

# David Clinton Warren

## Ordination Dates

Deaconate      Date: May 20, 1980      Diocese: Toronto  
Priesting      Date: May 11, 1981      Diocese: Toronto

## Family

Born: 2 July, 1953 - Niagara Falls, ON  
Married (1980), three children

## Academic Background and Professional Qualifications

Highlights of my academic qualifications include Post Graduate Studies in Ethics, Counseling, and Health and Spirituality (St. Paul's University).

Qualified to be an instructor in areas of Suicide Prevention, Harassment, Diversity and Sexual Harassment, and Racism Prevention; lectured on the same in Toronto, Brampton, Aurora and Barrie. Received Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training and Critical Incident Stress Management in order to assist care teams and individuals; completed required Supervisor and Management Training ( Department of National Defense - DND) prior to taking up the position of Brigade Chaplain Team Leader; Courses in Parish Management Consultation and Developing Parish Spirituality – Toronto Schools of Theology (TST); College for Excellence in Preaching.

1977-1980	M.Div.	TST/Wycliffe
1976-1977	B.A. (Psychology)	Waterloo
1972-1976	B.R.E. (Pastoral)	Ontario Bible College (Tyndale)

## Parish Placements and Ministry History

April 1, 1998 to present	Incumbent	St. George's, Allandale (Barrie)
Oct. 1990 to Mar. 1998	Incumbent	St. Andrew's, Alliston
June 1983 to Sept. 1990	Incumbent	The Parish of Caledon East
May 1980 to June 1983	Curate	Christ Church, Scarborough

## Appointments and Committee work:

2014	Canon, Diocese of Toronto
2013 to present	Regional Dean - Nottawasaga
2013 to present	Area Council
2007 to 2011	Area Council
2007 to 2011	Diocesan Council (includes Budget Committee)
1995 – 1998	Regional Dean -Tecumseth
1987 - 2005	Planning and Development Board: Chaired - Planning and Facilities sub-committees; Member: Clergy Housing Review; Sacred Space - Doctrine and Worship Committee.

## Significant Professional Development Initiatives:

Current area of study is Post Traumatic Growth – developing spiritual resilience to face and grow through traumatic life experiences. Suffering, to a greater or lesser degree, is part of our lives, so a faith which is able to live, grow and experience the grace of God in the midst of this brokenness is authentic and inspirational.

Attentiveness to the Missional Process is imperative if we are to reach the communities in which we are located. My personal initiative in this regard has been to offer programs such as guided meditation, which encourages people to stop and listen to the Holy Spirit. The journey continues as we also listen to each other and the community around us, enabling us all to hear God's call to a living faith, which for us is deeply rooted in our Anglican spirituality.

Other professional development initiatives include:

- 32 Canadian Battle Group (CBG) Chaplain Retreat Leader
- Natural Church Development to encourage broader community ministry.
- Narrative Budget Development (Stewardship Program)
- Guided Meditation Training and Workshops
- Effective use of "Town Hall Meetings"

## Military Career (Summary)

CANADIAN MILITARY: 1995 – 2013

Rank at retirement: Major

Decorations: Canadian Decoration, Serving Brother Order of St John

Awards: The Cardinal Roy Award for Ecumenical Team Ministry; 32 CBG (Toronto) Commander's Commendation (x 2); 33 CBG (Ottawa) Commander's Commendation.

This has resulted in 17 years of ecumenical ministry in the GTA, culminating as Brigade Chaplain 32 CBG (covering Greater Toronto Region - GTR) supervising 10 Chaplains of various denominations and faith groups including recruiting, training, evaluation, and employment coordination both inside and outside of Canada. Also a Next of Kin notification team member and notification coordinator for the GTA(R) for those injured or killed while serving in the Canadian Military.

This ministry has included team support and guidance activities, such as the Coordination and Planning for Spiritual Support to Joint Canadian/US Military Exercises; and Primary Chaplain for Domestic and Cross Border Exercises (2012). Participation in the "Battle Mind – Deployment Support" program (DND) focusing on human resilience in crisis situations; Pre-Deployment Training 2006, 2011; Basic Chaplain Writing Board and Training Board (training development); the Intermediate Chaplain Course and the Peace Keeping and Humanitarian Operations Course.

## Community Involvement

2015 – present

Ontario Representative for Wounded Warriors Canada

<http://woundedwarriors.ca/about-wwc/our-team/provincial-coordinators/david-warren/>

2015

Participant in WW Battlefield Bike Ride (France – Holland)

2014

Participant in WW Battlefield Bike Rides (France)

2006 - 2011

St. John Ambulance Chaplain, South Simcoe Muskoka Board

- 2000 – 2005 St. J.A. South Simcoe Muskoka, Board of Directors: Local, Provincial and National awards.
- 2005 Bosnian Refugee Support Team – Base Borden and St. George’s, Barrie that led to St. George’s sponsoring a family to relocate in Barrie, and building a Habitat for Humanity home.
- 1992 – 1998 Head of the Pastoral Care Department, Stevenson Memorial Hospital, Alliston: General Chaplaincy and ER Debriefing Facilitator.

**Hobbies**

Golf and sailing.

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“God has given David Warren a variety of gifts and experiences pertinent to the office of Bishop. Service in city and rural parishes, and on various Diocesan Councils/Committees have equipped him with an understanding of ministry in various contexts. Military training and chaplaincy work have provided experience in the oversight of other chaplains and opportunities to engage the church and unchurched with the Gospel. Personal adversity has strengthened David's faith, compassion, empathy and joy in Jesus Christ. He is a dynamic communicator with a deep spirituality, love of God, and keen sense of humour. David is uniquely well suited for guiding the Church into the future.” BGen (Ret.) John Hayter