



St. Christopher Catholic Secondary School Student Raises Money for Teen Suicide Awareness

A St. Christopher Catholic Secondary School student has raised more than \$5,200 for the Lambton County Suicide Prevention Committee.

“When I was asked to participate in this year’s Kingdom Assignment Project at St. Christopher Catholic Secondary School, I immediately knew what I would do with my money, even before I was sure how I would raise it,” says Emma McCann. “This project was my personal way to combat (suicide). It was something I could do, a small way I could make a difference, and a chance to raise awareness.”

On Friday, May 11th, Emma presented a cheque to the Lambton County Suicide Prevention Committee and received the thanks of the organization.



Emma’s painting, entitled *The Ties That Bind*, has sold more than 300 printed copies. It depicts a bird and a hand connected by a string. She says the bird symbolizes someone trying to flee their life, but it’s the string, symbolizing family, that encourages people to hold on.

“The ties that hold you back are the things that matter to you,” she says.

A full text of Emma’s remarks to the Lambton Suicide Prevention Committee can be viewed or downloaded by [clicking here](#).