

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THOUGHTS FOR SOWING

HE IS WITH US

Do not let your hearts be troubled.

John 14:1

So often in the last year, our hearts have been troubled. We continue to grieve our former lives. We are saddened by the loss of civility in our nation, by the loss of jobs and loss of loved ones. So much has changed so quickly in fundamental ways that have affected us all.

Yet Jesus assures us he is with us. He has not changed; he has never left us. We can count on him. His loving words to his disciples and to us are so full of tenderness and compassion, we cannot help but be comforted by them. In faith, we step out to embrace our changed lives, following his way, his truth and the new resurrected life he holds out to us. Whenever you feel confused, anxious or full of dismay, hear him speaking these words to you.

As the many parts of the Body of Christ here on earth, let us reassure one another with that same benevolence, that same steadfast love.

Jennifer Christ

From: **LIVING FAITH**

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, June 21st – 8:20am

For Departed Souls

Requested by Tellis family

Wednesday, June 23rd – 7:00pm

Special Intention for VIVIAN TELLIS

Requested by the Family

Thursday, June 24th – 8:20am

✠ **FRANK & MARY GACULA**

Requested by Ivanka Jakopin

Friday, June 25th – 8:20am

✠ **DELPHINE BARTHOLOMEUSZ**

Requested by the Family

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun. June 20 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Guest homilist: Fr. Michael Lehman, CSB

- **HAPPY FATHER'S DAY to all our Fathers!**

Sun. June 27 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Homilist: Deacon Robert Kinghorn

Tues. June 29 No 9:00am Mass at St. Eugene's

Wed. June 30 No 7:00pm Mass at St. Eugene's

Thurs. July 1 154TH CANADA DAY!

- **8:20 am Mass** at St. Margaret's Church
- **No 9:00am Mass** at St. Eugene's Chapel
- **Parish Office Closed** for Holiday

Fri. July 2 No 12:00nn Mass at St. Eugene's Chapel

- **Parish Office Closed** "Gone Fishing"!

Sun. July 4 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Homilist: Fr. Andy Macbeth

NEWS REGARDING ST. EUGENE'S CHAPEL

Announcement from Fr. MacDonald:

At the end of June I will be leaving Toronto for Montreal, to begin a period of discernment with the Sulpicians, which is a society of priests who live in community. I am privileged to be given this opportunity and very grateful to His Eminence Cardinal Collins for supporting this venture. Unfortunately, it means I must bid farewell to a community I've quickly grown to love. Despite the challenges of the pandemic, I've loved every moment of being at St Eugene's. You will always remain a treasure in my heart. Toronto remains my spiritual home and so I will be back frequently to see you. Thank-you for your generosity, your kindness, your friendship, your service and most of all for your FAITH!!! I also thank the staff of St. Margaret's, Cheryll and Richard who have been absolutely wonderful to work with and of course, Fr. Andy Macbeth who has been a superb example of unwavering dedication to his parish. May the Lord continue to bless you all! ~ Fr. Alexander.

The community at St. Eugene's Chapel and St. Margaret's, wishes Fr. Alexander MacDonald all the very best as he begins a new era in his ministry.

WE WELCOME OUR NEW ASSOCIATE PASTOR AS OF JULY 1ST

We want to welcome our New Associate Pastor, **FR. LUI SANTI, C.PP.S.** Fr. Lui belongs to the religious community of the **Missionaries of the Precious Blood**, commonly referred to as, **The Precious Blood Fathers**. He was ordained in 1994, he is a former pastor of **St. Roch's Parish** on Islington Ave., and has been serving in the Archdiocese for many years. More information from Fr. Lui will be posted in the coming weeks. **Welcome Fr. Lui!**

During the transition period there will be **No Masses at St. Eugene's Chapel, Monday June 28th – Friday July 2nd**

Fr. Lui's first weekend at St. Eugene's Chapel will be on July 3rd & 4th
NB Masses will be celebrated at St. Margaret's at the scheduled times.

A BIG THANK YOU

You may have noticed the beautiful colourful flowers growing in the planters around the Church, Rectory & Hall. These are the result of much work done by two "Gardening Angels"! We want to thank **Cherie Zuzarte & Brenda Aquilina**, for all their efforts in purchasing, planning, planting & caring for, these wonderful additions to our parish grounds.

Thank you ladies for coming forth and contributing in such a positive way to your parish family.



UPDATED PANDEMIC INFORMATION

Daily and Weekend Masses at St. Margaret's Church and St. Eugene's Chapel have resumed at the regular scheduled times that are posted on the front of our bulletin. However the amended restriction for all sacramental celebrations is **15% of our capacity**. For **St. Margaret's** that is **75 persons** and **St. Eugene's** that is **30 persons**. This of course requires that all **physical distancing and the wearing of masks must be maintained** as part of the ongoing pandemic protocols.

Please note: Seating at all Masses continues to be on **"A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS"!

THANK YOU FOR MAKING A GIFT TO YOUR PARISH

Our Parish is where we are married and bring our children to be baptized. It is where we come to be fed in the Holy Eucharist, be reconciled with God and the world, and hope to leave this world on our final journey to meet the God that we love.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JUNE 13, 2021

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| Offertory | \$3,382 | PAG | \$925 |
| Budget | \$8,300 | | (\$3,993) |

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

DADS ARE GOOD

It's Father's Day month, so I'm here to tell you what Dads are good for.

Dads are good for teaching you how to bait a hook.

Dads are good for telling a great-aunt you don't want to be kissed in public.

Dads are good for teaching boys how to treat girls.
Dads are good for letting you run the mowers while mom is sitting on the porch praying.
Dads are good for showing you how to throw a baseball, catch a football and shoot a basketball.
Dads are good for carrying you when you're tired and your mom won't stop shopping.
Dads are good for lowering the newspaper and looking at you with special look.
Dads are good for helping you learn to ride a bike – without training wheels.
Dads are good for answers that nobody else has.
Dads are good for helping moms understand why you can't be clean all the time.
Dads are good for these things and so much more.

This Father's Day, let your dad know you love him!

A BLESSING PRAYER FOR FATHERS

Blessed are You, Lord and Father of all life, Who has given us the gift of the father of our family. Today we honour him.

His love for us has been a sign of Your divine affection and a sharing in Your holy love.

Bless him this day with Your strength and grace that he may continue to be a sign of Your presence and a priestly parent to our family.

May we who are part of this family assist him by our respect, obedience and care.

Bless him, Lord, with happiness and health, peace and prosperity, so that he may live in harmony with all your people.

Receive into your eternal kingdom all our fathers who have gone to their rest.

Grant them life forever, as they gave us life here on this earth.

We ask this prayer in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

YOU BECOME YOUR FATHER AT 37

A survey says the average guy starts turning into his father at age 37.

Here are the top 10 signs you're turning into your dad:

1. You start taking grilling very seriously
2. You fix things instead of just replacing them.
3. You start telling "dad jokes"
4. You tell your kids to "ask your mother."
5. You fall asleep on the couch watching sports.
6. You grunt getting up off the couch

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7. You mute commercials
8. You love to mow the lawn
9. You don't like it when other people touch the thermostat
10. You finish the leftover food on everyone's plates

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1st Reading: Job 38.1-4, 8-11++

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 5.14-17

Gospel: Mark 4.35-41 – *Jesus Stills a Storm*

Riding Through the Storms

Life, by its very nature, is filled with storms and difficulties. More than once in the Gospel do we hear about Jesus calming a storm. In the Gospel passage today we are invited to reflect on the account of Jesus asleep on the boat while the storm raged all around.

We can use our imagination to create the scene of this episode in our minds. Presumably the storm was violent and loud, yet the Lord did not rise from his sleep. Moreover, the disciples in their panic-stricken state were likely yelling and making noise as they tried to steer the boat through the waves. Lastly, the intensity of the storm likely meant that waves, wind and rain would have been beating against Jesus' sleeping body, yet he remained asleep. However, when the disciples turned to Jesus for help, Jesus immediately wakes up and calms the storm with three words: "Peace! Be still!"

In the midst of the storms of our lives, when we think we are all alone, we should realize that Jesus is with us through it all. Instead of panicking, we should strive to be still and peacefully take the time to turn to God and ask for help. This should be the first thing we do before we even try to solve the problem ourselves. Being a merciful and loving Father, God will not delay in coming to our aid.

Summary

In Gospel today we hear the account of Jesus asleep on the boat despite a harrowing storm raging all around. Jesus slept through the wind, waves, rain, and noise, but awoke immediately when the disciples came to Him for help. In the midst of the storms of our lives, when we think we are all alone, we should turn to Jesus for help and He will speedily come to our aid.

From: **STEWARDSHIP**

ONGOING DIRECTIVES

1. The **parish office is closed to the public – limited essential appointments only**. Please contact us by phone only on: Monday, Tuesday, Friday 9:00am – 12noon, 1:00pm – 4:00pm or any day by e-mail at stmargaretofscotland@archtoronto.org
2. **UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION**
Obviously due to the present restrictions, it becomes even more important to have the e-mail addresses of as many parishioners as possible. If you or you know anyone who may not have already informed the parish office of your e-mail address, we strongly encourage you to contact the parish office during the above scheduled times!
3. **Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) by appointment only**
4. **The Church dispensation** from attending Sunday Eucharist, for all the faithful, who are unable to attend Sunday Mass, continues throughout the covid-19 pandemic.

LET'S KEEP IN TOUCH!

We will continue to update you as the situation evolves, via our website and parish blast. We pray that you and your loved ones remain safe and healthy. May God continue to bless you now and always!

RE-SCHEDULING CELEBRATIONS OF SACRAMENTS FROM 2020 & 2021

For all families, whose children were to celebrate sacraments in 2020 or 2021, this is to let you know that, we are starting to make plans for the **Fall of 2021** and the **Spring of 2022**.

It is **very important**, for all families concerned, to have completed a **Registration Form** for each particular sacrament, **including your email address!** Beginning in late August, we will be forwarding information to all registered families, via your email address.

NB If your child, has not already completed the necessary registration forms for: Confirmation in 2020, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist or Confirmation in 2021, you need to contact the parish office, as soon as possible, to have your email on our list, for the upcoming information.

Parish office hours: Mon., Tues., & Fri.

9am – 12nn, 1pm – 4pm

SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2021

Our Second and Third ShareLife Instalments are postponed until October.

“These uncertain times are especially difficult for addiction clients. Our programs would not be open without ShareLife donors, Through your support we are able to dramatically reduce social isolation for men and women living with mental health and addictions.”

— Robin Griller, St. Michael’s Homes

Please also remember that organizations are also there to help you. If you, your family or other loved ones are in need of support from the services of a ShareLife funded agency, visit sharelife.org and click on the “Need Help?” button.

Many thanks to all the generous supporters of our parish’s ShareLife campaign.

Please make your sacrificial gift through the parish office or at sharelife.org please give generously.

2021 YTD \$19,499 Goal \$150,000

| Previous Results | Amount | Donors |
|------------------|----------------|------------|
| 2020 | 138,138 | 395 |
| 2019 | 148,555 | 821 |
| 2018 | 140,836 | 814 |
| 2017 | 146,628 | 802 |



Dear friends,

We don’t need to tell you how difficult parenting has become during the pandemic – many of you are experiencing this firsthand!

On top of the challenges all parents are facing, many teen mothers lack supportive partners and family members, and are juggling parenting with completing their high school education. Research is showing that they are increasingly suffering from anxiety, depression and loneliness during COVID-19. This has serious implications for child development and parent-infant bonding.

Thanks to your support of ShareLife, agencies across the Archdiocese of Toronto are there for these women. One of

these agencies, Rose of Sharon, has given a helping hand to more than 350 mothers and babies in the past year, delivering over 710 care packages and providing 550 hours of telephone support. Emma was just one of the young women you helped through Rose of Sharon:

Emma came to us looking for support. She attended our live nutrition and health webinar when her little daughter was only two days old. Emma said she did not feel so alone when she could see others. She learned some new things and she felt reassured when she could see the smiles on the faces of the staff. She was so grateful for being able to reach out to us to share her joys, her worries, and her future.

While some aspects of life are returning to normal, parenting will remain a huge challenge for moms like Emma. You can make it a bit easier for them by giving to the ShareLife Parish Campaign.

On behalf of our agencies, and the mothers they serve like Emma, we’re immensely grateful your continued support.

Arthur Peters
Executive Director

Introducing the ShareLife Podcast



Staff from ShareLife agencies witness firsthand the lives you’ve changed through your generosity. The new ShareLife Podcast features their stories, along with their insights on the issues facing poor and marginalized people in our communities.

On the pilot episode, we discuss the mental health crisis facing our youth. Our guest Amanda Fellows from Catholic Family Services of Simcoe County explains why so many young people have been struggling during the pandemic, and shares how this agency has been making a measurable impact in their lives.

We invite you to listen to the first episode, available however you enjoy your podcasts.

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- [Spotify, Google Podcasts and other platforms](#)

CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES OF TORONTO'S ONLINE SESSIONS

Catholic Family Services of Toronto is now offering online quick access single sessions. The single-session consultation is a quick and effective way for individuals, couples or families to address a mental health or relationship concern.

Clients who are interested in pursuing other or additional services in the agency have the option to access our ongoing counselling, wellness or group programs. Counselling fees are charged according to a client’s income level. No one is denied service because of his/her inability to pay fees.

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Online Quick Access Single Session Counselling For Individuals, Couples & Families

Catholic Family Services of Toronto is now offering
Online Quick Access Single Sessions.

To arrange for a session, please email info@cfstoronto.com
or call 416 921-1163 or 416 222-0048. Leave us a message with your
name, email and phone number, and a staff person will contact you.

Catholic Family Services of Toronto is a Catholic Charities member agency supported by ShareLife.



CONFÉRENCE DES ÉVÊQUES CATHOLIQUES DU CANADA
CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS

June 10, 2021

CCCB Statement Delegation to the Holy See

The Catholic Bishops in Canada have genuinely heard the sincere invitation to engage wholeheartedly with the past and are deeply committed to take truly meaningful active steps together with Indigenous Peoples in view of a future filled with greater respect and cooperation. The recent discovery of children's remains at a burial site of a former residential school in Kamloops, British Columbia remind us of a tragic legacy still felt today. With the strong encouragement of Pope Francis, the Bishops of Canada have pledged true and deep commitment to renewing and strengthening relationships with Indigenous Peoples across the land. In recent years, regional and diocesan listening circles have taken place across the country in order to hear the stories from local Indigenous communities and their hopes for the future. Mutual listening is the beginning of our common efforts to bring about shared and long-lasting reconciliation, authentic healing and bridge building.

In conversation with Indigenous people and communities, both at the local and national levels, and bilaterally with the First Nations, Métis and Inuit national organizations, the Bishops, sponsors of this project, have been preparing, for over two years now, a

delegation of Indigenous people to meet with the Holy Father to foster meaningful encounters of dialogue and healing. This pastoral visit will include the participation of a diverse group of Elders/Knowledge Keepers, residential school survivors and youth from across the country. The event will likewise provide Pope Francis with a unique opportunity to hear directly from Indigenous Peoples, express his heartfelt closeness, address the impact of colonization and the implication of the Church in the residential schools, so as to respond to the suffering of Indigenous Peoples and the ongoing effects of intergenerational trauma.

The global pandemic caused by COVID-19 has stalled this project; however, the Bishops remain committed to moving forward with the delegation prior to the end of 2021, in compliance with international travel guidelines.

The delegation to the Holy See represents an important step on the journey of reconciliation and shared healing for Indigenous Peoples and the Church in Canada. Pope Francis, in his 6 June 2021 Angelus message, spoke about the shocking discovery of children's remains at the former Kamloops residential school and, while conveying sorrow and solidarity, emphasized the importance of "walking side by side in dialogue and in mutual respect in the recognition of the rights and cultural values of all the sons and daughters of Canada". It is our hope that these forthcoming encounters – and the important collaboration and partnership that has supported the planning – will lead to a shared future of peace and harmony between Indigenous Peoples and the Catholic Church in Canada.

May 31, 2021

Statement from the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops following the recent discovery at the former Kamloops Indian Residential School on the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc First Nation

On behalf of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB), I express our deepest sorrow for the heartrending loss of the children at the former Kamloops Indian Residential School on the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc First Nation.

The news of the recent discovery is shocking. It rekindles trauma in numerous communities across this land. Honouring the dignity of the lost little ones demands that the truth be brought to light.

This tragedy profoundly impacts Indigenous

communities, with whom many people across this land and throughout the world now stand in solidarity.

As we see ever more clearly the pain and suffering of the past, the Bishops of Canada pledge to continue walking side by side with Indigenous Peoples in the present, seeking greater healing and reconciliation for the future.

We lift up prayers to the Lord for the children who have lost their lives and pledge our close accompaniment of Indigenous families and communities.

May our Creator God bless all of us with consolation and hope.

+ Richard Gagnon
Archbishop of Winnipeg and
President of the Canadian Conference
of Catholic Bishops

STATEMENT FROM CARDINAL COLLINS, ARCHBISHOP OF TORONTO re DISCOVERY OF CHILDREN'S REMAINS AT FORMER KAMLOOPS RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL

June 3, 2021

"If one member suffers, all suffer together with it."

(1 Cor 12:26)



In recent days, the country has been shocked, saddened and angered by the discovery of the remains of 215 children in unmarked graves who attended a residential school in Kamloops, British Columbia. We pray for the children who died in Kamloops and in residential schools throughout the country – they must not be forgotten. We must also recognize the betrayal of trust by many Catholic leaders who were responsible for operating residential schools, abandoning their obligation to care for young and innocent children.

We all seek the truth and this tragic discovery provides yet another opportunity for us to learn more about this dark chapter in our history and the painful journey experienced by so many of our Indigenous brothers and sisters.

There is much more work to be done. Since the 1990's, many of the Catholic entities responsible for the operation of residential schools have apologized publicly for their actions and have journeyed together with victims on the path to truth and reconciliation. This includes the Oblates of Mary Immaculate, the religious order that operated the residential school in Kamloops, which over the weekend again apologized for its role in the residential school system. Pope Benedict XVI also had the chance to meet with Indigenous leaders in 2009 to personally express his sorrow and anguish.

These actions do not erase our history; they acknowledge our past, force us to face the consequences of our behaviour and compel us to ensure that our sins are not repeated.

While the Archdiocese of Toronto did not operate residential schools, we join with the Indigenous peoples, the Catholic community and Canadians from coast to coast to coast in a period of collective grief for those who are physically, emotionally and spiritually wounded. This Sunday, I will offer Mass for those who died or were abused at residential schools and for all those who deal with the intergenerational trauma caused by this system. We must also continue to build on the tangible initiatives present throughout the country, like the Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle, where bishops and priests, women religious, laity and Indigenous peoples are committed to walking together on a path to reconciliation.

As I have stated previously when speaking of abuse in the Church, the real scandal is when evil festers in the darkness. Once in the open, evil can be rooted out. That must happen. Then new life can begin. Let us journey together to find light through the darkness once again. Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, pray for us.

+ *Thomas Card. Collins*

Thomas Collins
Archbishop of Toronto

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS REGARDING RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS – JUNE 2021

There has been considerable media coverage and discussion in recent days following the discovery of children's remains at the former residential school in Kamloops, British Columbia. The discovery has reopened a painful wound for many in our country and has identified the need for all Canadians to learn more about our history, the role of residential schools as part of that journey and to seek the truth regarding all those who suffered and continue to do so to this day.



Archdiocese
of Toronto

The abuse of Indigenous peoples is a dark chapter in the history of Canada and the Catholic Church. While the Church has cared for and served Indigenous people in many ways, it is undeniable that some members of the Church undermined the dignity of First Nations people. There is evidence that much of this abuse occurred at residential schools, which were largely operated by Christian denominations.

This communication is intended to provide some context and address some frequently asked questions about this important issue. We must all join in the collective efforts on the path to healing and reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.

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1. I am deeply troubled by the discovery of children's remains in Kamloops on the site of a former residential school. Who operated the school?

The discovery of 215 unmarked graves in late May 2021 will require further investigation to help seek the truth of who these children were, how they died and how they were buried so far from home. The school was built and initially operated by the federal government, opening in 1890. In 1892, the federal government asked a Catholic order, the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, to take over operations, which they did until 1969. The federal government resumed operations of the school from 1969 until its closure in 1979.

The religious order issued a formal apology in 1991 in addition to paying settlements to residential school survivors. An excerpt of the apology reads as follows:

"We wish to apologize in a very particular way for the instances of physical and sexual abuse that occurred in those schools...Far from attempting to defend or rationalize these cases of abuse in any way, we wish to state publicly that we acknowledge they were inexcusable, intolerable and a betrayal of trust in one of its most serious forms. We deeply and very specifically, apologize to every victim of such abuse and we seek help in searching for means to bring about healing."

2. Is the Catholic Church assisting with the efforts to seek the truth in Kamloops and elsewhere?

Father Ken Thorson, current Superior of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, has reached out to the Tk'emlups te Secwépemc Chief Rosanne Casimir to offer assistance and to express sympathies following the discovery of the remains of 215 children on the grounds of the former school. Father Thorson has communicated that records from the Kamloops Indian Residential School are with the Royal British Columbia Museum and has indicated the order will assist in sharing any information regarding records at this and other locations where the order operated schools.

Among the groups of dioceses and religious communities that operated residential schools, there is a spirit of cooperation with Indigenous peoples with regards to personal records and information relating to the former schools. At the same time, there are also privacy rights, including those of Indigenous peoples who attended these schools, which need to be taken into consideration on a case by case basis.

3. Why aren't we hearing an apology from the Catholic Church in Canada?

There is no such entity as the Catholic Church of Canada. Each Catholic diocese and religious order is an independent legal entity. Despite this reality, in 1991, Canadian Catholic Bishops, along with leaders of men and women religious communities, issued a statement that "We

are sorry and deeply regret the pain, suffering and alienation that so many experienced" at residential schools. Approximately 16 out of 70 Roman Catholic dioceses in Canada were associated with the former residential schools, in addition to about three dozen out of over one hundred Catholic institutes (commonly referred to as religious orders). Each diocese and institute is corporately and legally responsible for its own actions.

Many of the dioceses or orders operating schools have offered apologies, dating back to the early 1990s. In recent days, many bishops throughout Canada have offered statements and introduced other initiatives to continue our ongoing path to truth and reconciliation.

A listing of some of the numerous apologies and other resources can be found at:

www.cccb.ca/indigenouspeoples/indian-residential-schools-andtrc/

4. Did the Archdiocese of Toronto operate residential schools?

The Archdiocese of Toronto did not operate residential schools yet we share the collective grief and sorrow as the result of any representative of the Catholic Church inflicting pain or abuse on an individual, especially vulnerable children.

5. Have Indigenous leaders met with the Pope?

Yes, in 2009, the National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations, Phil Fontaine, along with other Indigenous representatives, had a moving encounter with Pope Benedict XVI at the Vatican. In describing the meeting, Chief Fontaine told the media he hoped the expression of regret would "close the book" on the issue of apologies for residential school survivors.

Another attendee at the meeting with Pope Benedict, Edward John, Grand Chief of the First Nations Summit in British Columbia, said the Pope acknowledged the suffering of those who are still living with the effects of their experiences at the schools. In comments to the media he said, "I think in that sense, there was that apology that we were certainly looking for."

The Catholic Church continues to work alongside and with Indigenous communities in order to foster an ongoing culture of reconciliation. There have been, and continue to be, numerous initiatives by Catholic dioceses, institutes and organizations throughout Canada to assist with support the ongoing healing and reconciliation journey.

6. I understand there was a formal request in the Truth and Reconciliation Commission report for the Pope to personally apologize in Canada?

The Holy Father has already been invited to Canada by the present and previous Prime Minister. The Catholic Bishops of Canada, including the current and past Presidents

of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, have assured the Pope they would joyfully and gratefully welcome him in a visit to Canada. Likewise, in a number of instances, Canadian Bishops, individually and collectively, have formally invited Pope Francis to visit, including with specific reference to Call to Action #58 (a recommendation of the 2015 Truth & Reconciliation Commission asking the Holy Father to apologize on Canadian soil within one year of the report being issued).

Pope Francis has encouraged the Bishops to continue taking leadership and assuming their proper role in pursuing their pastoral engagement and reconciliation efforts with Indigenous peoples, including ongoing conversations among the Bishops and Elders. This work builds on past apologies, dialogue and the desire to move forward together.

A formal papal visit involves a number of steps from both government and church leadership as well as significant logistical, financial commitments and other considerations. No papal visit has been publicly announced at this time.

7. Will the Catholic Church pay financial reparations to those harmed by residential schools?

The Catholic entities that operated residential schools were part of the 2006 Indian Residential School Settlement Agreement (IRSSA).

The Holy See and the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops were never involved in running the former schools. The "Roman Catholic Entities" named as parties in the IRSSA were legally deemed to have fulfilled the requirements of the settlement agreement by a judicial review. Following this review, the former Conservative government released the entities from further obligations – a decision which the present Liberal government did not appeal.

The 50 or so individual entities which signed the IRSSA paid:

- i. **\$29 million in cash** (less legal costs);
- ii. **more than the required \$25 million of "in-kind" contributions**; and
- iii. an additional **\$3.7 million** from a "best efforts" campaign.

Those same entities, together with other dioceses, institutes and national Catholic organizations, continue to be involved in efforts across the country to provide in-kind contributions, which go well beyond the scope of the Indian Residential School Settlement Agreement.

8. Where can I find additional resources?

Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle is a Catholic coalition of Indigenous people, bishops, lay movements, clergy and institutes of consecrated life, engaged in renewing and fostering relationships between the Catholic Church and Indigenous Peoples in Canada. For more information visit:


www.ourladyofguadalupecircle.ca

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in these challenging times...

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TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH BY PAT MARRIN

"If you consider me a believer in the Lord, come and stay at my home" (Acts 16:15).

Acts 16:11-15

As the Easter season approaches Ascension and Pentecost, we are reminded that the birth of the church was really a generational process of expansion into the world involving many people. St. Paul's stop in Philippi was blessed by meeting a woman named Lydia, who invited him to stay at her house. Her baptism provided a home base for the expansion of the Gospel in Macedonia that facilitated entry into the Roman world. She was a woman of means and her support was significant for the spread of the church. She was one of many women named in Acts and in Paul's letters as fellow ministers of the Gospel and sponsors of house churches.



Building on the crucial role women played as the original witnesses to the death and resurrection of Jesus and as the first evangelists to the Apostles, it is no exaggeration to say that, humanly speaking at least, there might have been no church without the women. Their inconsolable grief at Jesus' death and their refusal to let go of him helped shape the context of hope and expectation into which the glorious response of God was then revealed. They affirmed the foundation of that deepest of all intuitions in the human

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heart, that truth and justice always win in the end and that love is stronger than death.

The fourth Gospel draws on that faith manifested by the Resurrection. As persecution sharpened the risks of discipleship late in the first century, the memory of Jesus' words about the Advocate came true. The Holy Spirit of Jesus would take the church from the historical moment of the Christ Event into the Age of Pentecost, the great spiritual harvest of the graces given and scriptural promises fulfilled. The Gospel writers moved the narratives of Jesus' life, death and resurrection into vital manuals of how to follow him, drawing on St. Paul's profound spirituality of union with Jesus as the continuation of his redemptive ministry in the world and in history.

To remember Jesus is to make him present. To share the Scriptures, both ancient and current, and to break the bread and share the cup at Eucharist is to become the Body of Christ, filled with his Spirit and sent to evangelize the world. Lydia's words to Paul remind us that global evangelization began in the home. She heard his words, then invited him to stay at her house. Faith begins in the heart, then deepens with hospitality and availability, then in small acts of courage and risk. She did not know that her threshold would be the threshold for the Gospel into the Roman colonies and imperial culture that would first try to stem this new Way and then become its doorway to Christendom.

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experience, but we know there's still work to do. In the coming months, we hope to continue improving the site that it best serves how we communicate with you.

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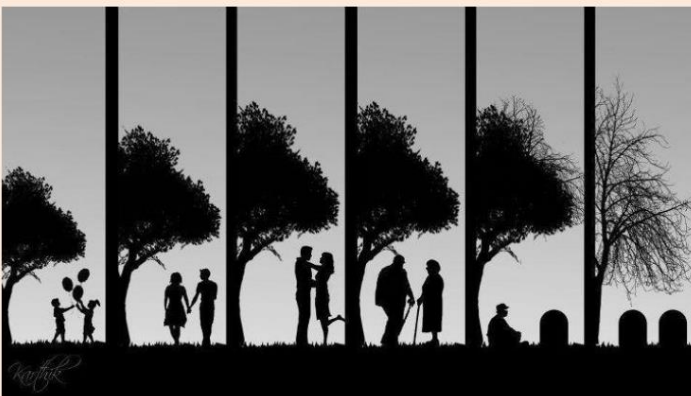
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I feel like my body has gotten totally out of shape, so I got my doctor's permission to join a fitness club and start exercising.

I decided to take an aerobics class for seniors.

I bent, twisted, gyrated, jumped up and down, and perspired for an hour.

But, by the time I got my leotards on, the class was over.