

OCSOA AGM & Conference

BLUE MOUNTAIN RESORT || APRIL 22-24, 2020

Join your host board Simcoe Muskoka CDSB as we gather from across the province in a renewed sense of mission to lead and shape the future of Catholic Education in Ontario.

REVERANCE

for the sacredness of human life.

RESPECT

for the uniqueness of all persons.

RECOGNITION

of the need for inspired leadership.



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Annual Banquet and Awards Presentation

April 23, 2020

ROCSEA Luncheon

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Join your fellow ROCSEA members from across the Province for a day spent in fellowship as we will join the OCSOA Conference to hear Fr. Michael Knox deliver his keynote address.

Your membership in ROCSEA provides you with a luncheon, an excellent program and your ROCSEA gift.

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OCSOA AGM *keynote speakers*



TIMEA NAGY

Timea Nagy will share her personal journey during the keynote address and what you, as educators and leaders in the school system, should be aware of as well as the importance of educating our youth.

Timea Nagy is a human trafficking survivor, author, speaker, and social advocate. She immigrated to Ontario in 1998. Her nightmare unfolded in Toronto that same year after arriving from Budapest, Hungary in the hopes of finding meaningful employment. Timea was held in a cheap motel at the hands of traffickers and forced to work in the sex industry. Thankfully, she escaped and began her healing journey. Ms. Nagy's journey was chronicled at the Canadian Museum for Human Rights in the Turning Point Exhibition in 2014. Her many acknowledgements for outstanding service include: Prime Minister's Volunteer Award and the Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee medal. She started Canada's first for profit corporation Timea's Cause Inc. A social enterprise to create her own funding and work with victims of human trafficking.



DR. MURRAY WATSON

"Learning from 'The Other': How Jews and Muslims Have Helped To Make Me a Better Christian"

Dr. Murray Watson is the Adult Faith Animator for the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board, based in Barrie. He is a Catholic theologian and Biblical scholar, whose graduate studies took him to Rome, Jerusalem and Dublin. Murray has taught across Canada, in Europe and in the Holy Land, and has worked for 20 years in the fields of adult faith development, formation for pastoral ministry, and interreligious dialogue, including serving on the staff of the International Council of Christians and Jews, and as part of the Canadian Christian-Jewish Consultation, representing Canada's Catholic bishops. He is honoured and grateful to be able to be part of this year's OCSOA conference.



FR. MICHAEL KNOX, S.J

In his keynote address, entitled: St. Jean de Brébeuf: A Canadian Martyr Who Embraced Life, Fr. Michael will break open the story of this extraordinary figure in our nation's history, and reflect on core realities of human life, personhood, and heroic leadership, which both propelled this Jesuit saint towards fullness of Christian life and invites us to do the same.

Fr. Michael Knox, S.J., DPhil (Oxon) is a Roman Catholic priest in the Society of Jesus (the Jesuits). After entering the order in 1997, he completed a four-year honours bachelor's degree in history at St. Michael's College, University of Toronto, followed by a diploma in philosophical studies. In 2006, he completed a MA thesis in history at Memorial University, Newfoundland. Subsequently, in 2009, he completed a Baccalaureate in Sacred Theology and a Master of Divinity at Regis College, University of Toronto, followed by License in Sacred Theology and an MA in Theology at the same school. In 2015, he completed a DPhil in history at Oxford University. Over the past twenty-two years of his religious formation, Fr. Michael has been involved in a variety of ministries that include the pastoral care to youth, event management, secondary and post-secondary education, spiritual accompaniment, seminary formation, television, preservation, writing, administration, and Sacramental ministry. He currently serves as Director of Martyrs' Shrine, Midland, Ontario, and as a lecturer at Regis College, University of Toronto.