

Dear friends;

On the weekend of August 1-2, a special collection will be taken up for the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Peterborough and for Peterborough Campus Ministry. The Vocations Office supports our seminarians and young men and women who are discerning their Vocations; Peterborough Campus Ministry brings the saving message of Jesus' life death and resurrection to campus at Trent University and Fleming College's Sutherland Campus. I am writing to ask you to please give generously to support these worthy causes. I have been the Director of these ministries for 5 years now, and I have seen, repeatedly, the positive effects these ministries are having on young people and on the future of the Church. We are blessed, now, to have 4 full-time missionaries from Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO) supporting Trent students in their faith. We currently have two seminarians and several young men discerning applying to the seminary. Please enjoy these thoughts (right) from Seminarian Peter Bissonnette and from Trent Student Sierra Lancia.

Friends, these are just two examples from the dozens of lives we are seeing impacted through the Vocations Office and Peterborough Campus Ministry. Young people are encountering Jesus and the Church and are finding joy, peace and direction as a result. Please help deepen and expand our impact by giving generously to the special collection being taken up August 1st and 2nd (August 15 for Pre-Authorized Giving). I am very grateful for your prayers and your financial support. God bless!

Father John Perdue, Director
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Thank you for your support!

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“Three years ago, I decided to leave my job and pursue something that had been tugging on my heart nearly all my life. I joined the seminary through the diocese of Peterborough. These past two years have been, without a doubt, the most formative and joyful years of my life.”

*- Peter Bissonnette, 1st Year Theology,
St. Augustine's Seminary*



“When I started university, my relationship with God was on the decline. It got to the point that a wall between God and me was fully built. My life felt empty and hopeless. That all changed during my time at Trent, though. Through Peterborough Campus Ministry, I was able to meet a CCO staff member who made me realize how strongly I had built that wall. Throughout the Discovery faith study I took with her, I was able to reconnect with God in a new light. I can feel the love he has for me and I know I love him very much. Now there is no wall between Jesus and it is open. My life is happier and less isolated since I put Christ in the center of my life.”

*- Sierra Lancia,
Nursing Student at Trent University*