

AGENDA

Call to Order

1.0 Opening Prayer - Shelley Callender

2.0 Welcome, Introductions

2.1 Nominations / Elections

3.0 Previous Minutes

4.0 Business Arising from Minutes

5.0 Financial Reports

6.0 New Business / Updates:

6.1 Promotion of Catholic Education

Watch [A Precious Gift: Celebrating Publically Funded Catholic Education in Ontario](#) and [The Enduring Gift](#)

Both short videos give an overview of the history and current state of Catholic Education in the province. New Board Spiritual Theme aligned with the OCSTA Catholic Education - the provincial Catholic Education Week theme is Becoming Artisans of Peace.

6.2 Home, School, Parish Partnership

Please see The Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association's (OCSTA) document [Together in Faith: Home, School, Parish Practices, A Collection of Catholic School Board Practices](#) and the ACBO's pastoral letter [Renewing the Promise](#) highlighting the role that parents/guardians have in Catholic Education.

6.3 Catholic School Advisory Council Orientation Meeting

An orientation session for Principals and their CSAC Chairperson(s) and Vice-Chairperson(s) will be held on Tuesday, October 20, 2026, at 7:00 pm at the Catholic Education Centre (a virtual link will be provided for those who cannot attend in-person). The orientation session will include information about PIC and PRO grants, a commissioning for attendees, and important updates from senior administration. More information will follow.

6.4 Catholic School Advisory Council Mid-Year Check-in

A mid-year check-in session for Principals and their CSAC Chairperson(s) and Vice Chairperson(s) will be held on Tuesday, February 16, 2027, at 7:00 pm at the Catholic Education Centre (a virtual link will be provided for those who cannot attend in-person). The check-in session will include important updates from senior administration. More to follow.

Review the [BHCNDSB policy 200.31](#)

7.0 Fundraising: Ideas/Brainstorming

8.0 Principal's Report - Shelley Callender

9.0 School Information:

Enrolment: September 2026 – 500 students

Mass: To be held on site and at church with Father Larry this year. Students will be participating in the Liturgy and School Masses.

* Opening of the School liturgy September 25th at St. Gabriel, at 11:00 a.m.

*The Advent Marian Liturgy on December 4th at St. Basil at 11:30 am

*Ash Wednesday Liturgy February 10th at St. Gabriel

*Closing Mass at St. Gabriel on June 16th at 11:00am

*Graduation Mass on June 25th at 10:30 at St. Basil's
*Graduation Celebration on June 24th at 6:00 p.m. at St. Gabriel
Parents are welcome to attend masses at the church.

School Picture Day: Monday October 5th, Retakes: November 16th,
Grad Photos: Thursday April 15th

Special Events 2026-2027

Terry Fox Walk Monday September 28th
Remembrance Day Liturgy – Wednesday, November 11th at 11:15 a.m.
Road to Kindergarten – Kindergarten Registration Wednesday November 4th
Christmas Open House – Wednesday December 9th 5:30-7:00 pm
Grade 8 Trip to Camp Celtic Parent meeting: Tuesday October 20th @ 7:00 pm
Trip – May 14-17th

Student Achievement Plan 2026-27

Belonging: To provide opportunities for students and staff to learn, connect, and live out our Catholic Social teachings by providing outreach in our local community as we step out to answer the call for love.

Teaching and Learning: 1) Improve students' literacy learning and achievement. 2) Improve students' math learning and achievement.

Wellness: To develop a mentally healthy faith filled community that is safe, equitable and welcoming for all.

Full time CYW in our school (Cindy Miller) CYW to reflect self-regulation, wellness and positive mental health. Classroom presentations will be held each month.

Elementary Curriculum Continued Changes for 2026-2027:

Early reading screening tools, Acadience Screener, The Phonics Companion and Heggerty pre-Kindergarten Program; The Phonics Companion (Grade 1 and 2); UFLI (Grades K-2); Empower Reading; Lexia; KeyMath 3 diagnostic Assessment and Essential Resources to develop intervention programs/activities/materials for students on a modified math program. These programs will be continuing.

The Revised Elementary Curriculum:

- Kindergarten Curriculum
- Family Life Curriculum – Grades 4-6 Blessed and Beloved
- Grade 6 – Mental Health component
- Elementary Social Studies, History and Geography • Grades 7 & 8 History – contributions of black Canadians

Updated School Code of Conduct for 2026-2027 that will be posted on our school website.

10.0 Next Meeting:

11.0 Adjournment