strength is members' connectedness. Included are some suggested tools to implement within parish and diocesan councils to increase the sense of belonging and help councils feel closer and be of service to each other.

645A Members Communications Guide (new)

- This course offers tools to enhance communication within and from the Catholic Women's League of Canada. It streamlines and expedites internal and external communications and shares information about effective communication and on setting communication goals; such as building relationships and emotional engagement with the audience.

806A Introduction to Catholic Social Teaching

- This workshop will explore the ten principles of Catholic Social Teaching and how we as members of the CWL can put into practice social justice actions. It also provides a comprehensive list of resources for your parish council to gain a deeper understanding of social justice issues and how you can turn them into social justice actions.

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817A Mentoring

- illustrates the roles and the goals of a mentor and mentee in the CWL; what they look like; and how these goals can be achieved.

823A S'Mores

- This course explores in detail topics such as: effective meetings; mentoring; resolutions; parliamentary procedure; developing policies and procedures; ethical guidelines, and much more!

828A Executive Orientation

- This comprehensive course includes 9 sections with topics including duties of officers, communication, budgets, and much more. These modules will help executive members at all levels develop a better understanding of the League and the responsibilities and knowledge that their office requires.

830A League Misconceptions (new course)

- Based on *Telling the REAL Story: Eliminating Misconceptions About the League*, this course uses member and non-member insights to explore how the League is perceived. Topics focus on engaging spiritual advisors, members and non-members; strengthening collaboration; welcoming all generations; recruiting and retaining members; and building community through social events. Through reflection and discussion, participants identify common misconceptions and learn practical strategies to address them.

831A-D Advocacy

- The Advocacy Courses (831A, 831B, 831C, and 831D) are a set of four interrelated courses that focus on the importance of advocacy in the League by providing the necessary background, guidelines, and tools for members to take action. Information is explored through interactive means including videos, discussions, short quizzes, and other opportunities to apply various concepts. Each course builds upon the other, therefore it is more beneficial to complete all four of them together.
 - Part A provides an introduction with why we advocate from a faith perspective.
 - Part B highlights the importance of Catholic social teaching and connects advocacy with national resolutions.
 - Part C outlines the 12 Steps to Successful Advocacy and applies principles of Catholic social teaching to this process.
 - Part D provides an in-depth look at the discerning the 'signs of the times', through a Pastoral Circle Process with a resource developed by Development and Peace-Caritas Canada.

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833A Resolutions

- This course is based on the League's latest resolution workshop: *A Guide to the Development, Adoption and Review of Resolutions*. It highlights the writing and submission process according to the revised guidelines.

835A The Joy of Leadership; Module 1: Ministry

- provides learners with information for becoming effective leaders and encouraging others to do the same.

835B The Joy of Leadership; Module 2: Strategies to Engage Members

- explores how to meaningfully engage members, foster participation, and cultivate joy through intentional leadership.

835C The Joy of Leadership; Module 3: Leadership in the League

- provides learners with more information for becoming an effective leader.

835D The Joy of Leadership; Module 4: Discovering New Opportunities

- provides learners with ways to discover new opportunities for herself and her council.

835E The Joy of Leadership; Module 5: Leadership Beatitudes

- provides learners with insights into how the Beatitudes can be applied in various leadership situations.

Other courses not offered F26 semester but available in future semesters

805A Catch the Fire

- This is a great introduction to the CWL to help you get started in the League.

808A Conflict Resolution

- Introduces how to become more effective at recognizing and dealing with conflict while helping others to do the same

832A Introduction for Clergy & Spiritual Advisors

- introduction for pastors and League spiritual advisors; includes brief history of the League including league organizational chart and the Objects of the League, as well as spiritual advisor responsibilities.

836A Core Purpose and Objects

- provides learners with an outline of the guiding principles that direct the policies and activities of League councils and members.