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To: All Parish Presidents, Community Life Chairpersons

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Directive #9

"Oh Lord, please give me a humble servant's heart, help me to lead & follow with humility & compassion"

It is a New Year; New hopes. New promises and new-, or repeated from last year's resolutions. How many are we going to keep? But don't give up. If you don't at first succeed, try try try again. Make realistic promises to yourself. This is important.

Dignity and Rights of Persons: Much has been written about this very serious issue. I repeat this from my May Directive:

- **<u>Did you know:</u>** Did you know? \$32 billion are made worldwide on human trafficking
- average age 13 ½ years for prostitution. There is a direct link between pornography & human trafficking.
- \$96 billion is made in pornography each year
- 68 billion daily internet searches for porn.
- In Canada 90% of the victims of human trafficking are Canadians,
- Indigenous woman & youth are especially vulnerable
- 2 websites for more info; www.thetraffickedhuman.org, and www.rcmpgrc.gc.ca/http/index-eng.htm. (as per info received)

As if this is not enough I recently received info on a more horrific crime; Organ Harvesting without the individual's permission

In the Epoch Times Toronto Edition: it states; "According to the World Health Organization in 2007, trafficked organs accounted for an estimated 10 percent of the organ transplants performed around the world without the donors permission". Many countries have already passed legislation banning trafficking in human organs; it is hoped that Canada will join the list. The trafficking of human organs is a HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE; The hope is that the private member's Bill S-240 would pass as: "anyone who receives an organ or tissue knowing that the person from whom it was taken did not give informed consent, would be committing a crime. Please inform yourself on this horrific crime. Allegedly in China, harvesting human organs without consent happens often and without proper anesthetic, from prisoners of conscience, and Falun Gong prisoners of conscience while they are still alive. It was first exposed in a 2006 report by Canadian lawyers David Matas and David Kilgour I will write more on this horrible issue in my next directive. . It is said that in China- one report estimates that between 60,000;

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and 100,000 organs are being transplanted in Chinese hospitals every year. Please pray that our Government will pass the Bill S-240, and make it a criminal offence accepting human organs that have been obtained by unconsented means. This Bill will create a real disincentive for people who might otherwise be involved in this horrible practice.

<u>Human Rights: FACTS:</u> 1. Here is an excerpt from the Canadian government document for 2018 application, clearly stating what signing attestation is (**Applications from employers for summer jobs funding**)

https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/funding/Canada-summerjobs.html please read it and please keep in mind that it clearly states that "other rights" and "associated case law" clearly trumps the Constitution and its Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms

One quotation states: In order to receive federal Canada job grants, employers must attest that:

• Both the job and the organization's core mandate respect individual human rights in Canada, including the values underlining the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms as well as other rights. These include reproductive rights and the right to be free from discrimination on the basis of sex, religion, race national or ethnic origin, colour, mental or physical disability, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression.

The new criteria were sent to all MPs and will be or have been already made public when Canada Summer Jobs Program officially opened'

What does that exactly mean? Canada Government will fund Jobs at Abortion Clinics? Canada Government will not fund summer jobs in a Respect for Life organization? Funds for any student summer jobs unless employer support abortion (LGBT BBQ) rights. Is this what we could call discrimination? What about new candidates who were supporting abortion can only run for the Liberal party?

 $\underline{Http://nationalpost.com/news/politics/justin-trudeau-says-antiabortion-candidates-cant-run-as-liberals}$

Discrimination? There is so much information available. To read more click the link while holding down the control key. Scroll down until you see the article. When questioned, Trudeau said "Religious Groups mustn't be discouraged to apply for Summer Job Funds.

Development and Peace: We need for ever to be diligent about our own indigenous people. Never tire of being alert. Be not a silent citizen when you see a wrong. That is the easy way out, but we need not to be trouble makers and see wrongs everywhere. **The Homeless Initiative Program** is active in all communities. Here we can be informed & help. Also continue to be alert of Elder Abuse Attention to the Rohingya Refugee Crisis is still a growing concern. Until next time: Let's do the best we can.

Blessings to all.

Helga, Community Life.

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