



Peterborough Victoria  
Northumberland and Clarington  
Catholic District School Board

<b>BOARD POLICY</b>	
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## **POLICY TITLE**

School Masses

### **1.0 PURPOSE**

The Peterborough Victoria Northumberland and Clarington Catholic District School Board is committed to ensuring that the Mass is an integral part of each student's life.

### **2.0 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Peterborough Victoria Northumberland and Clarington Catholic District School Board that its school staff prepare students for Mass throughout the school year.

### **3.0 GUIDELINES**

- 3.1 Mass shall be celebrated at the parish or school as designated in the "Animating Catholic Teaching" (ACT) Pastoral Plan.
- 3.2 School staff and the celebrant for the Mass shall work together to plan the Mass.
- 3.3 The Office of Faith Development shall resource the planning process with liturgical information and planning templates as developed.
- 3.4 The planning of school Masses shall respect the liturgical seasons, feasts/solemnities/memorials and the liturgical requirements outlined in the current ORDO.

**4.0 TERMS AND DEFINITIONS****4.1 “ANIMATING CATHOLIC TEACHING” (ACT) PASTORAL PLAN**

“Animating Catholic Teaching” (ACT) Pastoral Plan is a planning tool for the development of the school’s pastoral plan in co-operation with the priests.

**4.2 ORDO**

The ORDO is a book published annually that delineates specific requirements for the good celebration of the liturgy.

**5.0 REFERENCES/RELATED DOCUMENTS**

“Animating Catholic Teaching” (ACT) Pastoral Plan

**6.0 RELATED POLICIES**

Policy 812, Role of the Priest in the School

**7.0 RELATED FORMS**

“Animating Catholic Teaching” (ACT) Pastoral Plan Template

**8.0 APPROVED BY BOARD**

March 23, 2004

**9.0 EFFECTIVE DATE**

January 22, 2013

**10.0 POLICY REVIEW DATE**

January 2018

**11.0 REVIEW BY**

Office of Faith Development