



**The Catholic Women's League of Canada**  
**London Diocesan Council**



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*We need a community to help us reach our goal. Faith is not an individual journey; it's a team sport. We need each other. We are on this journey together.*

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**EDUCATION:** Let us pray that this grand experiment of sending our children and teachers back to school during these uncertain times is a safe and healthy decision. I know that there is a lot of fear and concern out there and that some parents have made the decision to home-school their children. Whatever parents decide we need to support and encourage them.

**HEALTH:** *"Finish the task-Wear a mask".* I've taken some material from the Catholic Register . *"Wearing a Mask shows we Care"* Conspiracy theorists portray masks as a ploy by the government to control people and restrict their rights for freedom. Anti-maskers brand themselves as freedom fighters as they fight the mandate to wear this symbol (they see) of oppression and restraint. This pandemic is smoking out a problem deeply suppressed by our society: confusing freedom with living carefree, wholly detached and devoid of responsibility towards other people. What is freedom? Freedom is often defined as doing whatever we want whenever we want, and we would do it whichever way we want devoid of the consequences that follow from these choices. However, St. Pope John Paul II argues, freedom is rooted in "I have the power to do what I ought." Freedom is rooted in responsibility. What is it that we ought to do? We simply have to start caring. Wearing a mask is no longer just about us — it's about others. The mask protects you and other people. It is a Catholic calling for us to look after our neighbour." On Youtube there is a video titled "A Matter of Masks" filmed in Stratford by my own family doctor. Check it out!

**Pornography Hurts Campaign: Project Maple Leaf** Human trafficking has reached unbelievable numbers. Masks have hid the identity of those who are wearing them putting our young ones in more jeopardy. Please support both these campaigns. The Pornography Hurts postcards can be downloaded from the CWL.ca website.

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