



**The Catholic Women's League of Canada
Alberta Mackenzie Provincial Council**



**Christian Family Life Chair
MEMO**

DATE: May 1st, 2020

FROM: Celine Berlinguette, Provincial Chairperson of Christian Family Life
TO: Provincial Executive
Diocesan Presidents
Diocesan President-elects
RE: March for Life Diocesan Masses – May 14th, 2020

“Did not he who made me in the womb make them?
And did not one fashion us in the womb?”
- Job 31:15

My dear Sisters in Christ;

The CORVID 19 Virus has forced us to make many changes in our lives within the last few months. All public gatherings have been cancelled and social distancing has been our “new normal”. In keeping with the recommendations from Health Officials, the March for Life scheduled for May 14th in Edmonton and across Canada was cancelled.

As it has been the “norm” to have the celebration of the Mass at the Cathedral prior to the March, the Alberta March for Life committee has made arrangements with each of our Dioceses to celebrate the March for Life Mass on May 14th, 2020.

- Archdiocese of Edmonton: Archbishop Smith will celebrate the Mass for Life at 10:00 am on May 14th.
- St. Paul Diocese: Bishop Terrio will celebrate the Mass for Life on May 14th at 10:00am.
- Grouard McLennan Archdiocese: Archbishop Pettipas will celebrate the Mass for Life at 10 am.
- Calgary Diocese: Bishop McGrattan will celebrate the Mass for Life on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 10th at 10:00am
- Ukrainian Eparchy: Bishop Motiuk will celebrate Divine Liturgy on Thursday, May 14, at 10:00am. (Also each year, they also schedule a Moleben (a special prayer service, according to Ukr Cath usage) in support of the Sanctity of Life, on the Monday before the March for Life. This year, the Moleben will take place 7:00 pm, Monday, May 11, also at Saint Josaphat Cathedral.

The Masses will be live-streamed on the individual Diocesan websites. Please plan to attend one of these Masses as we continue to support “Sanctity of Life” from conception to natural death.

Diocesan Presidents, would you please notify your Councils of the scheduled Mass and time.

We look forward to seeing you all (virtually) at the Mass. God Bless!

Yours in Christ,

Celine