

SUPPORT OUR MISSION

CWL focuses time and effort in supporting day-to-day needs of the parish. Please consider joining one of our teams.

THE MARTHA'S AND MARY'S

Are you available to prepare or provide an occasional dish for a funeral lunch? The Martha's provide this service to lessen the burden on family members during this overwhelming time. Please consider this worthwhile ministry.

Contact: Kate Nawrocki at 314-591-7075

THE HONOR GUARD

Can you attend an occasional funeral? The Honor Guard provides a candlelit presence at the funerals of deceased HR women. It is truly a moving experience and a tribute to those who have gone before us.

Contact: Vera Maas at 314-968-5092

ALTAR CARE

Can you help in keeping the church looking great for everyday use, funerals, special occasions, and holidays? The altar care group does much of the "unseen" work that keeps our church beautiful.

Contact: Sue Darcy at 314-961-0267

TRIED AND TRUE

Every year CWL tries to adjust our calendar to appeal to a variety of interests. We want women involved and engaged in our mission and our parish. Keep your eyes open for information about a few of our time honored events which always prove to be winners!

PARISH PROGRESSIVE DINNER

Enjoy an evening mingling with parishioners at three different destinations. You will enjoy cocktails at a host home with 30-40 other guests, followed by a more intimate dinner, and finally join all attendees at a dessert extravaganza! This is an evening full of laughs and a great opportunity to meet new people within the parish.

FISH FRY DAY

Join us for our annual Lenten Fish Fry, a fun event that brings the parish together and show the STL community what a great place HR really is. Great food, parishioners working together, and an opportunity for kids to run around for hours makes it a win/win!

Grants and Scholarships

A job well done...Your support of CWL activities resulted in more than \$9,000 in allocations last year. We were able to donate funds towards church improvements (CMR, painting, new RMR door, communion vessels, silk flowers), as well as HR youth group, St. Peter and Paul shelter, Lydia's House, Emily Lemcke Memorial Library, our Parish Social, and our sister parish in Haiti. We also gave away two \$1,000 scholarships to 8th graders attending Catholic high schools. Please join us in congratulating our two outstanding recipients Clara Hasemeier and Lenny Madalon. Grants are allocated annually in the spring with an application process. The CWL raises funds throughout the year in order to support these worthy causes.

Special Thanks

Thanks to Kelly Rader for hosting our fall kick-off party. It was a great night to reconnect with friends and learn about upcoming CWL events and volunteer opportunities. Fall Bash wouldn't be possible each year without a very gracious hostess...thank you Kelly!!

News from the Holy Redeemer Parish Catholic Women's League 2017 BLUE LETTER

From the President:

"In the Church, and in the journey of faith, women have had and still have a special role in opening doors to the Lord." -Pope Francis

Another exciting year is ahead of us, and I am honored to be President of the Catholic Women's League for 2017-2018. CWL has several fun, service, and spiritual activities planned. Tim and I moved to Webster Groves in 2002 and were welcomed by Holy Redeemer. I joined CWL and formed friendships with women of the parish while spreading Christ's love to others through service. My faith also deepened and grew, along with our family: we had five kids in nine years, and now all five attend the day school, K-8th grade! CWL is a wonderful service and social organization for **every** woman of the parish, no matter your age or walk of life. Our first event, the Fall Bash, was a big success! We all enjoyed sharing in fun and fellowship while learning about opportunities available to serve. Thank you to Kelly Rader for opening her beautiful home to all of us, to all the board members for their hard work and to all the women who were able to attend. Please mark your calendars for our upcoming events: Our annual Holiday Hearts party supporting our adopted families from the Crisis Nursery will be at the lovely home of Carrie Genovese on November 30th. Immediately following is Advent by Candlelight on December 5th. This beautiful event in our newly renovated CMR will help prepare your heart for the birth of Jesus. It will begin with our incredible speaker, Rainey Fahey, followed by tea, dessert and camaraderie, with seating randomly assigned. Our Progressive Dinner will be held on the evening of January 27th. We also have two Fish Fries scheduled for February 23rd and March 23rd. Our annual Lenten Morning of Reflection will be February 21st 9am in the CMR. We will assemble Haiti Birthing Kits March 27th 9am in the CMR, and will meet at Operation Food Search warehouse to pack food and enjoy treats on April 5th 7:30pm.

We have such a wonderful community at Holy Redeemer and the Catholic Women's League is another great way to become involved in that community. Please join us for any or all of our events! Should you have any

**JOIN THE CWL TODAY! YOUR MEMBERSHIP IS
IMPORTANT**

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The CWL mission is one of service through working together as friends and neighbors to build relationships, build community, and support a wide variety of charitable efforts.

Take a moment today to mail your membership check for \$20 to the rectory, care of CWL. Be sure to include your email address for event reminders and updates.

2017-2018 Executive Board

Rachel Kessler, President
Tricia Reh, Vice President
Jenny McMillan, Recording Secretary
Sheri Allgeier, Treasurer

2017-2018 Calendar of Events

November 30	Crisis Nursery Event
December 5	Advent by Candlelight
January 27	Progressive Dinner
February 21	Morning of Reflection
February 23	Fish Fry
March 23	Fish Fry
March 27	Assemble Haiti Birthing Kits
March 28	Church Cleaning
April 5	Operation Food Search
May 4	8 th Grade Mother's Luncheon
May 15	Allocations

SAVE THE DATE!

"Holiday Hearts Kickoff"

Thursday, November 30 at 7:30pm
Home of Carrie Genovese - 116 Gray Ave.,
Webster Groves

Enjoy an evening of food, drink and friendship while supporting a good cause! We will be supporting our adopted families through Crisis Nursery and hearing from a CN staff member.