

ONTARIO ASSOCIATION OF PARENTS IN CATHOLIC EDUCATION

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THANKFUL FOR BLESSINGS

OCTOBER 2022





October is the month of the Holy Rosary. On October 7th, the Church celebrates the Feast Day of Mary, Queen of the Holy Rosary. The Church then proceeded to dedicate the entire month of October to the Holy Rosary so that individuals, families, and communities would pray the Holy Rosary, if possible, on a daily basis for peace in the world.

Thankful for Blessings

Heavenly Father, thank You for all the blessings You give us.

During this Thanksgiving season, as we look at all You have done for us, we are overwhelmed.

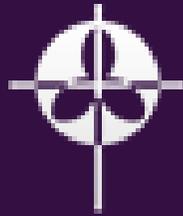
Thank you for our beautiful surroundings as we witness the cool in the air and the colors of life that are changing.

Thank you for the people that surround us daily at home in my family and in our school and church communities.

Thank You for the gift of Your Holy Spirit, whereby we can feel Your presence. May we always hunger to spend time with You.

In Jesus' Name, and in Blessed Mother Mary Madonna, Pray For

Us.



**Assembly of
Catholic Bishops
of Ontario**

We are very honored to welcome a new Bishop Liaison to the OAPCE organization, His Excellency Yvan Mathieu, SM Auxiliary Bishop. We are most appreciative of our ongoing relationship with the Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario and look forward to working with him!

A very special thank you to His Excellency Bishop Joseph Dabrowski who has taken on another portfolio, we are truly thankful for his time and dedication to not only OAPCE but to all of the Directors on a personal note, his support, guidance and respect for all that we do in OAPCE will never be forgotten. Heartfelt thank you and grazie!

Welcome all new OAPCE Liaison representative.

With Thanksgiving behind us all new parent councils should have appointed an OAPCE Liaison representative. Is there an OAPCE rep on your parent council? If not,

- 1) Volunteer be the OAPCE Liaison Rep on our School Parent Council
- 2) Have your principal notify your School Board that you are their Representative for your school.
- 3) Your School Board usually notifies OAPCE, but you can also or fill out our contact form on our website at oapce.org here:
- 4) You will receive information, newsletters and requests for feedback directly to your email.
- 5) Pass this information to your School Council.

As you embark on your role as an OAPCE what exactly does that look like?

Learn more about what OAPCE does. Starting with our website is a great start. If you are looking for a great “one pager” to share with your school community on “who we are and what we do” click [here](#).

- Build your network. You will be contacted by an OAPCE Director from your Region or the OAPCE Office.
- Like our Social Media Pages so you are up to date. Share your new found knowledge with your School Parent Council and greater school community.
- Participate in OAPCE online events, webinars and conferences.
- Provide information and resources to your local community, as well as seek feedback from them when required.



Ontario



NEWS from the Ministry of Education

The Ontario government has launched Catch Up Payments, offering parents \$200 or \$250 per child to help offset costs as they support their children as they catch up. This new initiative commits a total of \$365 million in direct financial relief for parents.

Starting October 20th, 2022 parents with school-aged children up to 18 years old can apply for payments of \$200 for each child, while parents with school-aged children with special education needs, up to the age of 21, can apply for \$250.

Families can apply for Catch Up Payments through a secure website where they can create a unique profile for each eligible student. Applications for Catch Up Payments will remain open until March 31, 2023

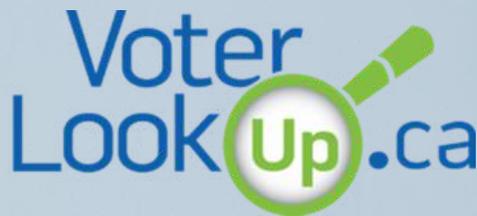
For more information check the [Ministry of Education website](#)
[HERE](#)

VOTERLOOKUP.CA

The next Ontario municipal and school board elections are October 24, 2022. If you are a resident, owner or tenant of property in Ontario, a Canadian citizen and 18 years of age or older on election day, you can vote.



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Ontario Municipal & School Board Elections

The Ontario Education Services Corporation (OESC) created this [site](#) in partnership with Ontario's school board / trustee associations as a resource for trustee candidates and voters.

School board trustees are the members of a school board. They are locally elected representatives of the public, and they are the community's advocate for publicly funded Catholic education. They are required to carry out their responsibilities in a manner that assists the board in fulfilling its duties under the Education Act.

A trustee's role is to maintain a focus on student achievement, well-being and equity and to participate in making decisions that benefit the board's entire jurisdiction while representing the interests of their constituents. Trustees must also communicate the views and decisions of the board back to their constituents.

Separate (Roman Catholic) schools in Ontario have special rights guaranteed by the Constitution and by the Education Act. Catholic Trustees have a responsibility to ensure our schools serve as both a support and foundation based on our Catholic Faith traditions and teachings.

To learn about more about the role of trustee see information from the [Ontario Catholic School Trustee Associations](#).

[CLICK HERE for more information](#)



Welcome to



CVO

Catholic Virtual Ontario

With the Ministry of Education adding online courses as a condition of graduating secondary school there are now options for Catholic high school students. Catholic Virtual Ontario provides equity of access for Catholic secondary students to take secondary credits developed and taught by Catholic teachers

Catholic Virtual Ontario, (formerly Ontario Catholic eLearning Consortium) was originally founded in 2010. CVO's mission is to provide equity of access for Catholic secondary students to take secondary credits developed and taught by Catholic teachers.

Goals:

- Unite Catholic partners in support of the Catholic Church's prophetic call for Catholic education leaders to guide students in the responsible and ethical use of digital tools in virtual learning environments;
- Enable member Catholic boards to develop and maintain a wide selection of high-quality Catholic secondary online courses, created and taught by Catholic teachers and made available to Catholic students;
- Collaborate with Catholic partners and TeLT Contacts to help ensure Catholic course offerings are coordinated and shared across member boards to help meet the needs of Catholic secondary students across Ontario;

Provide faith-based professional learning opportunities and resources (E.g., course development sessions, best practice conferences) to support Catholic teachers in the development and effective delivery of quality faith-based online courses.

[CLICK HERE to see more](#)

*You're
Invited!*



When Faith Meets Pedagogy

The Church on a Journey: Encounter, Listen, Discern

October 27-29 2022

Keynote Speaker:

Dr. Brett Salkeld, Archdiocesan Theologian for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Regina

Feature Speaker:

Dr. Anne Jamieson, Institute for Catholic Education

The Executive Committee of the Catholic Curriculum

Committee is pleased to announce that the 2022 WFMP Conference will be held, in-person, at the Delta Hotels by Marriott Toronto Airport and Conference Centre.

With the participation of so many Catholic educators and the support of Catholic School Boards, Associations, and Corporate Partners, our event has demonstrated and celebrated the joy, wisdom and service that Catholic education provides.

Join us as we explore the conference theme: The Church on a Journey: Encounter, Listen, Discern

Thank you, all, for your ongoing support and commitment

[CLICK HERE for more Information](#)



Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

We are pleased to share the good news of the release of the Pastoral Letter to Young People issued to the youth of the Canadian Catholic Church by the CCCB. The Letter is dated October 12th, in honour of the anniversary of the death of Blessed Carlo Acutis, the first beatified millennial.

In addition to the Letter, there is also an accompanying video that benefits the Catholic Education community in Ontario and across Canada.

[CLICK HERE to see more](#)

Hope-filled and affirming for not only our youth but all!

