



The Catholic Women's League of Canada

MEMO

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FROM: Janet McLean, national secretary-treasurer

TO: Parish secretary-treasurer

CC: Parish presidents, diocesan presidents, provincial presidents, life members (on request)

It will be spring when this memo is received and "Alleluias" will be heard in churches as members celebrate Christ's resurrection and all that it means. Welcome to all who have taken on the role as parish council secretary or treasurer since my last memo. Thank you for stepping forward and taking on these most important roles.

I would like to express my thanks to everyone that completed the annual online survey forms last December. Your work as secretaries and treasurers is truly appreciated. Due to a change in software at national office, there were some problems in collating the information. However, national office staff worked diligently to ensure that all data input was available for the preparation of reports at the various levels of the League.

In my last memo, I mentioned that donations could be made to the National Bursary Fund and, in fact, the bursary fund is now listed on the national voluntary fund form and contributions can be made to it. It is a pleasure to report that seventeen parish councils made contributions totaling \$1,610 last year. Thank you to the councils that made these contributions. This amount will be added to the interest earned in 2017 on the principal in the bursary fund, thus increasing the amount available to qualified bursary applicants. Perhaps this year the number of councils and the amount contributed can be doubled!

The *Handbook for Secretaries* and the *Guidelines for Treasurers* are in the process of being revised. If you have any suggestions or comments that could help make these resources more helpful or user-friendly, I would love to hear from you. Just send your remarks to national office and they will forward them on to me.

May the joy of His resurrection continue to flourish in your hearts and may the Holy Spirit continue to inspire your work for the League.

Janet McLean
National Secretary-Treasurer