To: All Parish Presidents and Christian Family Life Chairpersons

CC: London Diocesan Council; and OPC Christian Family Life Chairperson – Colleen Martin

From: Mary Ann Horne-White – Christian Family Life Chairperson

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Directive #1

Whatever you do will enhance their lives.

A bit about me:

I've been married 23 years to my husband Tim. My son and family live nearby. I have been a member of the Catholic Women's League since 1999, and a member at Corpus Christi in Windsor since 2005. I work at a Ladies Fashion Boutique near where I live. My love of being with people keeps me going whether in the CWL or the community.

I really enjoyed being your Community Life Chairperson from 2018-2021, and look forward to the next two years as your Christian Family Life Chairperson.

Christian Family Life Encompasses:

Marriage and Family, Sanctity of Life, Ministry to Youth, Disabled Seniors, Single, Widowed, Separated and Divorced, Promotion of Vocations

**Councils can choose an area or two they would like to work on for Christian Family Life. With Covid-19 we have to find ways to keep in touch and work together in new and different ways.

Pray for Vocations: Priesthood, Sisterhood, and Married need our prayers. Pray for our priests and clergy, especially now. Married couples have added stress and need our support and prayers. **Seniors:** We may not be able to visit our seniors at their homes, retirement and nursing homes right now. Cards, short notes, and calls can make members feel less isolated. They can feel so alone at this time, and may need assistance, or just a friendly voice. Please keep in touch with them and help where needed. **Widows, Separated, or Divorced**: Call and check on them. Some may be struggling bringing up children without spouses. There may be a lot of stress right now and feelings of isolation. Reach out to them. Invite them to become members of the CWL.

Caregivers: Do you know any caregivers you could call, check on, and give your support? So many of us are taking care of aging parents, husbands or family members, and need support.

<u>Keeping in touch suggestion</u>: "Get a Call and Make a Call". A member gets a call and then makes a call to another member and it continues.......

"Our Lady of Good Counsel Guide Us On Our Journey"

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