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Dear Father,

Cardinal Newman, who was canonized on October 13, took as his motto as a Cardinal: *cor ad cor loquitur* – heart speaks to heart.

This phrase succinctly describes how to live a Christian life. It's not about "lips speaking to the ears" – what we tell others about our faith. Rather, it's the love we demonstrate through a heartfelt personal encounter, through which our neighbour physically experiences the love of the Lord God in our midst.

One particular way heart speaks to heart is through our annual ShareLife appeal. For the second year in a row, our parishioners raised \$13 million for those in need. With deep gratitude, I thank you and your parish community for all you have done for the success of our campaign. From the hard work of our priests, parish staff and volunteers, to the selfless generosity of our parishioners, each contribution represents an act of love.

Heart speaks to heart when a counsellor attentively listens to a widow expressing her grief. When an isolated senior makes a new friend at a drop-in program. When a social worker journeys with a man recovering from addiction.

These are not cold interactions, but matters of the heart. Likewise, supporting ShareLife is not an unfeeling act of obligation. It is a manifestation of the Living God: "just as you did it to one of the least of these, you did it to me."

Your support of ShareLife is bringing God's love to those in greatest need, here in our archdiocese and around the world. On behalf of ShareLife agencies and the thousands of people they help, thank you.

Yours sincerely in Our Lord,

+ Thomas Card. Collins

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