

DI**<b>CÈSE ANGLICAN MONTRÉAL** 

The Right Reverend Mary Irwin-Gibson Bishop of Montreal bishops.office@montreal.anglican.ca

Dear friend,

Your participation in the Bishop's Action Appeal is such a blessing to me and to our recipients! Thanks to your generous response to last year's appeal, we were able to support our local missions; **The Mile End Community Mission, Tyndale-St Georges Community Centre and Action Réfugiés Montréal** who are helping hundreds of people in our area during an increased time of need.

Many of you are familiar with the **Sisters of St. John the Divine**. A Canadian Anglican order of sisters, they exercise ministries of hospitality and spiritual direction. For over 30 years, the sisters ran St. Michael's Mission and were quite active at the Church of St. John the Evangelist until 1961. Between 1998 – 2008 they had a hospitality house and mission in St. Lambert. Many sisters continue to have connections with people in our diocese.

The Guesthouse at their convent in Toronto is where most of their ministry is now centered and the sisters have launched a capital campaign, called **A Home for the Heart**, to make some necessary improvements and repairs to the guest facilities and building infrastructure. Their welcoming ministry of prayer, retreats and spiritual direction, of discernment and companionship for ministry, is a valuable resource for our church.



I would be so happy, and so would the Sisters, if our Diocese is able to make a significant and generous contribution to their ministry. Please visit their website to learn more. www.ssjd.ca.

Unless you specify otherwise, half of your donation will go to **Giving with Grace** which funds projects at the national church level, including The Healing Fund, indigenous ministries, military chaplaincies and more. For more information on **Giving with Grace** visit <u>www.anglican.ca/giving/.</u>

Thank you for sharing in these ministries!

+ Mary

P.S. Gifts of \$25 or more are eligible for a tax receipt, which will be issued in February 2024.

## The 2023 Bishop's Action Appeal

Here is my single gift of: \$100 \$250 \$500 Other \$ Or, you can make a monthly (or one-time) donation; Go to <u>www.montreal.anglican.ca</u> and click on <b>Donate</b> <b>Now</b> Direct my_ft to: A Home for the eart Giving with Grace
(If you do not check either box, your gift will be split equally between A Home for the Heart and Giving with Grace). Mail to The Synod of the Diocese of Montreal, 1444 Union Ave, Montreal, QC H3A 2B8. (Business No.108061458 RR 0028)
Contribution Method
Cheque to The Synod of the Diocese of Montreal

Exp date \_\_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_CVV\_\_\_\_\_

month/year

Phone number

Visa/MC: Card No.

Thank you for your donation!