

## Service

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Communiqué #05

*Here I am Lord, send me!*

**FOR:** Chairpersons of Service at All Levels (new structure), Chairpersons of Education and Health at All Levels (old structure)  
**THROUGH:** Presidents and Secretaries at All Levels  
**CC:** National Executive (for information)  
National Life Member Liaison  
**FROM:** Joline Belliveau, National Chairperson of Service

“Hope is being able to see that there is light despite all of the darkness” (Desmond Tutu).

**National Catholic Health Care Week:** February 4–February 10, 2024

National Catholic Health Care Week, sponsored by the [Catholic Health Alliance of Canada](#) (CHAC), seeks to create a just society where everyone can ask for and receive healing and care. This year’s theme is *Signs of Hope*.

CHAC has created a [social media toolkit](#) and encourages everyone to go online and promote National Catholic Health Care Week using #catholichealthcareweek. Included are social media posts for your use, or you can create your own. [Daily prayers and reflections](#) for the week are also available. Also offered are statements reflecting the courageous gift of Catholic health care, including “inspired to serve,” “together in care,” “passion for justice” and “courage to lead.” This dedicated [webpage](#) provides a more in-depth explanation of these statements.

[CHAC](#) has so much to offer, including a history of Catholic hospitals in Canada, resources (publications), ethics and end-of-life care and prayers, ideas and health information intertwined with Catholic values, including dignity and care for the sick.

The organization’s website also provides details on the importance of Catholic health care and how it serves to protect Catholics’ rights, beliefs and values, working tirelessly to defend the truths members are taught through their Catholic faith, such as the right to life and to prevent the marginalization of seniors and other vulnerable groups.

This website deserves your attention; it is full of information supporting the fundamental beliefs in the Catholic faith, a website to help members defend and protect the beliefs they live in their day-to-day lives.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joline Belliveau". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Joline Belliveau  
National Chairperson of Service