

"The opposite of love is not hate, it is indifference"
-E. Wiesel as shared by Pope Francis in his apology remarks at Maskwacis, Alberta

The members of the Diocesan Truth and Reconciliation Committee hear many people ask, "What can I do?" The first answer to this is to begin learning more.

The Diocesan Truth and Reconciliation Committee hosted a series of educational presentations over the past two years for all staff and clergy and we have made those available to everyone. These videos will help you know more information about Indigenous peoples and their history with the Catholic Church. They are rich and powerful and will make for a wonderful learning experience.

We invite you to sit down in your favorite quiet spot, either alone or with some friends and family, to hear the speakers share their wisdom. Please take the time to watch these and learn more about how you can expand your role as a Canadian Catholic and continue the movement towards reconciliation.

Below is a list of the sessions that were held over the past two years for the Diocese.

- 1. Introduction to Truth and Reconciliation with Archbishop Murray Chatlain
- 2. Historical Trauma and Healing with Christine Maracle
- 3. Life Before Contact, Wampum Belt and 21 Things You Need to Know About the Indian Act with Ray John
- 4. Murdered & Missing Indigenous Women and Girls with Emilee Gilpin
- 5. **Indigenous Justice Methods & Sentencing Circles** with Bethany Williams, Justice Austin & Sarah Donahue
- 6. Indigenous Mental Health & Well-Being with Bill Hill
- 7. Catholicism and Anishnaabe (Ojibway/Chippewa) Spirituality with Deacon Michael Robinson
- 8. Leni Lenape (Delaware) History, Culture and Reconciliation and Indigenous Resurgence from a Youth Perspective with Kamryn Whiteye and Tyler Waddilove

Resources are available on the Truth and Reconciliation page of the diocesan website <u>dol.ca/trc-videos</u> that includes information on the presenters along with discussion questions and a reflection on the themes that are threaded throughout the video series.