



Diocese of Pembroke, Ontario

To Whom it May Concern,

Our time with Anthony here in our Diocese was truly a blessing for all. He had 5 talks to do in 3 days and amazingly he gave each talk, including the last one, with as much passion and energy as the first. It didn't matter if there were 200 or 20 people listening, he gave every ounce of energy into what he was saying and spoke with great conviction. His thoughts and ideas flowed like honey and he rarely referred to his notes.

Within half an hour after we picked Antony up at the airport we felt like we were his best friends. We connected on such a personal and spiritual level so quickly. It was like spirit speaking to spirit and we all felt lifted up and on a bit of a spiritual high. We sang praise and worship music together and shed tears of joy at the Glory of God. It was a very special time.

Anthony is a prayerful man who daily seeks the will of God and is docile to the promptings of the Holy Spirit. Right away this was evident as we prayed together before his talks and when a song called "Oceans" was played that touched his heart in a deep way. He was moved by the words of the song "I am yours and you are mine". I believe we were all moved.

He has a way of connecting to any age group. The youth and adults of our diocese were moved with emotion at the evident mercy of God in Anthony's testimony. His message is one of hope. Hope for all those parents who may have a difficult teen who is turning away from their faith. Hope for priests that even the worst sinner can turn back to God and be transformed. Hope for those who pray for sinners on a regular basis that God does hear and answer prayers. What an amazing story. I'm so glad that he shares this with so many people...you would think he would tire of telling his testimony but he never does. I say, "keep up the Lord's work Anthony and God will bless you as you have never known".

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