

Past Presidents

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Here I am Lord, send me!

FOR: Past Presidents at All Levels
THROUGH: Presidents and Secretaries at All Levels
CC: National Executive (for information)
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The arrival of a new year brings with it a need for discerning what we, as past presidents, want to concentrate on and what to start with. Your list may include the following:

- Conduct an annual review of the council's policy and procedure manual. This review identifies suggestions for additions, deletions or corrections and is brought to the executive (diocesan/provincial) and membership (parish) before finalizing. With the many changes to the structure of the League, this is an important task.
- Ensure copies of the soon to be available [Constitution & Bylaws](#) is offered to all members. Where possible, supplying a hard copy is encouraged. Find an opportunity to familiarize all members with this manual, as it is a valuable resource to guide informed discussions.
- Support your president, as referenced in my fall 2023 article in [The Canadian League](#). Some presidents are still finding their way during these trying times, so offering moral support in the way of collaboration will likely be appreciated.
- If this is an election year (diocesan/provincial), you may have been called to chair the elections committee. The [National Manual of Policy and Procedure](#) (Section 7) is your go-to resource to assist you in this role.

The Unity Outreach results have revealed the need for all levels to continue to build relationships to reinforce a strong executive and membership. The new theme, *Here I am Lord, send me*, reminds us to reach out to help others or to help ourselves.

Your sister in the League,



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