

ARCHBISHOP THOMAS C. COLLINS

Archbishop of Toronto

Motto: “Deum Adora”: “Worship God” (Apocalypse 22:9)

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

- Dates Birth: Jan. 16, 1947
Ordination to the Diaconate: May 14, 1972
Ordination to the Priesthood: May 5, 1973
Ordination to the Episcopate: May 14, 1997
- Born in Guelph, Ontario.
- Ordained to the Priesthood in Cathedral of Christ the King, Hamilton, Ontario, by Most Reverend Paul Reding.
- Ordained to the Episcopate in Cathedral of Christ the King, Hamilton, Ontario, by Most Reverend Anthony Tonnos.
- Installed as Bishop of Saint Paul, Alberta, June 30, 1997.
- Installed as Archbishop of Edmonton, Alberta, June 7, 1999.
- Apostolic Administrator of Saint Paul, Alberta, March 26, 2001 – November 9, 2001.
- Installed as Archbishop of Toronto, Ontario, January 30, 2007.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

- Bachelor of Arts (English), St. Jerome’s College, Waterloo, Ontario.
- 1973 Bachelor of Theology (B.Th.), St. Peter’s Seminary, London, Ontario.
- M.A. (English), University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario.
- Licentiate in Sacred Scripture (S.S.L), Pontifical Biblical Institute, Rome.
- Doctorate in Theology (S.T.D.), Gregorian University, Rome.
Dissertation: *Apocalypse 22:6-21 as the Focal Point of Moral Teaching and Exhortation in the Apocalypse*, Director: Rev. Ugo Vanni, SJ.

PREVIOUS POSITIONS

- 1973 Associate Pastor, Holy Rosary Parish, Burlington, Ontario.
Associate Pastor, Christ the King Cathedral, Hamilton, Ontario.
Teacher & Chaplain, Cathedral Boys' High School, Hamilton, Ontario.
- 1978 Lecturer, Department of English, King's College, University of Western Ontario.
- 1978 Lecturer in Scripture, St. Peter's Seminary, London, Ontario.
- 1981 Group Leader & Spiritual Director, St. Peter's Seminary, London, Ontario.
- 1985 Associate Professor of Scripture, St. Peter's Seminary, London, Ontario.
- 1989 Associate Editor, *Discover the Bible*.
- 1992 Dean of Theology, St. Peter's Seminary, London, Ontario.
Vice-Rector, St. Peter's Seminary, London, Ontario.
- 1995 Rector of. Peter's Seminary, London, Ontario.
- 1997-99 Bishop of St. Paul, Alberta.
- 1997 Member of the National Commission of Theology, Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB).
- 1999-01 Chairman of the National Commission of Theology, CCCB.
- 1999-03 Member of CCCB Permanent Council.
- 2000-02 Member of the Organizing Committee of WYD 2002 in Toronto, Canada.
- 2001-03 Chairman of the National Commission on Christian Unity, CCCB.
- 1999-07 President, Alberta Conference of Catholic Bishops.
- 1999-07 Chairman, Newman Theological College Board of Governors, Edmonton.
- 1999-07 Chairman, St. Joseph's College Board of Governors, University of Alberta, Edm.
- 1999-07 Member of Board of Directors, Caritas Health Group, Edmonton.
- 1999-07 Member of Board of Directors, Alberta Catholic Health Corporation.

Author of numerous publications, pastoral letters and reflections.