

## Thanksgiving message From Bishop Noël Simard October 11th 2021

It is right and just to give thanks!

It is already autumn, the time of the harvest, the time of a nature that is dressed in all its autumnal finery and that invites us to admire and contemplate.

In the context of a pandemic that never ends and that puts our patience and serenity to the test, it is important, even vital, to take a renewed look at nature, at people, at events. It is necessary to regain a sense of gratitude. May the feast of Thanksgiving inspire in us a sense of wonder and gratitude for all the health care and essential services provided by courageous and dedicated people! May this feast turn our eyes to God to recognize all the good he has given us and to thank him for all his gifts, both material and spiritual!

Thank you for life and thank you to God who gives generously!

Thanks to all of you, dear diocesan men and women!

Happy Thanksgiving and with my blessing,

Bishop of Valleyfield