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# Review

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**“PRAY AND ACT FOR CHANGE”**



## President's Message

Welcome to 2015, and we pray that the year improves after many disturbing events notably the siege in the Sydney café, the assassination of staff in the office of the magazine, *Charlie Hebdo* and the death of so many children from a family in Cairns and for our Filipino community who have relatives and friends affected by the recent floods in the Philippines.

Our response is to pray for the victims but Pope Francis, speaking at a Mass on 8<sup>th</sup> Jan 2015, reminds us to pray for terrorists “May the Lord change the hearts of the cruel” He went on to speak about cruelty – “the attack in Paris makes us think of so much cruelty: **human cruelty**...so let us ask for the cruel ones that the Lord may change their hearts”.

The journal, *Catholic Leader* published an article promoting Baby Safe Havens. The article highlighted a Queensland organisation who are calling on their government to support the concept of Baby Safe Havens. You can read the article in the January 19<sup>th</sup> 2015 issue.

We farewell Mary D'elia, Mary is moving back to Victoria to commence a new management position. Mary is an inspiring leader and we are grateful for her commitment and contribution to the Social Issues Committee. Mary was pivotal in setting up and guiding us through the inception of Anima. We wish her all the best in her new position.

I offer a collective appreciation to members who contribute regularly to issues raised by the

Social Issues Committee but may be unable to attend meetings. I encourage all members to become advocates for Catholic issues by liaising with our Social Issues Convenor and offering their assistance or expert guidance.

To conclude on a happier note, congratulations to Clare and Rod Williams on the birth of their son. Clare is one of our young members and an active participant on the Social Issues Committee.

Congratulations also to Anna Matuzek whose son Stefan will be ordained a Deacon on February 12<sup>th</sup> in Lismore.

*Sandra Harvey*



**Reflection****February 2015**

Prepared by Mrs. Clare Kiely-Hoye

You are invited to be still,

- to “be still,”
- to sit comfortably,
- to close your eyes
- to breathe deeply, in and out, in and out, in...out...
- to attend to the presence of God dwelling within you

You are invited

- to come to the living water
- to be still
- to listen, to listen,
- to wait on God who is always inviting you in to closer relationship with him.

Now allow the words of the prophet Isaiah, taken from the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, to flow over your mind and heart:

Oh, come to the water all you who are thirsty; though you have no money, come!  
Listen, listen to me and you will have good things to eat and rich food to enjoy. Is35:2(b) 3(a)

Now perhaps read the Isaiah words again, slowly, reflectively. Listen for any word or image that attracts you or perhaps stirs your spirit.

Stay with that word or image ...talk to God about your word or image. Listen...be still.

***Consider***

What might God be

- offering you to quench your thirst for living water?

What might God be

- asking of you as you journey into 2015?
- Listen listen Come
- Be still and know that God is God

***Amen***

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**Reflection****March 2015**

Prepared by Mrs Kiely-Hoye

In January 2015, over 1 million people joined a walk in Paris France, to offer solidarity and claim freedom and peace for all.

If you were in Paris at this time, would you have joined in the “Je suis Charlie” historical walk?

Would you have joined with your sisters and brothers, Jews, Christians, Muslims, Atheists, Non-believers, Hindus, young people and old people, people from all walks of life? People from all nationalities ?

Whatever your response, let us join now in spirit, in prayer...as we reflect on Jesus who has come to teach humanity how to live in peace and freedom.

I invite you to “come and see” (John1:39) afresh , this Jesus of whom the Father says: “You are my beloved son; with you I am well pleased. (Mark 1:11)

I invite you to  
Sit comfortably,  
To read reflectively...slowly...part of the gospel of Mark:

Jesus took with him Peter, James and John and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves, and he was transfigured before them...

And a cloud overshadowed them ...a voice came out of the cloud; “This is my beloved son; listen to him.”

And suddenly looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only.  
(Mark 9:2,7-8)

**Consider**

“Jesus only”

- I invite you to stay with the disciples, focussed on just one person, “Jesus only.”
- Let Jesus look at you
- Allow his gaze to meet your eyes
- Speak to him if you wish
- Listen to what he desires for you
- Wait.. Listen.. *Amen*

**Mass Crusade**

February : Devonport

Prayer Intentions:

Universal: That prisoners, especially the young, may be able to rebuild lives of dignity

Evangelization: That married people who are separated may find welcome and support in the Christian community.

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March: Lilydale/Karoola, St. Leonards

Prayer Intentions:

Universal: That those involved in scientific research may serve the well-being of the whole human person.

Evangelization: That the unique contribution of women to the life of the Church may be recognised always.

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April: Richmond

Prayer Intentions:

Universal: That people may learn to respect creation and care for it as a gift of God.

Evangelization: That persecuted Christians may feel the consoling presence of the Risen Lord and the solidarity of all the Church.

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*From the State Secretary*

Happy New Year! I wish all members and their families good health, peace and prosperity in 2015.

Due to illness the changeover of files for the State President, Secretary and Southern Vice-President was delayed until January 6, but now all members of the State Executive have become familiar with the duties required of them and we look forward to being of service to the members of Catholic Women's League Tasmania Inc!

The new "Review" Editor, Kath Pearce has met with the previous editorial team and is looking forward to producing an interesting newsletter. She would be grateful for any contributions members or branches can provide. Members were reminded some time ago that the "Review" is your magazine! It is also a means of correspondence from the State Executive and I urge all branches to read the Presidents' report and any other matters of concern to their branches at their monthly meetings.

The State Executive will meet in March, at a date to be arranged. A teleconference with the National Executive and Member Organisations is usually scheduled for May, but more news about that later.

*Lillian Deane*

*From the Southern Vice-President*

I do hope you all had a happy and holy Christmas and New Year season. We all hope and pray for a great New Year in each of our families and in our CWL families. I am sure we all look forward to a fresh year to continue our good works for those in need and maybe will be moved to do just a little more, if we are able. Even though many of us are having a few problems, as I am, with more hip surgery looming, there are small ways we can contribute.

Our lovely new State President Sandra, although busy before Christmas, found time to visit.

Richmond's Christmas meeting. All ten members present were very impressed with Sandra and the co-incidence that our State Treasurer, Jan, was also present, having driven Sister Norah Donnelly, our Richmond Spiritual Director for 17 years. Sister Norah has retired and has been an inspiration to us all – thank you Sister Norah. You will be missed at our meetings.

Our President pointed out that it was a special day to have three members of the State Executive present. After mass and a festive lunch, Sandra gave us a very informative talk. Thank you Sandra for sparing the time to be with us.

It is the intention of Sandra and I to visit all branches during the year, to get to know you all.

With high hopes for a successful 2015.

May God be Glorified in all we do

*Deidre Reid.*

*From the State Treasurer*

Thank you to everyone for your support during our State conference. It was lovely to see you all. I am sure everyone enjoyed the weekend. Your generous supply of cakes and slices helped to lower costs for the lunches.

The Auditor has returned our financial records and we have sent a report to Corporate Affairs, as is required. A copy of the financial statement will be printed in this Review.

The registrations, raffle and donations covered the cost of conference with a small amount in reserve.

“Women’s Voice” A reminder that subscriptions to this magazine are due in February, straight after your first meeting. Please send your name and address, and the number required. Cost is still \$22.

Membership fees are due at the AGM’s in May so please have your money ready for your treasurer so it can be forwarded to me with the list of members. This is important as the membership list has to be sent to the National Office for insurance purposes.

Would all Diocese members please send their \$25 to me before May 30th as well as those who pay for Review only, which is \$11. This will eliminate the need to send accounts owing to the cost of postage.

Your attention to these matters will be greatly appreciated and make my job much easier.

May God’s richest blessings be with you all. I hope you’ve had a happy Christmas and the New Year brings you peace and good health.

*Jan Lawler*

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*From the Northern Vice-President*

I wish all CWL members and their families a happy New Year and hope it is filled with peace and good health, with an open heart, an active mind and a level of fitness that enables you to continue your good works for the League into 2015.

As I reflect for a moment, looking back over 2014, I see a small but committed group of women who so diligently put to the fore, their love of God, the love of their faith community and their love of social action in the name of CWL and commend them for their efforts.

I also thank God for the freedom we have to live and celebrate our faith in view of the awful events of the world in the past few weeks. I pray that the world may be spared of more such terror and violence.

May God grant us a grace-filled 2015.

*Wendy Fittler*

**Consolidated Statement of Receipts and Payments  
Catholic Womens League Tasmania Inc.  
For the Year ending 30 June 2014**

<b>Receipts</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Conference Receipts	500.00	2762.09
Diaries	440.00	700.00
Donations/ Collections	1473.85	903.60
Fundraising / Raffles	5582.14	6224.61
Interest	1374.86	830.70
Reviews & Newsletters	3479.00	3457.80
Sales Members	7433.30	7596.30
Sales Centre	2145.40	1856.71
Levies	7785.50	7935.00
Foster Child	119.20	662.50
Miscellaneous	260.40	812.47
WUCWO	339.00	454.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>30932.65</b>	<b>34195.78</b>

**Payments**

Accommodation, Meals & Travel	881.47	375.70
Lease	0.00	50.00
Conference Costs	1703.64	5934.59
Commission	6364.76	5920.99
Diaries	336.00	628.00
Donations / Gifts	3207.25	2501.05
Foster Child	516.00	516.00
State Levies	7086.07	10695.94
Printing & Photocopying	722.65	1420.65
Postage	696.29	930.94
Aurora	75.00	75.00
Purchases	532.77	493.80
Raffles	1350.75	1117.00
Review	1848.00	2547.00
Miscellaneous	535.40	1720.73
Telstra	1023.70	892.10
WUCWO	549.38	817.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>27429.13</b>	<b>36636.99</b>

<b>Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<b>3503.52</b>	<b>(2441.21)</b>
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*From the Social Issues and Bio-Ethics Convenor*

Happy New Year to everybody.

Firstly, Best wishes to Mary D'Elia, an SIC and Anima member who is moving back to Melbourne to be near her family and start a new job . Congratulations and a huge thankyou, we will certainly miss your contributions.

In Mark 3:1-6, Jesus teaches us to do good at all times, even when you know the reward will not be forthcoming or there will be an adverse effect. Jesus healed the man's withered hand on the Sabbath, after which the Pharisees took counsel with the Herodians against him. Similarly, we must keep up the fight against abortion, euthanasia, the false compassion they profess, and same sex marriage which is not true marriage.

A programme called Safe School Coalition Australia received funding under the previous government, to run in schools. A programme that seeks to normalise homosexuality and transgender behaviour among students. It claims to target bullying but it ignores the major bullying causes, for example, body image.

It is the school's decision whether or not they choose to use this so called anti-bullying programme.

You can read more about it in the Open Letter to Tony Abbott, which will be included in your Review, please take the opportunity to voice your opposition to the programme by signing a letter and sending it to Tony Abbott.

The Christopher Dawson Centre regularly organise speakers. Even though this Review may be too late for the following one on 30th January, it is a good example;

Dr. Augusto Zimmerman

4.30 pm Friday 30th January

Law Lecture Theatre 2

Title: Subsidiary and Proper Role of the Government in free Society.

Please pray for the health of Fr Stephen O'Shea and my son Stefan who will be ordained a Deacon on 12th February in Lismore.

*Anna Matuszek*

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**Ginger Delight**

8 ozs Coffee Biscuits

½ cup coconut

1 cup preserved ginger  
or glace

1 teaspoon ginger

1 tin condensed milk

Method: Crush biscuits,

mix all together and press into a slab tin  
lined with foil or baking paper

Ice with the following – 2 ozs copha (melted)

½ cup icing sugar, 1 and a half tablespoons cocoa.

*From the North-West Vice-President*

I am pleased to announce that Devonport will have a new member this year and it is highly likely that she will take the treasurer's job which is vacant. Marlene was a member some years ago until she and her husband joined the travelling nomads, but now that is out of her system she is coming back to us. Welcome Marlene.

As Devonport celebrates their birthday in February we will be lunching at the Chocolate Factory after our meeting.

Ulverstone is looking forward to the start their year in February. Their President Marjory will help me when it is time to fold and post Reviews. They will join Devonport in March as a little bird told me that the State President might be visiting.

At this point I congratulate our new and younger State President Sandra for taking the position even though she works and I believe she would like to visit all branches so as to get to know the members.

*May God be glorified in all we do*

*Kath Pearce*

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**World Day of Prayer, Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2015 – Venues**

**Theme: "Do You Know What I Have Done To You?"**

**From The Bahamas**

Hobart: Salvation Army Citadel 73 Hopkins St. Moonah 11.00 am

North Hobart: Swan St. Uniting at 11.00 am

Lindisfarne: Uniting Church at 10.00 am

Launceston: Trinity Uniting Church, 124 Balfour St. Launceston at 1.30 pm

Riverside: St. David's Anglican Church, West Tamar Highway. Riverside.

Burnie: Salvation Army Citadel; Final details are not yet available and if I haven't received them before printing ring Lone Bakes 6435 2820

Ulverstone: Anglican Church at 1.30 pm

Devonport: Wesley Vale Community Church at 1.30 pm.

Penguin : Rock Church 2 Dooley St. at 10.00 am

*From The Editor*

A happy new year to you all

I hope you like the new format of Review, especially the reflections. They are certainly different to those we have been used to but I ask you to have patience as I am sure you will grow to like them. They are compiled by a very gifted lady from the Mersey-Leven parish; I will include more information about her in this edition.

I would like to thank Sister Marjory Bouchard for the reflections she has provided over the years and assure her of our prayers asking God to give her strength to endure her sickness with courage.

The previous editors have asked me to apologise for the wrong theme appearing in the last copy of Review.

I ask branches to please let me know when any member passes away.

The date for contributions for the April-May Review is 14th March.

*Kath Pearce*

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**Clare Kiely-Hoye**

Clare is a Tasmanian, committed to the gospel and to building harmony in our world.

Clare is a retired teacher, both of Primary and Secondary, with well over 40 years of experience in Education.

Clare holds a Diploma of Religious Education from the National Pastoral Institute Melbourne and qualification in Clinical Pastoral Education. Clare holds a Bachelor of Arts (Melbourne) and a Bachelor of Theology from the Melbourne College of Divinity.

In 2006 Clare completed an internship in Spiritual Direction at the Mersey Centre in San Francisco.

She currently works in a voluntary capacity at Mackillop Hill Spirituality Centre, Forth.

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**Exciting News**

**Graduation.** Congratulations to Nicola Fracalossi, daughter of Hobart member Maria, on graduating as a Doctor of Medicine. We wish Nicola every success in the future.

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***Bloopers from a Parish Bulletin .***

The fasting and prayer conference includes meals

Scouts are saving aluminium cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children.



## 2014 General Assembly Declaration

### Final Declaration of the World Union of Catholic Women's Organisations General Assembly 2014

The General Assembly of the World Union of Catholic Women's Organisations (WUCWO) met in Fatima, Portugal 23-27 October 2014. In light of the difficult world situation and encouraged by the inspiring words of Pope Francis, nearly 500 women from 35 countries and 56 organisations worked and studied guided by the Assembly theme of Women of WUCWO: Sowers of Hope.

We resolved that:

1. The WUCWO Board and Member Organisations will work to implement the selected priority for 2014-2018: Hope in action in the service of family, youth, and the suffering of the world.

2. The following resolutions were adopted:

**Family:** WUCWO will encourage and support its member organisations and its representatives working at international fora to give priority to the urgent challenges facing the family and youth.

**Human Trafficking:** WUCWO, its member organisations and its representatives at international fora will work individually and in network with other confessional and non-confessional related organisations to end the tragedy of human trafficking.

**Dialogue for Peace and Tolerance:** WUCWO will create a climate of understanding and mutual respect to contribute to the achievement of peace around the world, cultivating and promoting a respectful dialogue with the world, with people from other Christian denominations and other religions, within the Catholic Church and among WUCWO's member organisations.

**Addiction Prevention for a Life With a Future:** WUCWO shall promote through its member organisations the incorporation of prevention and elimination of alcohol and drug addictions in its action programs.

**Prevention and Fight Against Corruption:** WUCWO, its member organisations and its International Representatives shall work with international bodies and national governments, communities and families, to eliminate corruption.

**Right to Have Access to Clean Drinking Water and Sanitation:** WUCWO member organisations shall encourage amongst its members good practices in the sustainable use of water and shall encourage governments to accomplish the same.

3. Women of WUCWO will continue in their efforts to pray and act to attain a world that is just and secure so that all persons everywhere can flourish and fulfil the mission for which they were created.

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**COMING EVENTS**

Mass Crusade	February	Devonport
Mass Crusade	March	Lilydale-Karoola, St. Leonards
Mass Crusade	April	Richmond
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