



The Coat of Arms of The Most Reverend Vincent Nguyen

The shield of Bishop Nguyen's coat of arms is on a standard bearing a cross with the five wounds of Christ. The shield is divided into two main sections. The top section is based on the Book of Revelations 7:9, where the multitude of martyrs, with palm branches in their hands, stand before the throne of the Lamb. The drop of blood flanked by two palm branches has special family significance for Bishop Nguyen as his great-great-grandfather is one of the Vietnamese Martyrs. The bottom half symbolizes not only the mandate given to the Apostles to be fishers of men, but also recognizes the Bishop as one of the boat people who came to Canada from Vietnam.

His motto "Ego Vobiscum Sum" (I am with you) are the words of Jesus at the end of Matthew's Gospel (Mt 28:20). It is a reminder to the bishop that the Triune God is with him as he responds to his Episcopal call to be present and involved with the People of God as they together bear witness to Christ.