



ANNUAL REPORT

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Fruit of the Mission

Get a glimpse into the ministry of the Leamington and Retreat teams so far this year. The Holy Spirit is moving!



We, the NET retreat team for 2022-23, have had an amazing start to our ministry so far!

October 2022

Even though we have only just begun our ministry, we have already had many incredible experiences, and encountered over 700 youth in the first month alone! A large number of youth have shared with us how they've encountered God during our retreats. A few retreatants told us after one retreat that they wanted to start practicing their faith themselves by praying daily, reading the Bible, and attending youth group. There was also one youth in grade 11 who started a retreat by saying that she wasn't sure whether she believed in God or not; however, by the end of the retreat, **she not only believed in Him but also said she wanted to commit to a relationship with Him!**

One of the most important parts of our retreats is prayer ministry, when we get to pray with each of the youth. We have been so blessed to witness the Holy Spirit moving at these times; indeed, many of our retreatants have had personal encounters with Jesus! Some have experienced His love for them, and were so overwhelmed that they could not hold back their tears. One retreatant even felt that the burden she was carrying at the time was lifted off her shoulders.

As a team, we have grown considerably in the first month of our ministry. Getting the chance to pray together daily, drive together for countless hours and spend time together on our days off have made us grow close to each other; it's crazy to think that we've only known each other a few months! As we continue our ministry in the coming weeks, we are very excited to grow closer as a team and travel to parts of the country we've yet to encounter. However, most of all, we are thrilled that we will be able to encounter even more teens and share with them our faith and our joy.

God bless,
The Retreat team (Chris, Amy, Adam, Jean-François, Sabin, Aoife, Estelle)



Leamington, ON Team

November 2022

On behalf of the Leamington team I'd like to share a bit about the current parts of our mission, and all the wonders God is working through us! Leamington being located on the shores of Lake Erie reminds us of God's love and mercy - something that we can translate into our ministry. The vastness of His love floods within us and we have no choice but to share it with all who we encounter! We begin each day excited to build relationships with the youth and bring the gift of our faith to them.

Starting up our school visits has been a great way to get to know the students; it's been a blessing to see the students' curiosity about who we are and why we chose to become missionaries. Their curiosity in us has opened the door for conversation about following the call of the Lord and doing His will! We recently had the ninth graders join us for a retreat about revealing our true selves before God and the walls we often put up between



us and Him, a topic to which many of our retreatants could relate too. After one of the talks, a retreatant expressed how much he personally related to the testimony given. He said he went

through a similar struggle of rooting his identity in others and was thankful to hear that he wasn't alone in this situation.

We as a team have been blessed with the opportunity to minister here! We look forward to not only growing closer as a team but as a community of young Catholics. Something that we are particularly looking forward to is starting up our youth nights! It'll be a great way to foster healthy conversations about the faith in an out-of-school setting, while also having a lot of fun. Life in community is such an important thing we've experienced together as a team, so we can't wait to see this instilled among the youth!

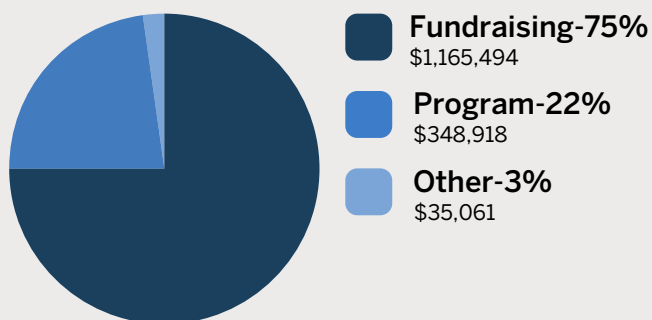
Know that you are in our prayers, and we ask that you continue to pray for us too. We look forward to sharing more of the amazing works of God in the months to come!

With Our Most Blessed Mother,
The Leamington Team (Anna, Lucas, Thomas, Hailey, and Marie)

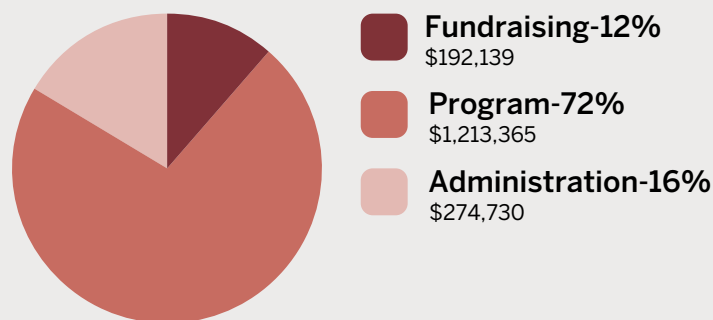


Annual Report 2021-22

Revenue \$1,549,473



Expenses \$1,680,234



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A couple days ago, we had our first senior youth night. We had a group discussion, and one of the questions I asked was "What is one spiritual goal that you'd like to set and how are you going to go about doing it?" Some of them answered that they'd want to increase the amount they pray, start praying more. One girl shared that she'd like to pursue the saint that she picked on all saints day, to continue to pray to that saint and grow in holiness through their intercession. She also shared that the one big goal that she has in life is to "Get to heaven, to meet Jesus and give Him the biggest hug!" It was so beautiful seeing this group of young people on fire for their faith!

- Marie Levesque

Encountering God


There are many steps along the way to a relationship with Jesus Christ. Each step is a "yes", a movement towards Jesus. Here are some stories of steps being taken by young people this year.

At the start of the retreat, one of the girls in my small group was unsure whether she believed in God or not. By this last small group, however, after all the experiences of the retreat, she not only believed but wanted to engage in a relationship with God.

- JF Dacquay

During a one-day retreat we led in Calgary, I had the opportunity to journey with one youth in my small group. At first he said he wasn't sure whether he believed in God or not; his family "wasn't very Catholic" and didn't practice their faith much. However, after prayer time, during our last small group, he told me that he wanted to spend less time on his phone and more time praying. He then asked me for a commitment card, so that he could grow closer in a relationship with God. I noticed therefore that the youth grew a lot in his faith, even in the space of a single day.

- Chris Pettapiece



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