

CATHOLIC EDUCATION:  
**NURTURING  
HOPE**



**MAY 2 – MAY 7, 2021**

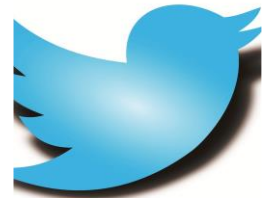
CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

***“Those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength.”  
(Isaiah 40:31)***

*Student &  
Family Activities*

# How It Works

- ❖ This PowerPoint contains activities for each day of Catholic Education Week
- ❖ Complete as many or as little as you like
- ❖ Families are encouraged to take on the activities together at home
- ❖ Take a photo of your completed activity/participation
- ❖ Tweet out your photo and tag @HST\_YCDSB and @YCDSB
- ❖ Include hashtags such as: #CEW2021, #NurturingHope
- ❖ Most importantly....have fun!





# Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021

*Preparing the Earth*

Click on the link to listen and watch the story of **The Curious Garden**

[The Curious Garden](#)

*How did Liam prepare the earth?*



A: With your parents, plant some seeds in peat pots and put them near a window. Document their growth on a chart. Remember, seeds need warmth, light and water to grow!

B: Make a birdfeeder out of a milk carton or a plastic pop bottle, hang it outside on a tree and see which bird species come to the feeder.



# Tuesday, May 4th, 2021

## *Sowing Seeds of Gratitude*

**Click on the link and listen to the story of The Great Kapok Tree**  
**[The Great Kapok Tree](#)**

All living things depend on one another. Our future depends on what we do today.

**Hinterland Who's Who** is a Canadian website with a lot of information on Canadian ecosystems and animals. This is the link to information about the little brown bat:

<https://www.hww.ca/en/wildlife/mammals/little-brown-bat.html>

A: Create a Title Page of The Great Kapok Tree in the Canadian forest:  
What tree would you put in the title of your story?  
Which animals would come to whisper in the man's ear?

B: Take part in a bird count or animal count. Go to Observation Nation ([inaturalist.ca](http://inaturalist.ca)) Write down the names of some of the birds and animals you see.



## CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 2021 PRAYER

Gracious and generous God,  
creator of the earth, our common home,  
With each new day, we prepare the earth of our  
lives by sowing seeds of gratitude for all you have  
given. Inspire us to cultivate relationships with  
all living beings. May we harvest new fruit and  
marvel in the wonder at the beauty around us.  
Nurture us in hope.

Amen. +

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renew their strength."  
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# Wednesday, May 5th, 2021

## Cultivating Relationships

You are invited to virtually join His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins who will be celebrating Catholic Education Week Mass at 11:00 am today.

Please clicking on the following link at the scheduled time: <https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live>.

Say the Catholic Education Week Prayer with a family member.

A: Music makes us happy. Create a playlist of happy music, play this in your backyard or if you are able, send it to a family member whom you miss.



B: Create a fancy message of hope in chalk on your driveway or sidewalk for passersby to read.



# Thursday, May 6th, 2021

## Harvesting New Fruit

**Click on the link and hear the Catholic Education Week Theme Song:** [Nurturing Hope CEW Theme Song](#)

A: Write an acrostic poem about Hope...H is for happiness, O is for ongoing, P is for...etc. Share it with a family member.

B: Make a friendship card. Fold a piece of paper in half. Draw a picture of you and your friend on the cover. On the inside, write all the things that you admire and like about your friend.

C: Write a letter or send a text/video message to family members that you haven't been able to see for awhile.

# Friday, May 7th, 2021

## Marvel In Wonder

Today is our Catholic Education Week Liturgy at 12:35 pm.  
Use the live link below to join:

<https://stream.meet.google.com/stream/cc251cba-a1ea-4498-8b33-b74c4d9025a7>

This weekend, take the opportunity to go for a Nature Walk as a family and pray together to thank God for all the beauty you see.

We hope you had fun participating in the activities. Don't forget to take a photo of any of your completed activities and tweet our your photo. Tag **@HST\_YCDSB** and **@YCDSB**

**You can also include the hashtags:  
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