

# THANK YOU from our retired priests!

## NAME (RETIREMENT YEAR AND LAST APPOINTMENT)

- Rev. James P. Adams (2007, Pastor, St. John's, Toronto)  
 Rev. Francis Areasi (1994, Pastor, St. Clare's, Toronto)  
 Rev. Paul E. Begin (2013, Priest-Psychologist)  
 Rev. Mario Bellinaso (2001, Assoc. Pastor, St. David's, Maple)  
 Rev. Octavio G. Beltran (2016, Pastor, St. Thomas More, Scarborough)  
 Rev. Christopher J. Bennett (1994, Pastor, St. Paul the Apostle, Alliston)  
 Rev. Marshal A. Beriault (2001, Administrator, Our Lady of Grace, Angus)  
 Rev. Msgr. Samuel J. Bianco P.H. (2014, Pastor, Corpus Christi, Toronto)  
 Rev. Luciano Biasi (2002, Pastor, St. Patrick's, Brampton)  
 Rev. Jon Bromley (2006, Pastor, St. Edward the Confessor, North York)  
 Rev. William Burns (2015, Pastor, St. Luke's, Thornhill)  
 Rev. Ronald L. Calhoun (2006, Pastor, St. Mary of the People, Oshawa)  
 Rev. Paul A. Casullo (2011, Assoc. Pastor, St. Isaac Jogues, Pickering)  
 Rev. Msgr. Gregory Choi (2017, Pastor, St. Andrew Kim, North York)  
 Rev. Nazzareno Coccia (2004, Pastor, St. John Bosco, Toronto)  
 Rev. Giuliano Costato (2007, Pastor, St. Leo's, Etobicoke)  
 Rev. Pierre Courtot M.E.P. (2001, Pastor, Sacre-Coeur, Toronto)  
 Rev. Emidio Cremona (1993, Pastor, St. Clare's, Toronto)  
 Rev. Bernard J. Cryer (1997, Assoc. Pastor, St. Michael's Cathedral, Toronto)  
 Rev. Eugene R. D'Avella (1996, Assoc. Judicial Vicar, Diocesan/Regional Marriage Tribunal, Toronto)  
 Rev. Edwin D'Souza (2012, Pastor, Sts. Martha and Mary, Mississauga)  
 Rev. Msgr. Terence F. D'Souza C.H.H. (2008, Pastor, St. Francis Xavier, Mississauga)  
 Rev. John Donlin (2012, Chaplain, Providence Health Centre, Scarborough)  
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 Rev. Lawrence J. Dugo (1995, Pastor, St. John's, Toronto)  
 Rev. Gerry Dunn (2017, Assoc. Pastor, St. Christopher's, Mississauga)  
 Rev. Edward P. Ewczynski (2005, Assoc. Pastor, St. Cecilia's, Toronto)  
 Rev. George Galea (2016, Pastor, Our Lady of Peace, Etobicoke)  
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 Rev. John K. Henry (2011, Pastor, St. Isaac Jogues, Pickering)  
 Rev. Peter Pham Hoang-Ba (2017, Administrator, Our Lady of La Vang Vietnamese Mission)  
 Rev. Rodolfo Imperial (2005, Pastor, St. John XXIII, Don Mills)  
 Rev. Msgr. John Iverinci P.H. (2011, Pastor, Our Lady of the Airways, Mississauga)  
 Rev. Msgr. Expedito Joano C.H.H. (2010, Assoc. Pastor, St. Thomas More, Scarborough)  
 Rev. Benoit T. Jobin (2001, Pastor, Blessed Trinity, Toronto)  
 Rev. Ronald A. Krafchik (1995, Pastor, St. Mark's, Etobicoke)  
 Rev. R. Viateur Laurin (2008, Pastor, Assomption de Notre-Dame, Oshawa)  
 Rev. Bernard Lee (2015, Pastor, St. Boniface, Scarborough)  
 Rev. Wilfried Lenius (2010, Pastor, St. Joseph's, Beaverton)  
 Rev. Paul Lennon (2005, Rector, Serra House, Toronto)  
 Rev. Massey Lombardi (2015, Pastor, St. Wilfrid's, North York)  
 Rev. William Lordon (2002, Assoc. Pastor, St. James, Colgan)  
 Rev. Siro Lunardon (2008, Assoc. Pastor, St. Wilfrid's, North York)  
 Rev. Alberto Macalipay (2017, Pastor, Immaculate Heart of Mary, Scarborough)



**Did you know?** The photo from this year's campaign posters was taken during the priestly ordination ceremony at St. Michael's Cathedral in 1959. We are grateful for our foundations of faith!

## NAME (RETIREMENT YEAR AND LAST APPOINTMENT)

- Rev. Donald S. MacLean (2007, Pastor, Our Lady of Grace, Aurora)  
 Rev. Msgr. Bradley H. Massman P.H. (2013, Pastor, St. Paul's Basilica, Toronto)  
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 Rev. Basil O'Brien (2004, Pastor, Sacred Heart, Uxbridge)  
 Rev. Robert Ouellette (2016, Pastor, St. John Chrysostom, Newmarket)  
 Rev. Daniel Palillo (2005, Pastor, St. Bernadette's, Ajax)  
 Rev. Vitaliano Papais (2014, Administrator, St. Patrick's, Brampton)  
 Rev. Kenneth H. Pearce (2017, Pastor, St. John Chrysostom, Newmarket)  
 Rev. Martin Pereira (2017, Pastor, St. Pius X, Toronto)  
 Rev. Msgr. John J. Pilkauskas C.H.H. (2012, Pastor, St. Gregory the Great, Oshawa)  
 Rev. Msgr. Mariano F. Polito P.H. (2005, Pastor, Our Lady of Sorrows, Etobicoke)  
 Rev. Florentine A. Rajaratnam (2012, Pastor, St. Theresa's, Scarborough)  
 Rev. Leo A. Ramsperger (1997, Pastor, St. John the Evangelist, Caledon)  
 Rev. Charles F. Reeves (1999, Pastor, St. Gregory's, Etobicoke)  
 Rev. Msgr. Eduardo Resendes P.H. (2010, Pastor, Ss. Salvador do Mundo, Mississauga)  
 Rev. Matthew F. Robbertz (1998, Pastor, St. Elizabeth Seton, Newmarket)  
 Rev. Boulos Saleh (2014, Pastor, St. Edward the Confessor, North York)  
 Rev. Juanito Santos De Dios Y Cano (1995, Assoc. Pastor, St. John XXIII, Toronto)  
 Rev. Garnet F. Sauve (2003, Pastor, St. Andrew's, Brechin)  
 Rev. William J. Scanlon (2006, Pastor, St. Mary Immaculate, Richmond Hill)  
 Rev. Manfred Schmid (2010, Assoc. Pastor, St. John Vianney, Barrie)  
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 Rev. Msgr. Joseph D. Shiels C.H.H. (2013, Pastor, St. Ignatius Loyola, Mississauga)  
 Rev. Msgr. John Staskevicius P.H. (2011, Assoc. Pastor, Lithuanian Martyrs, Mississauga)  
 Rev. William Swift (2009, Pastor, Holy Cross, Toronto)  
 Rev. Leslie A. Tamas (2005, Pastor, St. Mark's, Stouffville)  
 Rev. Paul Tang (2002, Pastor, Chinese Martyrs' Catholic, Markham)  
 Rev. Liborio Tavares (2008, Pastor, St. Mary's, Toronto)  
 Rev. Joseph Lam Tran (2016, Assoc. Pastor, Our Lady Queen of the World, Richmond Hill)  
 Rev. John J. Vella (1995, Pastor, St. Mary's, Barrie)  
 Rev. Francis Voorwerk (1993, Pastor, Our Lady Queen of the World, Richmond Hill)  
 Rev. Joseph Wasik (2013, Pastor, Christ the King, Etobicoke)  
 Rev. Msgr. John J. Weber C.H.H. (2012, Pastor, Good Shepherd, Thornhill)  
 Rev. Noel Whelan (2017, Assoc. Pastor, St. Anselm's, Toronto)  
 Rev. Philip A. Wiley (2007, Pastor, St. Mary's, Victoria Harbour)

## The Shepherds' Trust 2016 Financial Results

### Sources of Funds

Comprising:	2016	2015
Parish Collection	\$1,056,358	\$1,071,849
Bequests and Donations	\$409,666	\$293,616
Parish Assessment	\$2,132,313	\$1,711,625
Investment Income	\$5,816,018	\$2,132,011
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$9,414,355</b>	<b>\$5,209,101</b>

The 2016 investment income includes interest, dividends and realized gains totalling \$3.2 million and an unrealized gain from a change in fair value of \$2.6 million.

### Expenditures

2016 expenditures totalled \$3.05 million (\$2.98 million in 2015) consisting of monthly allowances to beneficiaries, health care premiums, and costs of extended health care for priests.

An actuarial study was completed as at July 1, 2015 and the net unfunded liability was \$5.8 million. As at December 31, 2016 the net unfunded liability was \$1.9 million. The next actuarial study will be completed as at July 1, 2018.

### Investment Fund-Market Value

Comprising:	2016	2015
Pooled Funds – Balanced	\$60,110,544	\$54,551,206
Short Term	\$2,198,338	\$1,249,214
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$62,308,882</b>	<b>\$55,800,420</b>

A copy of the audited financial statements is available for review at the office of the Archdiocese of Toronto – Accounting & Finance Department, 1155 Yonge Street, Toronto.

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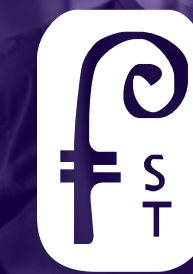
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# The Shepherds' Trust

Caring for those who always cared for us

YOUR NEWSLETTER FOR THE ANNUAL APPEAL

COLLECTION: NOVEMBER 18-19, 2017

## A Disciple to the Nations

*By Marlena Loughheed*

Many years ago, as an eleven-year-old boy drifted off to sleep in his family's living room, he overheard his parents talking about him in hushed tones.

"He is smart. He could become a doctor or a professor." The boy's father then made another suggestion: "Maybe he will be a priest. But that is up to the Lord."

That intelligent young man grew up to be Msgr. Gregory Choi. Over 60 years later, he is retiring after 41 years as a priest of the Archdiocese of Toronto. 35 of those years were spent serving Korean Catholics as pastor of St. Andrew Kim parish in North York.

In the story of his journey to Canada, it's clear that Msgr. Choi was guided by divine intervention. After entering the minor seminary at 17 years old, he eventually joined the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) in Seoul. He spent some time in the Philippines before his studies took him to St. Louis and then to Chicago in 1970, where he helped Korean immigrants learn English and begin new lives in America. His heart was drawn to this special ministry. He felt a strong calling to devote his life to welcoming new immigrants to North America.

Around that time, he met Fr. Matthew Ko, pastor of St. Andrew Kim Parish in Toronto. Fr. Ko shared the needs of the growing Korean community in Toronto. Choi saw where his heart for Korean immigrants could be of service. With Fr. Ko's help and the cooperation of Toronto's Fr. John O'Mara (later Bishop O'Mara), then Rector of St. Augustine's Seminary, he transferred to St. Augustine's in 1974 and finished his studies in two years. He was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Toronto in the autumn of 1976.



Msgr. Gregory Choi

After 41 years of priestly ministry devoted to inviting lay people to use their gifts in service of the Lord, Fr. Choi was named a monsignor earlier this year.

As one of the most multi-cultural dioceses in the world, priests like Msgr. Choi ensure the faithful of the Archdiocese of Toronto can worship in their native language and unique cultural style.

Paralleling patterns of Canadian immigration, parish communities in the archdiocese have risen to meet the needs of Catholic newcomers. The foundations of our faith community are built upon the shoulders of those who were willing to dedicate their lives to serve in areas of acute need. The ministry of these foreign-born priests is a testament to that fact.

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## The Shepherds' Trust

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## 2 Message from His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins

My dear friends,

As the Archdiocese of Toronto celebrates its 175th anniversary, it is a fitting time to look back with gratitude for the many priests who helped establish a solid foundation for the growth and transmission of the Catholic faith in our midst. Through their sacrificial love and pastoral care, we have grown from a tiny diocese of a few far-flung parishes, with roughly a dozen priests, to a beautifully diverse community of 225 parishes and 2 million Catholics, with almost 400 diocesan priests, active and retired.

Our diocesan priests provide years of dedication to parishes and ministries in the Archdiocese of Toronto, building on the legacy of those who nobly served before them. The Shepherds' Trust collection allows the priests of the Archdiocese of Toronto, after a lifetime of extending faithful service, to live the remainder of their lives with dignity and peace. Thank you for your generosity to this noble cause.

As they did in the earliest days of our diocese, today, priests rely on the faithful to help provide for their practical needs, especially as they live out the twilight years of their vocation. They often remain active, assisting with pastoral work as they are able. Yet they should also be afforded a rest.

The Shepherds' Trust channels financial support to our retired priests. With your help, they are assured of adequate care, including access to safe, modest but comfortable accommodations and funding to cover other necessities. The Shepherds' Trust also provides opportunities for shut-in and isolated priests to experience fellowship and recreation, and for the sick to receive medical care.

I assure you that contributions to The Shepherds' Trust are treated as a sacred trust, used solely for the care of our retired priests.

This year the collection dates for the appeal will be November 18-19, 2017. As best you can, I invite you to make a sacrificial gift to The Shepherds' Trust to demonstrate your support and gratitude for the pastoral care and service you and your loved ones have received from our priests.

May the Lord bless you and your family.

Yours sincerely in the Lord,

✠ *Thomas Card. Collins*

Thomas Cardinal Collins  
Archbishop of Toronto



## Faith on the Frontier

By Michelle Sawyers, Project Archivist, Archives of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Toronto (ARCAT)

The Archdiocese of Toronto's foundations of faith begin with the story of a handful of pioneer priests who weren't afraid to live on the frontier. In 1842, the diocese stretched from Windsor to Oshawa, and from Lake Ontario to Sault Ste. Marie and beyond, to the borders of Rupert's Land. The territory was vast and Catholics were a small percentage of the population. Though many Catholics lived in the established areas of Toronto, Hamilton, London and Windsor, there were others who lived hundreds of kilometres away from any settlement. An 1844 letter lists one bishop, 18 diocesan priests, five Jesuit priests and one Redemptorist priest administering the diocese and serving over 50 "stations" (parishes or missions). It was up to these few brave men to bring the grace of the sacraments to the pioneers who lived in the wilds of Canada West (now the province of Ontario).

Before the establishment of the diocese, Fr. (later Bishop) Macdonell travelled extensively between his base in Glengarry, near Cornwall, and Fort Erie, about 600 kilometres to the west, seeking Catholics and establishing missions. In May 1806 he wrote to Bishop Joseph-Octave Plessis of Québec:

*"I arrived last night from my tour through the upward parts of the Province ... I visited both going and coming the district of Johnstown, Kingston, Bay of Quinty [sic], and York ... I should be able to find out all the Catholics that had spread themselves out in the extensive tracts of country. The numbers I found were as following: The District of Johnstown 23, Kingston 78, Bay of Quinty [sic] 29, York and its neighbourhood had 37. Several of those had not an opportunity of coming to the sacraments since the year 1779 and their children had never seen a priest yet they taught them their prayers very correctly and made them come to confession. I wished to say mass in different places on the Bay of Quinty [sic] but could not get a cruet of wine nearer than York or Kingston."*

Almost 40 years later, as first Bishop of the diocese, Michael Power expanded on Macdonell's travels. He wanted a true understanding of the territory in his care. In July of his first year as Bishop, he travelled to Manitoulin Island, sailed north to Sault Ste. Marie, and returned south via Penetanguishene and Coldwater, travelling by cart, canoe, wagon and foot over some 1500 kilometres. He continued to visit the far reaches of his diocese during each summer of his episcopacy.

In such a vast territory, clergy could scarcely avoid extensive travel. In the 1840s each priest had in his care at least three stations; in addition they were compelled to visit isolated Catholic families who did not live near a parish or mission.

Before cars, trains or reliable roads, priests had to travel by foot, horse, or boat to visit their missions. The journey took time and had many perils. For example, when Fr. Edward Gordon travelled north in 1830, he wrote,

*"I left York on the 16th [of last month] on a mission through the Townships of Toronto, Albion, Mono, Adjala, Tecumseth, west Gwillimbury. In this latter Township, which was never before visited by a Catholic Clergyman, I found 19 Catholic families comprising a population of 75 souls with whom I remained two days, and then proceeded on towards Thora by Lake Simco [sic], where I lost my way on the ice and after straying a part of the night along the shore, fortunately came to a path which brought me to a house within 10 miles of Thora. I stopped 4 days in Thora and then returned to York. The difficulties, hardships, and expenses of my mission were forgotten when I witnessed the fervour of our poor people in complying with their spiritual duties, their willingness to contribute to the support of a clergyman, and the fervent prayers they offered to Heaven for your eternal welfare in thus giving them the means of complying with their duty."*

It is clear that the early clergy in this part of the country took their vocations seriously. They knew it was up to them to bring the faith and sacraments to the pioneers who were building the nation. Their work helped to establish the Archdiocese of Toronto as a place where Catholics from all over the world can build new lives while remaining connected to their faith – it's a legacy that has lasted 175 years.

Today, the priests of the Archdiocese of Toronto continue to minister to Catholics from all over the world who now call this place their home. While they don't have the same travel challenges that Fr. Gordon faced when he visited northern outposts, the responsibilities of diocesan priests remain complicated and all consuming. While Fr. Gordon and his brother priests served dozens of families, priests serve thousands today, often providing pastoral ministry well into their 70s. And, just as Fr. Gordon relied on "the fervour of our poor people in complying with their spiritual duties, their willingness to contribute to the support of a clergyman", the diocesan priests of 2017 rely on your prayers and support.

The circumstances in our diocese have changed immensely over the past 175 years, but many of the spiritual and temporal needs of our family of faith remain the same. After a lifetime of service, the Shepherds' Trust appeal ensures diocesan priests who have dedicated their lives to serving the frontier Church of today are provided lodging and support as they rest in their retirement.



## As Msgr. Choi enters retirement, he is confident the Lord used his life and ministry to serve his people during their time of need.

As the demographics of Toronto continue to shift with new waves of immigration, Msgr. Choi acknowledges there will be a need for priests of other ethnicities to fulfill the needs of the changing city. As he enters retirement, he is confident the Lord used his life and ministry to serve his people during their time of need.

In the years ahead, he looks forward to delving deeper into what he calls the Three S's: *sanctitas* (sanctity), *sanitas* (health) and *studium* (study). In the midst of the busy life of a pastor, personal time is limited. Msgr. Choi looks forward to reading theological books, increasing his devotion to personal prayer, including lectio divina, and more walking, his favourite form of exercise.

Since the early 1960s, the Archdiocese of Toronto has devoted funds to support the temporal needs of priests who helped lay a solid foundation of faith for the next generation. Thanks to the Shepherds' Trust, Msgr. Choi and his fellow retired priests enjoy a modest but comfortable retirement with time to rest after many years of dedicated service to Christ, His people and our archdiocese.

## Ways of Giving to The Shepherds' Trust

Thank you for considering a gift to The Shepherds' Trust. Your thoughtful donation will help our priests maintain a modest but active and independent lifestyle in their retirement years. In many cases, illness and disability result in increased hardship. For priests who are ill or otherwise infirm, the Trust helps them have access to nursing home facilities and medical care. There are many ways to make a financial gift:

### 1. GIFTS OF CASH

By far, the most popular method of support, a gift of cash, provides an immediate benefit to The Shepherds' Trust and an instant tax receipt for you. Gifts of cash may be given through your parish on the special collection weekend of November 18-19, 2017, or with post-dated cheques

throughout the year and should be made payable to: Parish Name – The Shepherds' Trust. You can also mail your cheque directly to: The Shepherds' Trust, 1155 Yonge Street, Toronto, ON M4T 1W2.

### 2. BEQUESTS

A bequest is a specific provision in your will, directing various estate assets to be given to The Shepherds' Trust in return for a tax receipt for the full value of the bequest. These gifts can symbolize permanent memorials for you, your family, or another loved one you wish to honour. If you have included The Shepherds' Trust in your will, please let us know. As a sign of our appreciation, we would like to send you a hand-crafted cross blessed by Cardinal Thomas Collins. You will also receive an invitation to an annual Legacy Society special event with the Cardinal.

### 3. PUBLICLY TRADED STOCKS AND SECURITIES

If you have securities such as stocks or mutual funds that have increased in value, you may wish to consider donating them to The Shepherds' Trust instead of gifting cash. The awareness of gifting securities as a smart tax planning strategy is growing because the government allows you to directly donate appreciated securities without having to pay any capital gains tax. The process is very simple and in most cases only requires a one-page form. For more information on planned gifts to The Shepherds' Trust, please contact Mr. William Dunlop, Secretary/Treasurer at 416-934-3400, ext. 614.

### 4. DONATE ONLINE

You can make a donation online using your credit card. Please visit [www.shepherdstrust.org/donate](http://www.shepherdstrust.org/donate)

## Please pray for those who have died since our Fall 2016 publication

Rev. Stephen Coates  
† March 8, 2017

Rev. Msgr. Vincent N. Foy P.H.  
† March 13, 2017

Rev. Richard Jacobsen  
† August 5, 2017

Rev. Lawrence T. McGough  
† February 17, 2017

Rev. Italo Reich  
† October 7, 2016