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Pastoral Letter: *Christian Leadership in Everyday Life*

Bishop Serge Poitras, our Bishop, currently in recovery, has asked me to send you the pastoral letter "*Christian Leadership in Everyday Life*" that he wrote before going on vacation at the beginning of this month.

The theme of leadership was proposed in the deliberations that had prepared our five-year plan, unfortunately suspended by the Covid-19 pandemic. The Bishop considered it important to follow up and offer both the clergy and the faithful some avenues of reflection in order to intensify the quality of our Christian witness.

The Bishop first studies the meaning of the word 'leadership' (n. 1-4); he then contemplates Christ as our leader (n. 5-7), who exercises his leadership in the Church (n. 8-13) and the responsibility of the baptized faithful in this regard. The Bishop examines more closely the leadership of the faithful in their daily life (n. 14-19), family and conjugal life (n. 20-21), professional life and work (n. 22-27), participation in social life (n.28-29) and animation of the Christian community (n. 30-32).

As the pastoral year 2025-2026 begins, as Diocesan Coordinator of pastoral life, I ask the parish priests and their parish councils, as well as the pastoral regions, to study the Bishops' Letter, to make it known to all the faithful, in such a way that everyone becomes more aware of their own Christian leadership in their everyday lives.

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