

Together in Faith

2,000 staff members expected at St. Denis Centre event



Religious education consultant Betty Brush takes a short break during set up for the Together in Faith Day at the St. Denis Centre.

(Windsor, Ontario, Sept. 25, 2014) – For someone like Betty Brush, this Friday might be one of the most important days of the year.

“It’s a reminder of who we are and what we stand for,” the WECDSB’s religious education consultant says of *Together in Faith Day*. “I think it centers us, and grounds us, and it reminds us of why we chose the ministry of Catholic education. We’re so blessed to be able to do this.”

About 2,000 employees from the board are expected to attend the event at the University of Windsor’s St. Denis Centre. Besides celebrating mass, there will be inspirational messages from Most Reverend Ronald Fabbro, Bishop of London; Director of Education Paul Picard; Board Chairperson Barbara Holland; and Michael Way Skinner, the coordinator of religion, family life, adult faith and equity at the York Catholic District School Board.

Faith formation superintendent Mike Seguin said besides reinvigorating the faith of staff members, the event is an excellent reminder of how faith distinguishes the board.

“It’s the foundation of everything we do and it’s an integral aspect of our lives and our learning,” he said. “The board provides meaningful, ongoing Catholic faith formation for all students and employees, and *Together in Faith Day* is an opportunity to inspire staff to celebrate their faith and continue to emphasize it in everything they do.”

The theme of this year’s event is *Abide in My Love*.

“That’s what Jesus tells us,” said Brush. “He teaches us to love our students and to help those who are the most in need.”

After the morning’s event, there will be professional development activities in the afternoon for teachers, educational assistants, and para-professionals.

Staff members are reminded to park at Mic Mac Park and take one of three shuttle buses to the St. Denis Centre. The buses run at 8, 8:15 and 8:30 a.m.