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The bishop's pastoral letter and Easter greeting.

In these next few days our Lenten experience will draw to a close and will open to the experience of the Triduum and Easter.

Some describe Lent as a desert experience of God, with extra efforts at self-denial to focus us on Him, our neighbours and ourselves as part of the community of the Church. I think of this season more in terms of a spiritual journey, wherein as we move along we seek out God's presence to take note of the varied manifestations of God in our daily lives. It may be a quiet presence in prayer, a tangible presence in the Liturgy, a warm and loving presence through and in our relationships with others.

The journey will culminate in these coming days of the Triduum where we celebrate God in our lives through his Son's experience of human life, in the context of his intimate relationship with apostles and disciples, in suffering, death and newness of life and hope given in the Resurrection.

May these days of the central mysteries of our faith bring to new light the joys of life in Christ, our brother and Son of God. He continues to live and walk with us as we continue on.

Happy Easter to all.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading '+ Donald J. Thériault'.

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