



Nova Scotia Provincial Council

Catholic Women's League of Canada

Christian Family Life Communiqué # 4

Inspired By The Spirit Women Respond To God's Call

To: Diocesan Counterparts (*For distribution to all parish councils*)
From: Nova Scotia Provincial Theresa Duann Chairperson
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Copied: Provincial President, Peggy MacNeil and Executive (for information)
National Chairperson, Doreen Gowan (for information)

Welcome back after a beautiful summer that passed so quickly. Doreen Gowans, Christian Family Life chair at National has posted Communiqué # 5 on the website. It contains a great deal of information. I am going to repeat one part.

The United Nations Human Rights Committee is considering excluding the unborn child from the right-to-life clause of an important United Nations Human Rights Treaty.

If passed, access to abortion would be an international human right.

A petition to oppose this is being circulated and will be presented on October 6/17.

It is sponsored by the centre for Family and Human Rights in Washington D. C.

Available at c-fam.org/right-Life-international/.

Life-Canada and host group Action Life Ottawa will be sponsoring the 2017 International Pro-Life Conference in Ottawa Nov. 3-4 2017. Entitled: **True North Strong For Life**. For more info visit lifecollective.io/lifecanada/events

Headline: Nova Scotia has highest number of low-income children.

1/4 of children under 6 live in low-income households. This number has not improved in the past 10 years. Nova Scotia also has the lowest medium income in Canada.

Youth under 18, 22.2% live in low income households. Low income households are defined as those who will likely devote a larger share of its income on the necessities of life -Food, Shelter and Clothing.

Other problems that loom high in youth culture: sex trade, suicide, pornography bullying. Modern advancements have also contributed to these problems.

Nova Scotia seniors going it alone. This is a good trend. We are an older province. We have surpassed the National Average of 28%. Older people are more likely to live alone, as we are living longer, death of a spouse, divorce etc. In order for seniors to live long and prosper they need access to doctors and shorter wait times for surgical care. Social outlets are important plus a stable income and in some cases age - friendly homes. But there are many seniors that live below the poverty line. Last week Toronto reported they are seeing many more seniors at the city food banks. Also, the parish should be aware of older people living alone in their area.

CARP is a non profit, non partisan organization with a goal of creating a new vision of aging.

Check out “**Elder talk**” to seniors in Communique #5 on the CWL website.

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A write-up by Father Craig Cameron ,Kentville

A Career in the Religious Life “Entering into the lives of the People”

He states the journey is academically and spiritually arduous with rigorous psychological and physical examinations. The only reason to pursue the Priesthood is “If you feel called and want to serve out of love.” Such service allows you to “enter into very intimate and sensitive moments in people's lives.”

This write up goes on to discuss Nature of work, duties, skills, and job requirements.