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## Parish & Community

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Corporate Campaign School & Youth Zone

We give thanks to the thousands of volunteers and donors who have been caring for the marginalized in our community since ShareLife began in 1976. At the same time, we invite new supporters to join the ShareLife family and answer the call to provide renewed life to those who will turn to us this year It stime to ShareLife!

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Shared Insights ... by Arthur Peters, Executive Director

## SPREADING THE WORD

(May 1, 2008) As we enter May, the progress report for ShareLife has a lot of good news and a bit of bad news, too. I'm very happy to tell you we have rounded the halfway mark in our journey toward our 2008 parish campaign goal of \$12.0 million, making up some of the \$1 million shortfall we originally experienced in the campaign. Unfortunately, we remain 10% or \$730,000 behind last year's progress at this point in the campaign.

We continue to appeal to Catholics in the Archdiocese of Toronto through the mail and public speeches to make a contribution to ShareLife as we work to assist the 34 agencies and 11 grant recipients that are supported through your generosity.

If you haven't made a contribution as of yet, please consider doing so and encourage your friends and neighbours to do so as well. The third in-parish collection for the campaign takes place on the weekend of May 31-June 1st.

There are many examples of how ShareLife makes a positive difference in our Archdiocese and around the world. As we experience warmer weather, I think about the 400 young boys who will receive a summer camp experience as a result of our efforts. In our new DVD, the Camp Director tells viewers about a camper who arrived for his week-long stay with nothing more than a bag of ketchup chips. The staff of our agency went out to obtain clothing for the boy, and then provided him with a memorable experience of fun and fellowship.

The Director of the camp is Joe Gorman, who will soon be ordained a Priest of the Archdiocese of Toronto, after completing his studies at St. Augustine's Seminary (also supported through ShareLife funding). We congratulate Deacon Joe Gorman on his upcoming ordination, and pray for him and all seminarians who are to be ordained on May 10th.

Thank you for your ongoing support of ShareLife.

Sincerely,

Arthur Peters,

Executive Director, ShareLife