St Paul the Apostle Church 94th Parish Anniversary Dinner-Dance

on Saturday, September 28, 2024

(doors open at 5:30 pm)

Enjoy a Full Course Meal

- Lasagna
- Veal with Roasted Potatoes & Eggplant Rollatini
 - Tossed Green Salad
 - Sherbert with Fruit Syrup
 - Pastries
 - Tea & Coffee
 - Cash Bar

Can't possibly eat all the food? - No Worries!
....take your leftovers home with you, containers will be provided.

Dance to the Music of a DJ

Price: Adults - \$60 per person Children (5-12) - \$30 per person Children under 5 - Free

Door Prize

Raffle Prizes

All net proceeds will go towads ShareLife.

Please book <u>no later than</u> Tuesday, September 24th by calling Freda at 416-762-1891.

Please note that payment is required at time of booking.

Book early to avoid disappointment!

MEDIA RELEASE – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

A Call to Compassion: Catholic Community Pledges \$750,000 to Combat Hunger Anew

TORONTO (August 26, 2024) – Food insecurity is a pressing concern in our community. Recognizing the daily struggles that many families face to put food on their tables, the Catholic community is once again stepping forward to address this critical need. Following last year's allocation of \$620,000 to combat the crisis, there is a renewed commitment to making a meaningful impact and supporting those in need.

ShareLife, the annual charitable appeal of the Archdiocese of Toronto, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto, and a generous anonymous donor, are committing \$750,000 to address the hunger crisis through Food Security Grants. This significant funding is composed of two major pillars:

- \$375,000 in new funding for parish-based food banks and meal programs in the Archdiocese of Toronto, coordinated through the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Greater Toronto Central Council.
- \$375,000 in new funding to Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto, which will allocate grants to agency and community-run food programs.

Starting September 1, applications will be open for submission. Similar to last year's Food Security Grants, agencies and community-run programs may apply for funding through <u>Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto</u>. The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Greater Toronto Council is <u>accepting applications for funding from Catholic parishes in the Archdiocese of Toronto</u>. The deadline for all applications is September 30. For further details, please review the linked documents. Information will also be shared through the <u>ShareLife website</u>.

"We see and feel the pain of those struggling to feed their families, and it moves us deeply," says Archbishop Francis Leo. "Proverbs 22:9 reminds us, 'The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor." Our faith calls and challenges us to be the beating heart and outstretched hands of Christ himself, extending his love and compassion to those in need. Together, we will continue to bring hope and dignity to our community, to those who suffer thus making a palpable and concrete difference in the lives of our neighbours."

ShareLife funds over 40 agencies and grant recipients through the annual \$14 million Parish Campaign. Since its establishment in 1976, ShareLife has united Catholic parishes, schools, and the corporate community in its mission of "living the Gospel by providing for those in need."

Catholics across the Archdiocese of Toronto are coming together with a renewed commitment to support the annual \$14 million ShareLife Parish Campaign. Members from 225 parishes are actively raising funds as ShareLife takes meaningful steps to address food insecurity.

The Archdiocese of Toronto, the largest diocese in Canada, is one of the most diverse faith communities in North America, serving as the spiritual home to approximately two million Catholics. Nearly 400 priests celebrate Mass in more than 30 languages each week across 225 parishes. The archdiocese stretches from Toronto to Georgian Bay and from Oshawa to Mississauga.

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