



SERRA'S 79TH INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
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CONVENTION VENUE

Sheraton Centre Hotel

123 Queen Street, Toronto ON M5H 2M9

[The Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel](#) is a downtown hotel within walking distance of parks, corporate offices, live theatres, night clubs and world-class steakhouses. Take a short taxi ride (recommended) to the Sheraton Centre Hotel or walk 4 blocks north on York St. to Queen St.
Our hotel boasts the largest indoor/outdoor pool in the city.

View some of our convention venue through this Virtual Hotel Tour Link:

<http://www.remotevisit.com/vr/sheraton/toronto/>

Click to access a short video on our Meetings & Events at the Sheraton Centre:

<https://vimeo.com/226795115>

ARRIVAL GUIDANCE

BY AIR TO PEARSON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT:

- A. As you exit from the Customs area into the main hall, take the ramp to your left and you will immediately see the escalator on the other side of the hall
- B. Take the escalator to the upper level and walk across the walkway immediately to your right to the parking garage
- C. Turn left and follow the signs to the UP Express to arrive at the train platform where you will purchase your tickets (about \$10 CAD each and ask for the Senior's discounted rate)
- D. Train departs every half hour and it's a 30 minute ride to Union Station (which is like Grand Central Station in NY)
- E. When you arrive at Union Station, exit to your right where you will the entrance to Union Station building
- F. Immediately then turn left to exit outside to York St. on your left
- G. Take a short taxi ride (recommended) to the Sheraton Centre Hotel or walk 4 blocks north on York St. to Queen St.

BY AIR TO BILLY BISHOP ISLAND AIRPORT ON LAKE ONTARIO IN DOWNTOWN TORONTO:

- A. After exiting the terminal, take the shuttle (free) to Royal York Hotel located at the corner of York Street and Front Street.
- B. Take a short taxi ride (recommended) to the Sheraton Centre Hotel or walk 4 blocks north on York St. to Queen St.

Private transportation services:

May be made directly with our convention transportation provider, Mauro Morgani, owner of Luxury Coach, at: <https://www.luxury.to> or his cell at (416) 936-6143

CONVENTION SCHEDULE

Monday, July 11

7:00am to 7:00pm	<i>OPTIONAL</i> : Day Bus tour to Niagara Falls and vicinity - starts with Mass celebrated by Cardinal Collins at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception in Guelph, Ontario	Hotel valet parking area
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Tuesday, July 12

8:00am - 9:00am	Mass is available at a nearby Chapel	St. Stephen's Chapel, 360 Bay St., 2nd Fl.
11:00am - 11:45am	<i>OPTIONAL</i> : Bus to Harbour Boat Cruise and Lunch	Hotel valet parking area
12:00pm - 2:00pm	<i>OPTIONAL</i> : Harbour Boat Cruise and Lunch	
2:00pm - 4:00pm	Walking tour of Harbourfront area and shopping at Queens Quay	
2:30pm - 4:00pm	Bus from Harbour Boat Cruise back to hotel	
5:00pm-10:00pm	Other Attractions for which internet links will be provided for attendees to purchase tickets: (a) Blue Jays baseball: July 12 & 13 vs the Phillies and July 14-17 vs the Royals (b) live musicals " Harry Potter " and also " & Juliette " at nearby Mirvish theatres	All venues are within walking distance of hotel or a short taxi ride)
5:00pm-6:00pm	Mass is available at a nearby Chapel	St. Stephen's Chapel, 360 Bay St., 2nd Floor
7:00pm-9:00pm	<i>OPTIONAL</i> : Diaconate Ordination Mass Thomas Cardinal Collins, Celebrant	St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica 65 Bond St.

Wednesday, July 13

8:00am-9:00am	Mass is available at a nearby Chapel	St. Stephen's Chapel, 360 Bay St., 2nd Floor
11:00am	<i>OPTIONAL</i> : Bus to CN Tower	Hotel valet parking area
11:45am-2:30pm	<i>OPTIONAL</i> : Lunch and stay in the Observation Deck of the CN Tower	

2:30pm–3:30pm	Bus back to hotel	
1:00pm-4:00pm	Serra International Foundation Board Meeting	Kent Room
4:00pm–9:00pm	<i>OPTIONAL</i> : Bus to St. Augustine's Seminary for Mass and a light Dinner	Hotel valet parking area
5:00pm-10:00pm	Other Attractions for which internet links will be provided for attendees to purchase tickets: (a) Blue Jays baseball: July 12 & 13 vs the Phillies and July 14-17 vs the Royals (b) live musicals " Harry Potter " and also " & Juliette " at nearby Mirvish theatres	All venues are within walking distance of hotel or a short taxi ride
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Mass is available at a nearby Chapel	St. Stephen's Chapel, 360 Bay St., 2nd Floor
7:00pm-10:00pm	Past Presidents' Dinner	Waterfall Garden <i>Churchill Room, backup</i>

Thursday, July 14

8:00am-4:00pm	Serra International Board Meeting starting with Serra Rosary for Priestly Vocations	Kent Room
9:00am-4:00pm	Serra National Councils Board Meetings - as may be requested	Huron Room
8:00am-4:00pm	Convention Registration and Delegates' Credentials	Elgin Room
12:00pm-1:30pm	Lunch on your own	
4:00pm-5:00pm	Bus to St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica	Hotel valet parking area
5:30pm-6:30pm	Opening Mass at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica – Thomas Cardinal Collins, Celebrant	St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica 65 Bond St.
6:30pm-7:30pm	Bus to return to Sheraton Centre Hotel	
7:30pm-10:00pm	Welcome Reception at Sheraton Centre Hotel	Waterfall Garden <i>Civic Ballroom, backup</i>

Friday, July 15

7:00am-8:15am	Panel Discussion for First Time Attendees to a Serra International Convention	Civic Ballroom
8:00am-12:00pm	Convention Registration - Delegates	Elgin Room
8:00am-8:30am	Rosary	Civic Ballroom
8:30am-9:15am	Spiritual Retreat by Rev. Martin Dicuango, Pontifical Master of Ceremonies, Office of the Cardinal	Civic Ballroom
9:15am-10:00am	Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament ending with Benediction and Procession to Adoration Chapel	Civic Ballroom
10:15am-midnight	Adoration Chapel	Wentworth Room
9:30am-12:00pm	Reconciliation service available for all Attendees	Huron and Kenora Rooms
10:15am-10:45am	Coffee Break	
10:45am-11:45am	Panel Discussion: Rector of St. Augustine's Seminary and the Vocation Director for the Archdiocese of Toronto "Vocation Strategy in Toronto Archdiocese"	Civic Ballroom
12:00pm-1:15pm	Serra International Foundation Awards Lunch	Birchwood Ballroom
1:30pm-2:30pm	Speaker #1 - Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto	Civic Ballroom
2:30pm-3:30pm	Speaker #2 Rev. Stephan Kappler, President & Chief Psychologist, Southdown Institute	Civic Ballroom
3:45pm-4:30pm	Concurrent Workshops: (1) Programs (2) Vocations (3) Membership (4) Communications (5) Serra International Foundation	Chestnut West Pine East Chestnut East Pine West Kenora Room

5:00pm-6:00pm	Mass in Hotel celebrated by Fr. Joshua Roldan, Director of the Office of the Catholic Youth for the Archdiocese of Toronto	Civic Ballroom
7:00pm	Dinner on your own	

Saturday, July 16

12:00am-12:00pm	Adoration Chapel	Wentworth Room
8:00am-8:30am	Rosary	Civic Ballroom
8:30am-9:30am	Speaker #3 - Sr. Maria Immaculata, Professed Sister of Our Lady Immaculate	Civic Ballroom
9:30am-10:00am	Coffee Break	
10:00am-11:00am	Speaker #4 - Sr. Mary Rowell, Sisters of St. Joseph and President, National Association of Vocation and Formation Directors (Canada)	Civic Ballroom
11:00pm-12:00pm	Speaker #5 - Gerald Cyprien Cardinal Lacroix, Archbishop of Quebec and Primate of Canada	Civic Ballroom
12:00pm-1:30pm	Lunch on your own	
1:30pm-2:30pm	State of Serra address by Michael Bragg, Serra International President	Civic Ballroom
2:30pm-3:30pm	Serra Around the World - Council Presentations	Civic Ballroom
3:30pm-5:00pm	Delegates' Meeting	Civic Ballroom
5:30pm-6:30pm	Closing Mass celebrated by Gerald Cyprien Cardinal Lacroix, Archbishop of Quebec and Primate of Canada	Civic Ballroom
6:30pm-7:30pm	Cocktail Reception	Birchwood Foyer
7:30pm-10:00pm	Closing Banquet Dinner	Birchwood Ballroom

Sunday, July 17

8:00am-8:30am	Prayer Service - St. Junipero Serra	Kent Room
9:00am-11:00am	Serra International Board Meeting	Kent Room
11:30am	Departures	

SPEAKERS AND GUESTS



**Gérald Cardinal Lacroix,
Archbishop of Quebec**



**Thomas Cardinal Collins,
Archbishop of Toronto,
Serra International
Episcopal Adviser**



**Michael Bragg
Serra International President**



**Rev. Stephan Kappler
President and Chief Psychologist, Southdown
Institute**



**Sr. Maria Immaculata
Professed Sister of Our Lady Immaculate**



**Sr. Mary Rowell, CSJ
Vocation and Formation Director
Sisters of St Joseph**



**Rev. Edwin Gonsalves
Rector, St. Augustine's Seminary**



**Fr. Matthew McCarthy
Vocation Director
Archdiocese of Toronto**



**Fr. Joshua Roldan
Director Office of the Catholic Youth
Archdiocese of Toronto**

TORONTO FACTS & INFO



Toronto, the capital of the province of Ontario, is a major Canadian city along Lake Ontario's northwestern shore. It's a dynamic metropolis with a core of soaring skyscrapers, all dwarfed by the iconic, free-standing CN Tower.

To learn more, visit [Destination Toronto](#) for more information.



DINING FAVOURITES

From a quick bite to deliciously decadent menus, check out some of Mario's, Dr. Moira and Dr. Matthew's dining favourites!

Mario's, Dr. Moira and Dr. Matthew's Dining Favourites Click [HERE](#).



PLACES TO SEE & THINGS TO DO WHILE IN DOWNTOWN TO

Extend your stay and make it a mini-vacation for you and your family by visiting the major local attractions and enjoying the fully renovated facilities of the convention hotel.

Dr. Moira and Dr. Matthew's Recommendations Click [HERE](#).