Addendum 1.1

The Catholic Women's League of Canada
New Member Information Form

Council Name: _____ Date: _____

"Every sunrise is God saying, 'Welcome Home there is always a place for you'".
(Erwin Raphael McManus)

Part I: Basic Information

New members should complete each section.

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Telephone number: _____ E-mail: _____

How do you prefer to be contacted? _____

To plan council activities and events effectively, may we share your interests and skills as answered in the questions below with the members of the parish council executive? _____

May we share your contact information in the shared membership list? _____

Due to privacy requirements, if you answered yes above, please sign in the space below:

Birthday (dd/mm/yyyy): _____ Anniversary: _____

What age group do you belong to: ❑ 16-24 ❑ 25-34 ❑ 35-50 ❑ 51-70 ❑ 70+

Part II: Category of Membership

Leading the League provides the following descriptive categories for members. Choose the category that applies.

___ **Fully Active Members:** These members pay dues, attend meetings, take part in business procedures with voting privileges, serve on committees and can take advantage of the many opportunities for personal and spiritual development offered by the League.

____**Partially Active Members:** These members pay dues but cannot always attend meetings or functions. They are willing to help when needed, on a task-by-task basis. They want to be part of the organization and make a difference but have limited time to offer.

___ **Financially Supportive Members**: These members pay dues to support the national organization and their local council. They cannot be fully or partially active currently but may become more involved in the future. They wish to stay informed of events and educational updates through the League website and *The Canadian League*.

___ **Prayer Partners**: These members pay dues, taking part spiritually as prayer partners—either with a specific person or generally for all members. In turn, they are included in all League prayers.

Part III: Interests

The core values of the League are:

Faith—following Catholic teaching

Service—local, national and international

Social Justice—actively involved in society

Faith

- ❑ Do you enjoy reading books or attending programs that help to develop your faith?
- ❑ Do you take opportunities to share your faith with others?
- ❑ Are you interested in discussing topics of faith with others?
- ❑ Do you like to think deeply about philosophical things?
- ❑ Are you open to learning new ways to pray or meditate?
- ❑ Do you find that you need to "recharge" with spiritual exercises?
- ❑ Activities you might like to get involved in: rosary circle, parish ministries, scripture studies, prayer groups, organizing retreats.

Service

- ❑ Are you one of those people who are the "backbone" of the church?
- ❑ Do you like to work in the church community?
- ❑ Do you prefer to work behind the scenes?
- ❑ Do you enjoy taking care of others?
- ❑ Do you consider yourself a good hostess?
- ❑ Can you take charge of a task that needs doing and get it done?
- ❑ Is the social part of the meeting important?
- ❑ Activities you might like to get involved in: cooking and baking, knitting, decorating, visiting seniors and the homebound, event organization, community dinners.

Social Justice

- ❑ Do you like to keep informed about issues in the news and current events?
- ❑ Do you feel passionately about issues that are unjust, or where people are treated poorly?
- ❑ Do you like to think of solutions to problems that affect people?
- ❑ Do you like to work in the larger community?
- ❑ Are you detail-oriented?

- ❑ Do you enjoy reading, writing and organizing?
- ❑ Activities you might like to get involved in: community volunteering, social justice issues, letter writing, visiting elected officials, resolutions.

Part IV: A Little Bit More About You

Do you work outside of the home? Full-time or part-time? Do you volunteer in the church or community? If so, where?

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The League's mission calls "members to grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service." Please consider what time commitment you could make to the valuable work the parish council performs.

What days and times are best for you? _____

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There are roles for all women within the church and League, both active and more contemplative roles. When thinking about your ideal role within the League, would you say that you:

- ❑ Are a bit of a go-getter, like to stay active and do things with your hands and your mind?
- ❑ Prefer quiet time, like to pray and spend time in church?
- ❑ Are easy-going, happy to help out whenever needed (but not all the time)?
- ❑ Are not fond of big crowds, prefer behind the scenes roles?
- ❑ Are happy to help out when able to do so?
- ❑ Like working in the community, possibly with children or visiting the elderly or sick?
- ❑ Like to have others take the lead, but will work on a task until it is done?
- ❑ Like working with others on a cause, doing work like research or letter-writing?

Some other interests to consider:

Spiritual development	Social justice issues
Sewing	Mentor to new members
Prayer partner	Parish ministries
Car pool	Choir

This is not an exhaustive list! The goal is to get a sense of what you are most comfortable with and what you most enjoy doing.