To: All Parish Presidents, Community Life Chairperson

CC: London Diocesan Council, Mary Capobianco OPC Community Life Chairperson

From Pat Sloan, Community Life Chairperson

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Directive # 5

To begin this season of Lent, let us be mindful of the 3 Pillars of Lent.

PRAYER: "This Lent please pray for the efforts of Mission Priests, Religious Sisters and Brothers and lay pastoral leaders in the Pope's missions, each of whom is making a difference for vulnerable communities in our world." Pope's Missions At this time keep Ukraine in your prayers.

FASTING: This lent as you fast for a specific intention remember the work of the missions around the world.

**ALMSGIVING:** Please support Development and Peace's Share Lent Campaign and The 1% Project.

Ways to donate to Ukraine that are safe:

- 1. Catholic Near East Welfare Association CNEWA https://cnewa.org/ca/campaigns/ukraine/
- **2. Development and Peace** <a href="https://www.devp.org/en/wp\_press\_release/solidarity-prayers-and-support-for-ukraine">https://www.devp.org/en/wp\_press\_release/solidarity-prayers-and-support-for-ukraine</a>
- **3. Red Cross** <a href="https://donate.redcross.ca/page/100227/donate/1?locale=en-CA">https://donate.redcross.ca/page/100227/donate/1?locale=en-CA</a>

Closer to home let us not forget the homeless. Homelessness has exploded over the last 2 years across Canada in cities large and small.

Assumption University's Fr. Joseph Quinn Social Justice Series on April 29,2022 at 10am is offering a presentation and the topic is Homelessness with a theme focused on "the power of one"

Here is the YouTube Link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch">https://www.youtube.com/watch</a>?V=gB6k8qg68hc

God Bless,

Pat