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### COMMUNITY LIFE COMMUNIQUÉ

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To: Community Life Standing Committee Chair  
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This Committee is very new to me. I have never served on this even in my council. I'm hoping to learn a lot while trying to help you. If you have any information for me please forward it I would be so grateful.

We continue to read about Euthanasia and the probable Bill to be voted upon when the House of Commons resumes. Good article in the W.C.R. heads up ladies.

This year I am hoping to focus on Refugees, Immigration and Citizenship. Because of what's happening in our country, many of our refugees find themselves in poverty again. What is the solution? Are we improving their quality of life? Let's look at this carefully during the coming year, and see if there is more we can do.

Before you are able to read this Communiqué you will have probably read about the critical meeting of the G8 in Italy. We have one hundred million people who are going to bed hungry as the financial crisis wreaks its havoc around the globe. In the Edmonton journal we read about so many seniors who are facing poverty, most of which are women. This is affecting our very own neighbors. It should not be happening, inform your MLA and your MP, continue to fervently write letters.

The Canadian Catholic Bishops have written a letter to Hon Steven Harper regarding the World Poverty. Check your website under CCCB. Please write letters to your MP's, it is never too late. Make people aware in your community about poverty in this "world of plenty". Let's try to eliminate it. Please pray for this as it is truly crucial.

My dear sisters in Christ I want to thank you for having confidence in me and re-electing me to the Diocesan Executive. Please continue to pray for me, and please keep writing your letters.

For God and Canada  
*Lynne Calkins*  
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