

A Welcome From the Catholics of London



The words of those qualified to speak have proclaimed to the world the manner in which you, Canadian soldiers, have answered the call of the Empire to the battlefields of Europe. Across the length and breadth of every continent has gone the story of your devotion to duty in every branch of Canada's marvellous service, the records of your heroic achievements which have played so great a part in vindicating a righteous cause by definite victory. Keenly realizing the extent of the sacrifices you have made, and grateful to God, who has brought you safe home, the Catholics of the City of London join with their fellow citizens in the word of heartfelt welcome to you as they join most willingly in the continuation of the work which, during and after the war, must be their part, in the payment of the just debt to this great Dominion of ours and to its Defenders, that by a closer co-operation in the service of City and Country, peace, the fruit of Victory, may bring those blessings for which it is requisite.

The Catholic Churches of the City of London are at all times open to you; the Clergy and laity unite in offering those services which they may be capable of rendering; the Knights of Columbus Catholic Army Huts of London gladly extend to you its hospitality.

It is the deeply sincere wish of all that to the sufferings and hardships of the past months, so bravely borne, may succeed happiness and prosperity of many years—the reward which is your due.

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