



THIS IS THE DAY,  
THE LORD HAS MADE.  
LET US REJOICE AND  
BE GLAD.

~ PSALM 118:24 ~

- GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR EVERY DAY HE GIVES US.
- IF WE EXPECT OTHERS TO BE GRATEFUL FOR WHAT WE DO, WE SHOULD SHOW APPRECIATION TO OTHERS.
- EVERYTHING WE HAVE TO BE THANKFUL FOR COMES FROM GOD.
- REMEMBER THE STORY OF THE LEPERS WHO JESUS HEALED AND THINK OF HOW MANY RETURNED TO SHOW THEIR GRATITUDE.

GRATITUDE



## Thanksgiving Day Message from the Director of Education and Chair of the Board

During the month of October, we focus on the virtue of gratitude, and all that we have to be thankful for.

At TCDSB, we extend our heartfelt thanks to our school board family--all of the educators, administrators, support staff, parents, students and pastors--for their continued commitment to publicly funded Catholic education. Our Catholic schools continue to flourish and benefit from this partnership, which is evidenced through the wonderful and meaningful work produced by our students, staff and school communities each and every day.

Many of our students and staff have started the school year with social justice initiatives echoing Jesus' call to serve others who suffer injustice. We thank in particular, the school communities who supported charitable fundraisers for humanitarian aid in Syria. A number of our students held 'Toonie Tuesday' fundraising drives, organized special civvies days, and came up with other innovative ways to raise funds to help our brothers and sisters impacted by the continued devastation in that region. We are truly grateful for your compassion and good citizenship.

As we prepare for the celebration of Thanksgiving this weekend, it is our hope that we take some time to reflect on our blessings and give thanks for all that we have.

On behalf of the Trustees and senior team of the Toronto Catholic District School Board, we wish you and your loved ones a safe, happy and blessed Thanksgiving weekend.

*Return thanks for what God has bestowed on us. St. Alphonsus Liguori*

Sincerely,

**Angela Gauthier**  
Director of Education

**Ann Andrachuk**  
Chair of the Board