

## ***HONOUR GUARD FOR CWL***

- ❖ Approximately 10 minutes before the funeral the leader makes an announcement inviting the CWL members to join together at the altar as an Honour Guard for their deceased sister.
- ❖ Once all are at the altar the leader starts saying a decade of the Rosary with those present.
- ❖ When finished the decade the honour guard remains standing in silence as the pall is placed on the casket if it has not already been done. If there is a procession and the casket enters at that time the honour guard waits until the funeral personnel have returned to the entrance of the church then they return to their seats.
- ❖ When the pall has been placed on the casket the leader places a CWL stole on the pall. This can take place at the front entrance or once the remains are at the altar.
- ❖ The priest will introduce the leader when it is time to do the prayer service.
- ❖ At the conclusion of the prayer service the leader places a red rose on the casket and returns to her seat.
- ❖ **Note: If there are ashes (urn) they are usually in place prior to the start of Mass...** The honour guard would after the decade of the rosary stand in silence for a few minutes and then return to our seats.
- ❖ After the prayer service the leader would place the red rose on the table in front of or beside the urn and return to her seat.

❖ **The CWL members should wear their scarves and/or funeral stoles.**

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