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Young Spiritans

The 2014 Libermann Medal was presented to the Young Spiritans of Neil McNeil High School, Toronto and their teacher advisors. Founded in 2008, the Young Spiritans advocate for human rights and global issues. These young leaders also assist students struggling to find their way in the school community and work one on one with students who may be struggling academically. Through food drives and charitable fundraising, through school events and activities, through working with refugees, they live out the Spiritan motto, One Heart and One Soul.

We congratulate these Young Spiritans and we are proud of our continued connection with Neil McNeil High School.

Beat the Priest and the Sisters

Carlyle Guiseppi CSSp

At the beginning of Spring we embarked on a project of awareness, competitive fun and encouragement at Our Lady Of Good Counsel Parish, Toronto. The project — a planting competition among ourselves entitled Beat The Priest and Beat the Sisters — was designed to expose hidden talents, discover new ones and become the 2014 Planter of the Year and the Runner-Up.

My garden consists of pots and planters on my verandah three storeys high. It gets sun only in the morning. But the whole idea is to use whatever space we have to plant — thereby eating healthier and lowering our food and medical bills through whatever grows in the yard, pot or other container.

Everyone who plants is already a winner, but it is specially designed to encourage our youth by passing on to them a planting tradition we all grew up with in the Caribbean and Africa. Some of the parishioner planters report that they have discovered an added benefit: in taking care of their crops, the gospels seem to come alive for them.

The token winner’s prize is $50 plus a Challenge Trophy.

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