



Winchester Section Catholic Women's League (CWL)

Caring with Love Charity Work Loyalty

Who are we?

We are Catholic Women with a Catholic voice ...

The Catholic Women's League was founded by Margaret Fletcher in 1906, with the aim of giving weight to and promoting Catholic principles in English social and national life, originally for women in England and Wales, and through time it has spread to women in other countries and is thriving in Australia, Canada and many others around the World. The CWL gives Catholic fellowship in today's secular world, and it is where lifelong friendships are able to develop and thrive. The Winchester Section was started in 1963 by Canon Mullarkey.

What do we do? (Pre-Covid)

We are involved in Charitable Work of all kinds

In 'normal times' we meet on the third Thursday of the month in the Parish Centre and are fortunate to have 7pm Mass as part of our meeting. We have interesting speakers at our meetings and learn about the Charities we support or those who may need our support in the future. Meetings are also a social occasion, plus we organise outings for coffee, lunch, and afternoon teas.

Charity, Work and Loyalty are our main aims. We have a Soup Lunch each month to make funds for the charities we support. During the last year we have helped Winchester Youth Counselling, The Trinity Centre, Winchester Night Shelter, Winchester Hospice Appeal and CWL National Charities.

Our members also volunteer at Winchester Hospital and Winchester Cathedral; at St Peters they can be found manning the Reception Desk, cleaning the Brass and Flower Arranging in the church.

What do we do? (During Covid)

We offer support and friendship

At the moment we have moved into the 21st Century and keep in touch by phone, emails and weekly Zoom meetings, the latter are both spiritual and social. Our current Charity is the Apostleship of the Sea,

for which we are busy knitting. We are a diverse friendly and supportive group.
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