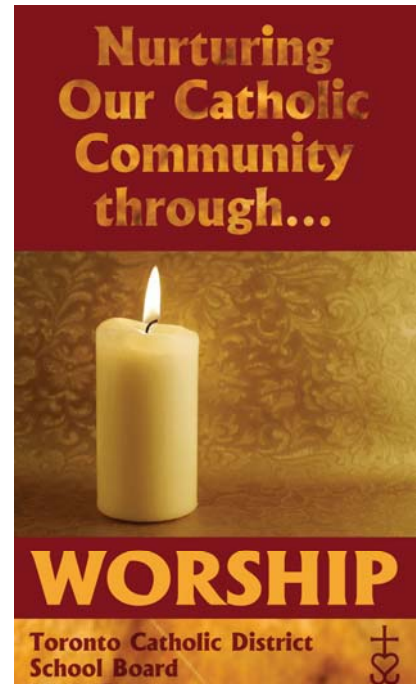


Scripture Quotes on the Virtue of Hospitality

- ❖ Whatsoever you do to the least of my people, that you do unto me. (Matthew 25:40)

- ❖ But even though my condition tempted you to reject me, you did not despise me or turn me away. No, you took me in and cared for me as though I were an angel from God or even Christ Jesus himself. (Galatians 4:14)

- ❖ Welcome him with Christian love and with great joy, and give him the honour that people like him deserve. (Philippians 2:29)



General Quotes on the Virtue of Hospitality

- ❖ “Only those who have opened their hearts to Christ can offer a hospitality that is never formal or superficial but identified by gentleness and reverence.” Pope John Paul II

- ❖ “The German word for hospitality is Gastfreundschaft which means friendship for the guest.... It means the creation of a free space where the stranger can enter and become a friend instead of an enemy.”
— Henri J. M. Nouwen

- ❖ “Hospitality is the virtue which allows us to break through the narrowness of our own fears and to open our houses to the stranger, with the intuition that salvation comes to us in the form of a tired traveler. Hospitality makes anxious disciples into powerful witnesses, makes suspicious owners into generous givers, and makes close-minded sectarians into interested recipients of new ideas and insights.”
— Henri J. M. Nouwen in *Ministry and Spirituality*

- ❖ How should one live? Welcoming to all.
— Mechtild of Magdeburg quoted in *Open Mind* by Diane Mariechild