

OECTA PRAYER

Creator God, we praise you,
the source of all life.
Renew our faith and guide us in our
ministry as Catholic teachers.
Let us touch the hearts and
minds of those with whom we work.
Lord Jesus, share with us your counsel,
so we may choose knowledge over
ignorance, wisdom over waste, peace over
injustice, community over isolation
and service over domination.
Holy spirit, nurture our growth. Inspire
us to give birth to the creative powers
within us. Let us come to the fullness of
life promised in the Gospel.
Amen.

OECTA PLEDGE

I pledge to work for the goal of
Christian education which is to
co-operate with Divine grace in
forming the true perfect Christian.
I promise to obey the rules and
regulations of the Ontario
English Catholic Teachers' Association
and to fulfill my duties as a member.

Honouring the land and Territory

Halton, as we know it today, is rich in the history of many first nations and the Metis. From the Lands of the Anishinabe to the Attawandaron, the Haudenosaunee, and the Metis, these lands surrounding the Great Lakes are steeped in Indigenous history.

As we gather today on these treaty lands, our Catholic Social Teachings call us in Solidarity with our Indigenous brothers and sisters to honour and respect the four directions, lands, waters, plants, animals and ancestors that walked before us.

All these wonderful elements of creation exist, gifted to us by our Creator God. We acknowledge and thank the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation for being stewards of this traditional territory.