



Cardinal Carter

April 6

Who was Cardinal Carter?

Cardinal Gerald Emmett Carter was a prominent Canadian and served as the Archbishop of Toronto from 1978 until his retirement in 1990. Born on March 1, 1912, and ordained as a priest in 1937, he became known for his dedication to social justice and interfaith dialogue. His commitment to education was also evident during his tenure as the Archbishop, where he established new parishes and schools, leaving a lasting impact on the Catholic community in Toronto.

Cardinal Carter's feast day is celebrated on April 6th, marking the anniversary of his death in 2003. This day is significant because it offers the Catholic community an opportunity to remember and honour his contributions to the Church and society.

Cardinal Carter was important not only for his leadership within the Church but also for his involvement in various humanitarian causes. He was a strong advocate for social justice, emphasizing the Church's role in addressing issues of poverty, inequality and human rights. His dedication to interfaith dialogue helped foster understanding and cooperation among different religious communities.

On his feast day, Catholics may attend special Masses held in his honour, reflecting on his legacy and the values he stood for. The celebration serves as a reminder of the impact individuals can have when guided by principles of compassion, justice and faith.

In addition to his pastoral work, Cardinal Carter was known for his intellectual prowess, having obtained a doctorate in theology from the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. He also served as a member of the College of Cardinals, participating in the conclave that elected Pope John Paul II.

In summary, Cardinal Gerald Emmett Carter's feast day on April 6th commemorates his life, leadership and contributions to the Catholic Church and society. Celebrated with Masses and reflections, it serves as a time for the faithful to honour his legacy of social justice, interfaith dialogue and educational initiatives. His impact on the Church and his dedication to humanitarian causes continue to inspire those who celebrate his feast day.

[Cardinal Carter CHS Website](#)

[Our Lady of Grace Parish Website](#)



Quotes

"Faith is a reality and a force in our lives that can strengthen and encourage us, not only when we are well but also when we are sick or suffering. It can give us the courage to face the reality of our lives and the challenges that come our way."

"Hope is not just wishful thinking; it is a deep trust in God's promises. Even in the face of challenges and uncertainties, we can find hope in our faith and in the belief that God is with us on our journey."

Prayer

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit;

Heavenly Father,

We come before you in gratitude for the life and legacy of Cardinal Gerald Emmett Carter. We thank you for the wisdom, compassion and faith that he brought to the Church and to the world. As we remember him on this day, we lift up our hearts in prayer.

Blessed Lord, we thank you for the ways in which Cardinal Carter tirelessly worked for social justice, advocating for the poor and marginalized. May his commitment to building a more just and compassionate society inspire us to follow in his footsteps.

We thank you for Cardinal Carter's dedication to education, recognizing its profound impact on shaping hearts and minds. May his example encourage us to value the transformative power of knowledge and wisdom.

Lord, we also remember Cardinal Carter's commitment to interfaith dialogue, promoting understanding and cooperation among people of different beliefs. May his efforts continue to bear fruit in fostering unity and respect among diverse communities.

As we commemorate Cardinal Carter's life, we pray for all those he touched through his ministry and leadership. May your grace continue to be with the Church, guiding us in our journey of faith and service.

Eternal Father, we entrust Cardinal Gerald Emmett Carter into your loving arms. May he enjoy the eternal peace and joy of your presence. We pray that his legacy may endure, inspiring future generations to live out their faith with dedication and love.

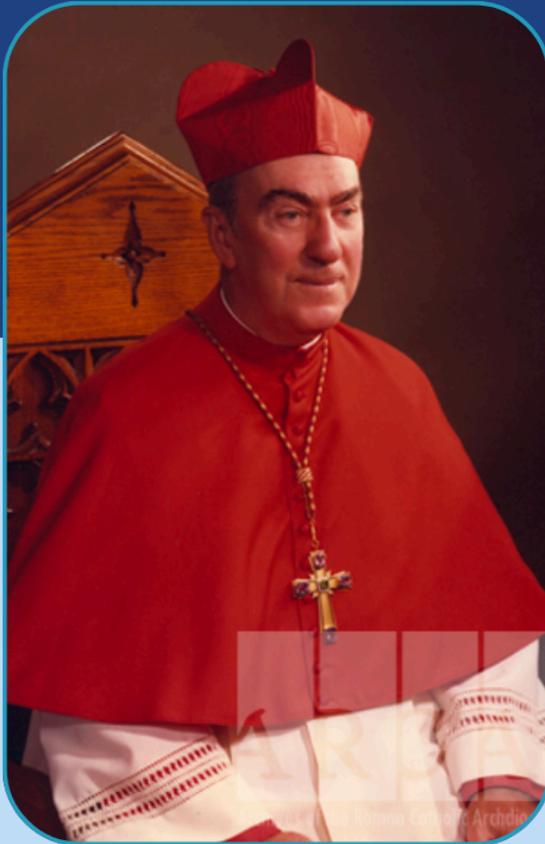
In the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour, we offer this prayer.

Amen.





York Catholic District School Board



FEAST DAY:
April 6

SCHOOL LOCATION:
Aurora, ON

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