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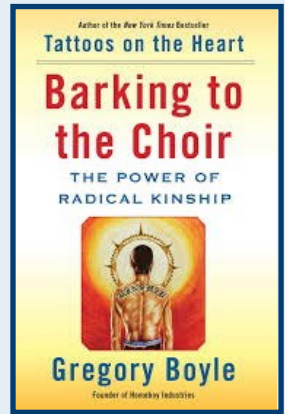
**Celebrating
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**Michael Carty Award
& Michael Monk
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winners share their
successes**



**Fr. Greg Boyle
coming to UofT
St. Michael's College
April 21, 2020**



Message from President Mary Eileen Donovan

Advent will be upon us as you receive this first newsletter for the 2019-20 School Year. Advent is an invitation to take a moment of pause to reflect and renew hope in the midst of the busyness of this time of year. As we reflect on the many blessings in our lives let us be grateful for the gift Catholic Education that we have been so diligent about promoting and protecting.

In October, thanks to the generous sponsorship of OCSOA, we ran a full -page article in the Catholic Register honouring our Catholic Student Award Winners from each of the Catholic Secondary Schools in Ontario as well as the Monk and Carty Award Winning Schools.

We were all very impressed by this year's Monk Award Project Winner, St. Francis Xavier in Ottawa. Their students and teachers designed Stations of the Cross with the Theme of Reconciliation. There are more details included in this newsletter and I invite you to consider this exemplary practice in your school communities.

We are very excited to continue our lecture series for the fourth year with our guest speaker, Father Greg Boyle on April 21, 2020. We thank our partner St. Michael's College, University of Toronto for generously hosting this event for us. Please mark the date in your calendars and look forward to seeing you there.

Our profound thanks to the Basilian Fathers for their incredibly generous donation of \$26,500 this past week. We are so grateful and will use these funds to acknowledge our outstanding Catholic students and school projects.

We are grateful for the on-going support of our association members, our university partners, and our Board of Directors.

Our hope is that Christmas will bring you and your loved ones the gifts joy, peace and love.



Message from Executive Director Don Walker

This has been a challenging time for education in Ontario. The decision to cancel the Fr. Fogarty Dinner was a very difficult one for the board of the Catholic Education Foundation of Ontario, because it is an opportunity for us to celebrate our student leaders from across Catholic high schools in the province. We are hopeful to re-ignite the dinner in October of 2020. We are grateful to the Ontario Supervisory Officers' Association of Ontario for their financial assistance that allowed us to purchase a full-page ad in the Catholic Register to announce all our Catholic Student award recipients, as well as the Carty and Monk Award winners.

Speaking of the Carty and Monk Award recipients, you can read their reports and learn about the tremendous things that are being done in their communities. We will be posting applications for the 2020 Carty and Monk Awards on our website (www.cefontoario.ca) early in February.

On April 21, 2020 CEFO, in partnership with St. Michael's College at the University of Toronto, will sponsor a public lecture featuring Fr. Gregory Boyle, sj. Fr. Greg spoke to new teachers in 2016 and we were so inspired that we wanted to have him return. Fr. Greg is the founder of Homeboys Industries – the largest gang intervention program in the United States. As a parish priest, he witnessed the devastating impact of gang violence on his community during the so-called “decade of death” that began in the late 1980s and peaked at 1,000 gang-related killings in 1992. In the face of law enforcement tactics and criminal justice policies of suppression and mass incarceration as the means to end gang violence, Father Boyle and parish and community members adopted what was a radical approach at the time: treat gang members as human beings.

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While the lecture is free, we will provide a link shortly in the new year to reserve seats as space is limited.

One of the cardinal virtues is hope, and one of the most incisive descriptions of hope comes from the editor of Sojourners magazine Jim Wallis, who wrote this on the 50th anniversary of the assassination of Martin Luther King, jr: “This reminds me of Hebrews 11:1 – ‘Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.’ Or to paraphrase that text, “Hope is believing in spite of the evidence, and then watching the evidence change.”



Celebrating Excellence in Catholic Education

The Ontario Catholic Supervisory Officers' Association (OCSOA) joins with the Catholic Education Foundation of Ontario (CEFO) in congratulating this year's Catholic Student Award recipients.

These students are recognized for their service to school,
church, and community.

Algonquin & Lakeshore CDSB

Holy Cross C.S.S. - Noah Matos
Nicholson Catholic College - Madelyn Lafferty
St. Theresa C.S.S. - Nicholas Kennelly
St. Paul C.S.S. - Haylee Morahan

Brant Haldimand Norfolk CDSB

Assumption College School - Katelin Ritter
Holy Trinity C.H.S. - Emily Boyd
St. John's College - Liam Culp

Bruce Grey CDSB

St. Mary's High School - Claire Hannusch

Dufferin Peel CDSB

Ascension of Our Lord C.S.S. - April Gortea
Cardinal Ambrozic C.S.S. - Natasha Polis
Father M. Goetz C.S.S. - Terence D'Souza
John Cabot C.S.S. - Sophia Trynoga
Holy Name of Mary C.S.S. - Sheanne Jesudhason
Iona C.S.S. - Imudia Alexander
Notre Dame C.S.S. - Pearl Hariri
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel C.S.S. - Krystal Mendonsa
Philip Pocock C.S.S. - Justine Pascual
St. Aloysius Gonzaga C.S.S. - Jardine Dacosta
St. Edmund Campion C.S.S. - Beshai Fady Moheb Ibrahim
St. Joan of Arc C.S.S. - Trinita Jude Hamilton
St. Joseph Secondary School - Matthew Krzyczewski
St. Michael C.S.S. - Kayla Carnide
St. Oscar Romero C.S.S. - Patria Tica
St. Roch C.S.S. - Renee Villanueva
St. Thomas Aquinas C.S.S. - Jordan Laffernis

CDSB of Eastern ON

Holy Trinity C.H.S. - Cody VanLoon
St. Francis Xavier C.H.S. - Cassidy Lafleche
St. John C.H.S. - Emma Jillian Kealy
St. Joseph's C.H.S. - Caroline Kupczyk
St. Matthew C.H.S. - Dylan Ryan

Durham CDSB

All Saints C.S.S. - Sofia Zamorano
Archbishop Denis O'Connor C.S.S. - Victoria Guzzo-Foliaro
Father Leo Austin C.S.S. - Aleksandra Zakrzewska
Monsignor Paul Dwyer C.S.S. - Angelica Ervine
Monsignor John Pereyma C.S.S. - Jaelah Marie Gooding
Notre Dame C.S.S. - Ciara Walsh
St. Mary C.S.S. - Marcus Niewa

Halton CDSB

Bishop Reding C.S.S. - Mateo Duran
Corpus Christi C.S.S. - Olivia Giacobbo
Holy Trinity C.S.S. - Maja Zbogar
Notre Dame C.S.S. - Shannon Campbell
St. Ignatius of Loyola C.S.S. - Jessica Bosnjak
St. Thomas Aquinas C.S.S. - Malika Bhambra
Christ the King C.S.S. - Jonathan Corbett

Hamilton-Wentworth CDSB

Bishop Ryan C.S.S. - Aidan Perry
Bishop Tonnos C.S.S. - Maggie Price
Cardinal Newman C.S.S. - Emily Stevens
Cathedral C.S.S. - Alessandra Vitalei
St. Jean de Brébeuf C.S.S. - Nolan Babin
St. Mary C.S.S. - Rachel Dennison
St. Thomas More C.S.S. - Aniello Michaelangelo Lombardi

Huron Perth CDSB

St. Anne's C.S.S. - Hannah Tait
St. Michael C.S.S. - Noah Runstedler

Kenora CDSB

St. Thomas Aquinas High School - Cambrya Swejda

London DCSB

Holy Cross C.S.S. - Reagan Sanders
Mother Teresa C.S.S. - Ryan Duffy
St. Joseph's Catholic High School - Luke Huver

Niagara CDSB

Blessed Trinity C.S.S. - Madison McKinney
Denis Morris C.S.S. - Rhys Whittard
Holy Cross C.S.S. - Olivia Parmigiani
Lakeshore C.S.S. - Caitlyn Vergara
Notre Dame College School - Madeleine Sviergula
Saint Francis C.S.S. - Hannah Dela Vega
St. Michael C.S.S. - Christine Tolentino
Saint Paul Catholic High School - Christopher Orr

Nipissing Parry Sound CDSB

St. Joseph-Scollard Hall - Megan Collins

Northeastern CDSB

O'Gorman C.S.S. - Lauren Doyle

Ottawa CDSB

All Saints High School - Aquila Rheault
Lester B. Pearson High School - Michael Weil
Mother Teresa High School - Jada Baptiste
Notre Dame High School - Jason Gonzalez
St. Joseph High School - Vincenzo Calla
St. Mark High School - Nadia Wilson
St. Patrick's High School - Jefferson Jr. Baytic

PVNC CDSB

Holy Cross C.S.S. - Alex Meinhardt
Holy Trinity C.S.S. - Kate Ste. Jean
St. Peter C.S.S. - Claire Corcoran
St. Thomas Aquinas C.S.S. - Trudy Blair
St. Stephen C.S.S. - Marina Figueira

Renfrew CDSB

Bishop Smith Catholic High School - Mitchel Holly
St. Joseph's Catholic High School - Noah James George Lesk

Simcoe Muskoka

Holy Trinity C.S.S. - Gianluca Tibbo
Patrick Fogarty C.S.S. - Cole Mawdsley
Jean Vanier C.S.S. - Thomas Hollingshead
St. Dominic C.S.S. - Emma Starratt
St. Joan of Arc High School - Gianluca Santaera
St. Joseph's C.S.S. - Isabella Scarsella
St. Peter's C.S.S. - Kayleigh Gionet
St. Theresa's High School - Mia Melchiorre
St. Thomas Aquinas C.S.S. - Emily Bruce

St. Clair CDSB

St. Patrick's Catholic High School - Zoe Grasse
Ursuline College Chatham - Lucas Rupert

Sudbury CDSB

Bishop Alexander Carter C.S.S. - Julia Gardner
Marymount Academy - Amy Godin
St. Benedict C.S.S. - Annika Renaud
St. Charles College - Katelyn Pichette

Thunder Bay CDSB

St. Ignatius High School - Alexandra Grillo St.
Patrick High School - Shaelynn Moorman

Toronto CDSB

Saint Oscar Romero C.S.S. - Bella Olmedo
& Julia Soares
Bishop Allen Academy - Dominic Nguyen

Bishop Marrocco/T. Merton C.S.S. - Sean Patrick Frias
Blessed Cardinal Newman C.S.S. - Martin Gomes
St. Mother Teresa Catholic Academy - Anika Datiles &
Grace-Anne Almeida

St. John Paul II C.S.S. - Brenda Pham
Brebeuf College School - Alexandru Mezmer
Cardinal Carter Academy for the Arts - Katherine Mader
Chaminade College School - Vincent Pham
Dante Alighieri Academy - Glocell Salting

Fr. Henry Carr C.S.S. Samantha - Rodrigues-De Zilwa Fr.
John Redmond C.S.S. - Jana Menalo

Francis Libermann C.S.S. - Marc Valmadrid
James Cardinal McGuigan C.S.S. - Peter Pham
Jean Vanier C.S.S. - Powell Ravishankar
Loretto Abbey - Olivia Maria Marinelli
Loretto College C.S.S. - Daniella Aguilar

Madonna C.S.S. - Milyn Pham
Marshall McLuhan C.S.S. - Nancy Ignoto
Mary Ward C.S.S. - Nimmy Ayekun

Michael Power/St. Joseph C.S.S. - David Nyugen Msgr.
Fraser College - Carlos Saldana

Msgr. Percy Johnson C.S.S. - Katherine Reyes
Neil McNeil C.S.S. - Erik Bouquillon

Notre Dame C.S.S. - Aliyah Maxine Ramos
Senator O'Connor College School - Lara De Jesus

St. Basil-the-Great College School - Sabina Goncalves St.
Joseph's College School - Grace Williams

St. Joseph's Morrow Park C.S.S. - Michelle Evelyn Valdez
St. Mary Catholic Academy - Nadia Woldegiorgis

St. Michael's Choir School - Robert Longo
St. Patrick C.S.S. - Christine Maicong

Waterloo CDSB

Msgr. Doyle C.S.S. - Alessia Montroy
St. Benedict - Bartek Bukowski
St. David - Elisa Haley
St. Mary's - Hannah Zmigrodzki
Resurrection C.S.S. - Monica McCullough

Wellington CDSB

Bishop Macdonell C.S.S. - Rextle Nazareno
Our Lady of Lourdes C.S.S. - Jose Eduardo Reynoso Cosillo
St. James C.S.S. - Matteo Spadafora

Windsor-Essex CDSB

Assumption College School - Jessica Rindlisbacher
F.J. Brennan C.H.S. - Jennifer Jaskiewicz
St. Thomas of Villanova C.H.S. - Megan Laporte

York CDSB

Fr. Bressani C.S.S. - Alexandra Da Silva
St. Joan of Arc C.S.S. - Michael Camara
St. Brother André C.H.S. - Joseph McConkey
St. Robert C.S.S. - Teresa Siby
St. Theresa of Lisieux C.S.S. - Virtues Serrano
Holy Cross C.S.S. - Giovanni De Lio
Our Lady of the Lake C.S.S. - Sakena Qaiser
St. Jean de Brebeuf C.S.S. - Anthony Nasso

Independent

St. Michael's College - David Sturino

CDSC Franco Nord

É.s.c. Algonquin - Adèle Chénier
É.s.c. Élisabeth-Bruyère - Preston Whalley

CDSC Nouvel ON

É.s.c. Champlain - Emily Whynott
École Notre-Dame-du-Sault - Cora Chambers
École secondaire du Sacré-Cœur - Vincent Bouffard Shea
É.s.c. Trillium - Nicolas Morin

Catholic Student Award recipients who have applied to and have been accepted by the following post-secondary Catholic institutions have been awarded scholarships of \$500: Brescia University College (University of Western Ontario), King's University College (University of Western Ontario), Loretto Residence (at the University of Toronto), St. Jerome's University (Waterloo University), University of St. Michael's College (University of Toronto). We gratefully acknowledge their partnership and generosity.

The Michael Carty Award recognizes school initiatives that improve, develop and enhance aspects of Catholic education that contribute to the whole person. CEFO is pleased to announce the following schools as the recipients of the Michael Carty Ward for 2019-2020:

- Bishop Alexander Carter Catholic Secondary School, Sudbury CDSB
- Bishop Macdonell Catholic High School, Wellington CDSB
- St. Augustine Catholic School, Ottawa CDSB
- Inter-school Leadership Summit, Durham CDSB
- St. Edmund Campion Catholic Secondary School, Dufferin Peel CDSB
- St. Mother Teresa Catholic Elementary School, Peterborough Victoria Northumberland Clarington CDSB
- St. Pius X High School, Ottawa CDSB
- St. Theresa Catholic School, Nipissing-Parry Sound CDSB

The Michael Monk Award honours a Catholic school that has led the way by implementing exemplary innovative programs to improve the engagement and learning of their students. This award is jointly funded and administered by the Ontario English Catholic Teachers Association (OECTA) and the Catholic Education Foundation of Ontario. OECTA and CEFO are pleased to announce St. Francis Xavier Catholic High School, Ottawa CDSB as the recipient of the Michael Monk Award for 2019-2020.

For over 40 years the Catholic Education Foundation of Ontario has promoted Catholic education in Ontario through its recognition program of student achievement, research in Catholic education, and support of Catholic education leadership.

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Please consider helping CEFO in its support of Catholic education by remembering it in your will.

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Congratulations to the scholarship recipients of the Catholic Education Foundation of Ontario Student Award Partnerships



St. Jerome's University, Waterloo, ON

Claire Hannusch - St. Mary's H.S., BGCDSB

Katherine Mader - Cardinal Carter Academy for the Arts, TCDSB

St. Michael's College, University of Toronto

David Sturino - St. Michael's College

Liam Culp - St. John's College, BHNCDSB

Michelle Evelyn Valdez - St. Joseph Morrow Park C.S.S., TCDSB

The Catholic Student Award

Each year the Catholic Education Foundation of Ontario recognizes each Catholic Student Award Recipient from the over 160 Catholic high schools in the province of Ontario. These young people are celebrated for their commitment to their parishes, schools, and communities. We often hear from many of these young people who offer their appreciation for the honour given to them. Here are a few excerpts from their notes and cards:

"I am extremely grateful for the Catholic Student Award I was presented. Your generosity in providing this award is appreciated greatly. I pray I can make CEFO proud with my future as a Catholic student."—Alessandra

"Throughout Catholic Education, students learn to live the Lord's Beatitudes and I believe this is what allowed me to be a part of the spiritual life of the school and greater community; a chance to give back and help others as a means of finding meaning within my own life. It is great there is an award out there that recognizes high school students who strive toward those goals." --Maggie

"Receiving this award is a great honour to me and has helped me realize the importance of being active in your faith and helping others when at all possible. I hope to continue my involvement in my parish and in my community service." – Noah

"I am writing to thank you for this honour. Your support of my efforts has allowed me to acknowledge my identity and journey as a Catholic and to carry on my faith through the next chapter in my life. I have always been passionate about building a strong and welcoming community, which I was luckily able to experience at [my high school]." -- Aliyah

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Michael Monk Award—Update from St. Francis Xavier C.H.S., OCDSB



Printing Outdoor Signage for a Path of Reconciliation: The Outdoor Stations of the Cross for Indigenous Social Justice in Canada

With the guidance of a First Nations Elder, St. Francis Xavier has been involved in creating an adaptation of the traditional Stations of the Cross which invites prayerful reflection on the relationship between our faith and the experiences of Indigenous peoples in Canada.

The school has created a unique prayer process for this purpose. The process includes original artwork by the Indigenous students at the school, reflective prayers by both Indigenous and non-Indigenous students, and compelling videos that invite participants into a deeper commitment to Reconciliation. The prayer highlights QR codes that reveal videos of the school's Indigenous students as they share their stories of the history and experiences of Inuit, Metis and First Nations peoples.

The school has recently been awarded the prestigious Michael Monk Award to create a "Pathway for Reconciliation" on the school grounds based upon this prayer. The Michael Monk Award is an annual \$4000 award provided by the Catholic Education Foundation of Ontario to one recipient who has created a project that shows leadership and can be beneficial to other Catholic Schools across Ontario.

The outdoor pathway will comprise of a series of 16 Interpretive panel installations around the school property. The installation will be equipped with LED lighting for evening viewing, and made available to the school, local parishes, and wider community to promote prayerful reflection on this issue of great importance.

Students at St. F.X will complete the construction of the pathway themselves. They will perform the welding and assembly of the interpretive panel stands and layout the lighting circuitry for the walk, all as part of an experiential learning project in the school's technology program.

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Michael Carty Award—Update from St. Theresa Catholic School, NPSCDSB



Catholic Leadership Team



The Catholic Leadership Team at St. Theresa School is working hard at Inspiring Hope in our students by following and modelling the ways of our Greatest Teacher and Leader, Jesus.

They are dedicating their recesses and lunches to planning activities and games in the schoolyard for students of all ages. They are teaching new games that can be played either in the schoolyard or during in-door recess. They are teaching children skills and strategies that can be used to build positive relationships, promote inclusion and build tolerance and understanding towards all of God's children. By participating in Leadership training (such as the PALS program, the Socio-Emotional Program "Tools for Life", etc.), through the support of the Health Unit and the Mental Health Lead from our Board, they are gaining an understanding the importance of building positive relationships and the understanding of Mentally Healthy Schools.

The Catholic Leadership Team is planning various activities and assemblies promoting the Virtues. Through the promotion and teaching of the Catholic Virtues (through school presentations, etc.), they are modelling how these Virtues can be applied in everyday interactions and support the Catholic Graduate Expectations. By developing an understanding of the Catholic Graduate expectations, these leaders can gain an understanding of how to work towards achieving these expectations. They can also support other students in areas through coaching with conflict resolution, problem solving and the various forms of communication.

The Catholic Leadership team is working as a team to co-create goals and criteria that they will use to help support and guide their learning journey throughout the school year.—*Micheline Lamarche, Principal*



Michael Carty Award—Update from St. Augustine Catholic School, OCSB



Tower Garden Project

The Tower Garden Project has arrived at St. Augustine School in Ottawa and there is definitely a sense of excitement and curiosity in the air. This aeroponic, vertical growing system is capable of producing more than 150 different types of fruits, vegetables and flowers. Our school goal this year will be to start by growing **lettuce**. Students will plant seeds in rock wool, watch the seedlings sprout, transplant the young plants to the Tower Garden, and harvest the lettuce crops when fully mature. We will be learning about how to check PH levels and regularly add water to our Tower. Once our lettuce crops are ready, we plan to celebrate salad days in our school classrooms, one group at a time. This project will inspire students to **Be Well, Be Innovative and Be Community!** - *Mirella Vena, Grade 1/2 Teacher*



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Michael Carty Award—Update from Bishop Alexander Carter C.S.S., Sudbury CDSB



Inspiring & Developing Christian Leaders

Our project at Bishop Alexander Carter Catholic Secondary School of Inspiring and Developing Christian Leaders is off to a roaring start! As we planned this project in the spring, we were hoping to engage our students in training and campaigns to better our local and greater community. We had a vision of where we wanted to go, but more importantly, we wanted our students to take the lead, which is exactly what has happened!

Our student council has already come together to (a) organize our school into “villages” (much like the houses in Harry Potter, but they chose villages to reflect our small school!), (b) create monthly competitions/fun days between villages, and (c) run an extremely successful Memorial Walk.

This year marked our 7th Annual Memorial Walk, where we remember specifically a staff member and student who passed away, but also all those in our lives whom we have lost. With our student leaders taking the reins this year, our Memorial Walk took on a whole new life of its own! With our students divided into villages for the fund-raising and the walk, we brought in over \$2000 to support our students in need and community projects. More importantly, the attendance this year soared, with the vast majority of students participating in this fun-filled walk, BBQ and games! Students learnt about how much fun it is to spend time with our school community, while raising funds for a worthwhile cause!

Looking forward, we are happily anticipating Leadership Training with the St. Vincent de Paul Society, fundraisers for our sister school in Tanzania, and more and more ideas being generated to develop not only our student leaders, but to inspire all the students in our school! - *Jennifer Geddes, Chaplaincy Lead*



Michael Carty Award—Update from St. Pius X C.H.S., OCSB



Community Outreach Experiential Education Through Religious Education

The first semester religion classes have been diligently working on studying the Catholic social teachings as they relate to serving our community members that are less fortunate. They have chosen to partner with St Vincent de Paul, a Catholic community organization whose mission is to “translate faith into action” by living the Gospel by serving the poor with love, respect, justice and joy. The students are in the process of organizing their food and clothing drive. They will then bring their collected goods to the St Vincent de Paul Centre and work in service at the centre. The first visits to St Vincent de Paul will be coming up on Monday 4th November, Wednesday 6th November and Friday 8th November. Further visits will be discussed on these days. The project will culminate with students reflecting on their experiences and how they connect to our Gospel values.

Sandra Idone, Department of Student Services & Yearbook Facilitator

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Michael Carty Award—Update from St. Mother Teresa Catholic School, PVNCCDSB

Team 20 One

Team 20 is well underway at St. Mother Teresa. All students have been placed on teams facilitated by an educator in the building. Each group has a few students from each grade level. We have planned a range of activities to take place throughout the year, such as STEM challenges, seasonal activities, retreats and fun days.

The goal of Team Twenty is to increase positive relationships amongst students and staff that may not have the chance to spend time with each other on a regular basis. This, naturally, will build school spirit, collaboration skills, and help students to embrace the acceptance of others, of all different ages and of all abilities. This will also help students develop a relationship with other trusted adults within the school. Many of these are components of our Catholic Graduate Expectations and blend well with our Catholic School Improvement Plan for Student Achievement and Well-Being. We are looking forward to continuing this for years to come. We are grateful for the support of the Catholic Education Foundation of Ontario. - *Amanda Walchuk, Grade 6/7 Teacher*



Michael Carty Award—Update from St. Pius X C.H.S., OCSB

Girls Leading Our World (GLOW)

The Girls Leading Our World (GLOW) group at St. Pius X High School enhances Catholic school community by encouraging the female students to become effective communicators who speak and listen honestly and respond critically in light of gospel values. The provided sessions and workshops focus on teaching the female population to recognize positive and negative relationships and develop the tools to make choices that are in line with Catholic teachings.

The key outcomes of this opportunity for encounter are to invite the female population to come together to develop skills necessary to make positive choices in their lives. To be able to provide some of the events and speakers required to engage the students, GLOW applied for a Michael Carty Award from CEFO of Ontario and we awarded \$500 for helping with providing these opportunities.

Through the events which focus on fostering healthy relationships and partnerships, positive body images, career planning for non-traditional roles including STEM programs, and how the group can give back to the community our female students develop as a discerning believer formed in the Catholic faith.

GLOW focuses on living life as Christians and on “God’s universal call to holiness.” The group promotes a lifelong effort to follow the way of Christ who reveals to us his love for all of creation. By giving back to the community and supporting female groups such as the Youville Centre, this group recognizes human frailty and looks at how we can work to provide support for each other.



CEFO Executive Director, Don Walker

Presenting Durham CDSB with the Michael Carty Award for “Inter-School-Student Leadership Summit and Social Action Project: “We Are Hope for the World” & honouring Catholic Student Award recipients for 2019

Fr Greg Boyle

The Power of Radical Kinship

Tuesday, April 21, 2020

7:00 pm

St Michael's College (University of Toronto)

Alumni Hall

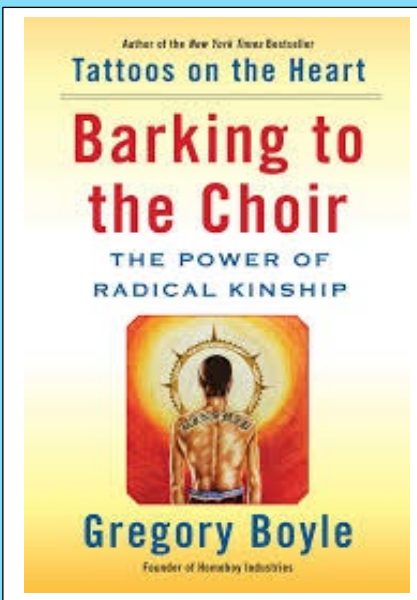
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For unless love becomes
tenderness—the connective
tissue of love—it never becomes
transformational. The tender
doesn't happen tomorrow . . .
only now."

Fr Greg Boyle, *Barking to the Choir*



Gregory Boyle is the founder of **Homeboy Industries** in Los Angeles, Calif., the largest gang intervention, rehabilitation, and re-entry program in the world.

A Jesuit priest, from 1986 to 1992 Father Boyle served as pastor of Dolores Mission Church, then the poorest Catholic parish in Los Angeles that also had the highest concentration of gang activity in the city. He witnessed the **devastating impact of gang violence** on his community during the so-called "decade of death" that began in the late 1980s and peaked at 1,000 gang-related killings in 1992. In the face of law enforcement tactics and criminal justice policies of suppression and mass incarceration as the means to end gang violence, Father Boyle and parish and community members adopted what was a radical approach at the time: **treat gang members as human beings**. In 1988 they started what would eventually become Homeboy Industries, which employs and trains former gang members in a range of social enterprises, as well as provides critical services to thousands of men and women who walk through its doors every year seeking a better life.

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