## 70<sup>th</sup> Nova Scotia Provincial Convention Oral Report Resolutions Committee June 2018

Reverend Clergy, Madam President, members of the League:

The annual report for 2018 is in the convention booklet.

It is difficult to believe that two years has passed in the Resolutions Committee at the Provincial level. Emotions have ranged from elation when a parish council has worked with conviction to bring a resolution to the provincial level and then disappointment was realized when the National Resolutions Committee did not accept it for various reasons. In the past month, the committee formed to review <u>Resolution 2016.02: To improve access to oral care for Vulnerable People in Canada</u> met briefly via email and it was felt that with the input of new references the resolution could be updated and resubmitted in the future year. At this time, I would like to thank the members of this committee – Kathleen Campbell, Jessie Parkinson, Glenda Carson for their interest and commitment to this issue.

Last year, Resolution 2017.01: Banning the Marketing of Foods and Beverages to Children was passed at the Provincial Convention in Dartmouth but was not accepted by the National Resolutions Committee due to ongoing consultations in the summer of 2017 by the federal government panel Restricting marketing to Children as well as 2016.02 Eating Well with Canada's Food Guide addressed the issues raised in the resolution. The Resolutions Committee also stated if "should the consultations not proceed to a satisfactory outcome; the committee would invite the Nova Scotia Provincial Council to resubmit this resolution for consideration." Due to the consultations held by Health Canada in the summer of 2017, the document entitled Consultation Report: Restricting Marketing of Unhealthy Food and Beverages to Children in Canada (https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/publications/food-nutrition/restricting-marketing-to-kids-what-we-heard.html#es) was released in December 2017. In light of this report, there is sufficient information for a review of the resolution.

In closing, appreciation and gratitude is extended to diocesan chairpersons, to whom I have had the pleasure of collaboration in regards to individual resolutions – Kathleen Campbell and Doreen Boudreau of the Antigonish Diocesan Council and Ann Baldock of the Halifax-Yarmouth Diocesan Council.

May our Lady of Good Counsel bless each of us as we walk each day in the footsteps of her Son, Jesus.

Here ends my report,
Ann Myers
NS Resolutions Chair