

# OAPCE Volunteer Awards

## Volunteer Parent of the Year Award

This award is presented annually to a parent volunteer that goes above and beyond to support their child's school and/or school board and supports the aims and goals of OAPCE, demonstrated through at least two years of personal service.

*This year's recipient is Allison Catalano from Sudbury CDSB.*



## Father Mazerolle Award

This award is presented annually to a religious or layperson that supports the aims and goals of OAPCE and has substantially contributed to the Catholic School System in the community and to the Association in particular, through at least two years of service.

*This year's recipient is Alice Anne LeMay from Halton CDSB.*

## Glorya Nanne Award

This award is presented annually to a person who supports the aims and goals of OAPCE, and has substantially contributed in fostering a better understanding of Catholic Education in Ontario through the use of various forms of media.

*This year's recipient is Theresa Pastore from Toronto CDSB.*



## Honorary Lifetime Membership

The Association may award an Honorary Lifetime Membership to persons who support the aims and goals of OAPCE and who have contributed in a substantial way, through their expertise, time and effort, over a period of years, to the Association.

*This year's recipient is Margie Grier from Halton CDSB.*



## Catholic Graduate Expectations *continued...*

Do you know what your Graduate has been learning in their Catholic School?

From the time your child started their first day of school, our Catholic education system has been teaching, showing examples and helping the student learn to become a person who is:

**A discerning believer** formed in the Catholic Faith community who celebrates the signs and sacred mystery of God's presence through word, sacrament, prayer, forgiveness, reflection and moral living.

**An effective communicator**, who speaks, writes and listens honestly and sensitively, responding critically in light of gospel values.

**A reflective, creative and holistic thinker** who solves problems and makes responsible decisions with an informed moral conscience for the common good.

**A self-directed, responsible, lifelong learner** who develops and demonstrates their God-given potential.

**A collaborative contributor** who finds meaning, dignity and vocation in work, which respects the rights of all and contributes to the common good.

**A caring family member** who attends to family, school, parish, and the wider community.

**A responsible citizen** who gives witness to Catholic social teaching by promoting peace, justice and the sacredness of human life.

What does this mean to the student as a whole?

Graduates report that they volunteer, make charitable donations, vote according to their values, and choose a career that is influenced by their personal interest/passion as opposed to salary. Graduates also wrote that Catholic education was important because it incorporated beliefs, values, morals, ethics and guiding life principles that have helped to shape who they are; gave them a sense of community in which they could participate in social activities, build relationships and connect with members of the school community; provided an inclusive environment where they could openly and freely practice their faith; helped them to develop their faith; and provided them with insight and inspiration to guide their decisions. Catholic education, they wrote, taught them the importance of social justice, altruism, and helping others.

*This image of the learner was developed by the Institute for Catholic Education in consultation with representatives of the Catholic community across Ontario. The life roles, knowledge, skills and attitudes outlined in this document describe the distinctive expectations that the Catholic community has for graduates of Catholic secondary schools. These expectations are based on research, which identified current and future educational goals and priorities across the province and enhance the expectations of the Ontario Ministry of Education and Training as outlined in provincial curriculum documents.*

For more information, visit the Institute of Catholic Education website – [www.iceont.ca](http://www.iceont.ca)

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