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Dear sisters in the League,

The Toronto Diocesan Council is excited to introduce the enclosed *Council Prayer Partner* card as part of the Spiritual Development project for Councils. We know that through prayer, we ask the Holy Spirit to work for all of us to strengthen our commitment to the League and to each other.

One of our Catholic Women's League National objectives is "*to achieve individual and collective spiritual development*". We can fulfil this by including this prayer card in the Spiritual portion of our meetings. As a suggestion, this prayer may be recited after the opening League Prayer or before the closing prayer at each CWL meeting.

As *Council Prayer Partners* you will strengthen, encourage, and support the Council selected through prayer. Each Parish Council will be assigned a Council Prayer Partner at the Fall Regional meetings with the hope that as each member is introduced to this card, they will know that they are being supported in prayer by members of another council.

In addition to using this prayer card, there are many other ways in which we can offer prayers for our sisters in the League. For example you may choose to dedicate a decade of the Rosary for the intentions of all members at each of your meetings or before daily Mass. Or you may choose to collect a spiritual bouquet, offer a Mass for the CWL council, include a special intention for all councils at your Regional Masses etc...

This project will conclude with a special prayer ceremony that will take place at our Toronto Convention in May 2014. We hope that you will attend and participate with us and all your sisters in the League.

"And we though many, throughout the earth, We are one body in this one Lord".

Please don't hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

May Our Lady of Good Counsel be with us as we build our bonds of sisterhood through service to the people of God.

Blessings,

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