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## The Catholic Women's League of Canada Military Ordinariate Provincial Council



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**FROM:** Military Ordinariate Provincial Organization Chair

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### Welcome back to work Sisters in the League!

I would like to welcome back all our base council organization chairs and once again offer my support to you and ask that you send me your contact information. I would very much like to be in touch with each council in the coming months.

The duties of the Organization Chair are varied and challenging at times. The transient nature of our communities, lends itself to problems in continuity and we may sometimes feel that we are patching our councils together following every posting season. Take heart, my sisters, in the knowledge that the grooming and mentorship of our CWL sisters benefits our greater Military Ordinariate provincial council as they join their new base councils. In her recent communique, National Organization Chair, Margaret Ann Jacobs, reminds us to encourage our members in order to keep them engaged and empowered; members who feel welcomed and encouraged, produce exceptional results for our

organization and with this in mind, I pray for you all to enter into this new year of CWL with happy hearts and looking for opportunities to support each other in order to build healthy councils.

At our annual convention in Ottawa, last May, I reported that in 2014, there were no requests for training by the base councils. This is something I would like to rectify this second half of my term. I would like to hear back from you about what kind of training your councils are looking for. I would suggest you make a list of your council's strengths and weaknesses and make a decision based on an area of focus. The national website also has workshops on its website in which you may be interested. Once we know what kind of training you and your council in need of, we can then try to make arrangements for a member of the Military Ordinariate executive to visit your council and provide support and training.

It is not too soon to be thinking about your membership drives. In the national document and training tool, *Leading the League* (found on the National website, [www.cwl.ca](http://www.cwl.ca), September and October are months for us to focus on Marketing ourselves; marketing our councils. Listed in it are reasons why members may become unsuccessful in recruiting: feeling like there is nothing to change, that their council is functioning fine so why try to recruit; not understanding that we all, as members, have a responsibility to recruit new members; and that we all get wrapped up in our own lives and fail to see the importance of every catholic woman being a member in the League. September and October are the months in which we need to be educating ourselves on the who, what and why's of the League (CWL Mission Statement, League Promise, and Objects of the League). If you can't answer these questions, you need to learn about them. This will be your biggest recruitment tool. When you have a love for the League; our Mission, Promises and Works- you will be contagious!

Thank you all for your hard work and dedication! May you have successful years and be rewarded with increased Faith and Spirit!

Your sister in Christ,  
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