



Message from the Director of Education and Chair of the Board

“Renewing the Promise” **Celebrating Catholic Education Week**

May 6 - 11, 2018

Toronto Catholic District School Board schools are communities of faith where Catholic beliefs are integrated into the total learning experience. Each Catholic school is a unique, faith-centered community where students’ intellectual, physical and spiritual growth is inspired and nurtured.

As the largest publicly-funded Catholic school board in the world, the Toronto Catholic District School Board has a rich history of tradition and partnership with our Catholic community. Our Catholic schools continue to thrive because of the shared commitment of our parent, parish and school communities, who continuously work to “renew the promise”. Catholic Education Week is a special reminder that publicly-funded Catholic education is a call to service, and it is our duty to bring the message of Jesus Christ into the lives of the students we are privileged to serve.

In this Year of the School, we recognize the larger Catholic community that contributes to our students’ education and faith formation. We are so grateful to the parents, guardians, grandparents, neighbours, friends, and individuals from our parishes that make up the faith community that is so integral to the religious education of our students. As our three-year pastoral plan suggests, we are truly blessed to have the Family, Parish and School working “Together With One Voice” for our students.

Our Mission compels us to educate students to grow in grace and knowledge and to lead lives of faith, hope and charity. Catholic Education Week turns our focus to the good that is inherent in our faith and in our school communities and invites us to celebrate the many accomplishments of our students, staff, parents, parishes and all others who contribute to our schools and school system.

The week begins with our annual Awards Night celebrating outstanding achievements, and continues with countless celebrations of our Catholic faith and excellence in education,

including a student-led province-wide Mass. We will also celebrate the culmination of the Year of the School, along with the launch of our new Three Year Pastoral Plan.

We thank everyone in our TCDSB community for the part that you play in shaping our Catholic school communities and we wish all of you a happy Catholic Education Week!

Sincerely,

Rory McGuckin
Director of Education

Barbara Poplawski
Chair of the Board