



**Come and Support
one of our parishioners!**

Carol Houston will be taking
part in the production

The Tender Land

at the Toronto City Opera on
June 18th, 21st & 22nd.

Visit the website,
www.torontocityopera.com for
more information or to obtain
tickets.



Come join us for Fr. Roy's farewell reception on
Sunday, June 22,
following the **10:30 AM Mass** in the lower hall!

That morning's **10:30 am Mass** will be in Maltese
and celebrated by **Fr. Jimmy Zammit**.

Fr. Roy's last day at the parish will be **Tuesday, June 24.**

we will miss you

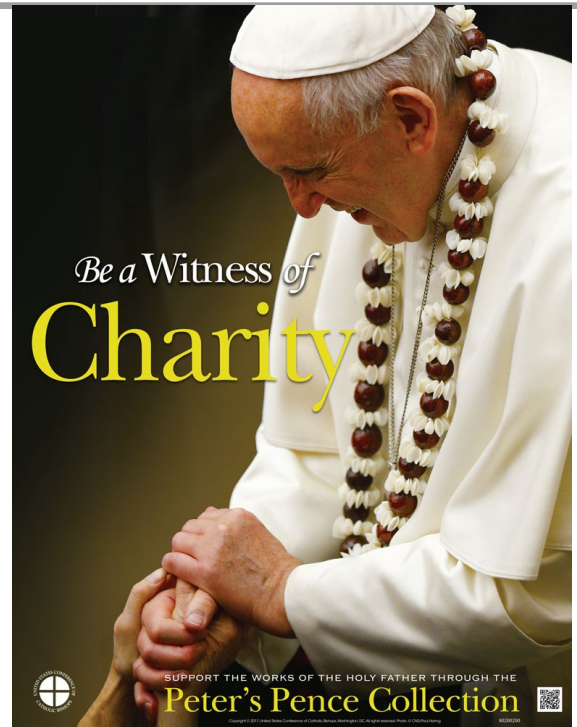
PETER'S PENCE has a long and fascinating history. It originated under the Saxons in England and spread across Europe as a financial contribution to the Holy See. Initially, it was a voluntary offering, but over time, various rulers institutionalized it as a tax-like payment. The practice was formally discontinued in England during the Reformation, though remnants of it persisted in some areas into the 19th century.

In 1871, Pope Pius IX officially revived and formalized Peter's Pence as a way for lay members of the Church and other supporters to provide financial aid to the Vatican. The funds collected were used for philanthropic works and administrative costs of the Vatican state.

The transition to "Pope's Pastoral Works" appears to be a modern rebranding of the initiative, emphasizing its charitable and humanitarian aspects. While Peter's Pence historically supported the Vatican's broader financial needs, the Pope's Pastoral Works focus more explicitly on aiding those in need worldwide.

The funds from the Pope's Pastoral Works are primarily used for humanitarian aid and charitable initiatives. They are directed toward disaster relief, education, healthcare, and poverty alleviation. The collection enables the Pope to respond swiftly to crises such as wars, famines, and natural disasters, offering financial assistance to affected communities.

These contributions reflect the Church's mission of compassion and social justice, ensuring that aid reaches those in urgent need worldwide. Would you like to explore specific projects funded by these contributions?



A FLOWER FOR DAD

To pay tribute to our fathers who are deceased, we will be recording their names in our Remembrance Book. Volunteers will be at the back of the church to assist with this task. On the weekend of Father's Day, which will be celebrated on June 14th/15th, flowers will be put next to the Remembrance Book close to the altar. We kindly ask for an amount of \$5.00 to cover the cost of purchasing the flowers.

