



## news release

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### **Dr. Christopher J. Adams to begin second term as Rector of St. Paul's College at the University of Manitoba**

Winnipeg, Manitoba, April 20, 2017 – St. Paul's College, along with the University of Manitoba, is pleased to announce that alumnus Dr. Christopher J. Adams B.A. (Hons) (SPC'83), MA (SPC'86), PhD (Carleton) is to be reappointed as Rector from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2022. As Rector he will also serve as Chair of the Board of the Arthur V. Mauro Centre at St. Paul's College while also representing the College in various capacities at the University of Manitoba and across the broader community.



Dr. Janice Ristock, Provost and Vice President (Academic) of the University of Manitoba, in a recent statement to the University community, remarked that "My colleagues and I look forward to continuing to work with Dr. Adams to advance the interests of St. Paul's College, and I know you will continue to offer him your support."

Dr. Adams began his first term as Rector in July of 2012 after an accomplished career as a social scientist and national pollster. Under his guidance, St. Paul's College's student members achieved several large projects while actively participating in alumni-related activities. As a result, relations with our alumni began to unfold locally, nationally, and internationally. Furthermore, the College's Catholic Studies BA minor program grew to be one of the largest post-secondary programs of its kind in Canada. Additionally, through the efforts of faculty, staff and student, the College now features the Mary Valentine art collection for public viewing in Hanley Hall, two new award winning books, and the rededication of the Evelyn and Conrad Wyrzykowski Wing after the College's Foundation received over \$1 million from the family for the support of the Jesuit Centre for Catholic Studies.

Since 2012 Dr. Adams has led the College's efforts to establish a 200+ bed St. Paul's College Student Residence. Dr. Thomas Vowell, Chair of the Board of Governors for St. Paul's College, stated "Our College community has enjoyed working with Dr. Adams. Together we have accomplished a great deal with him at the helm. We look forward to what the future will bring under his leadership and guidance." says Dr. Thomas Vowell.

Dr. Adams has raised St. Paul's national profile by leading the College's efforts to be an active partner to the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation and he recently accepted the position of Vice-Chair for the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities in Canada (ACCUC). Dr. Adams continues to work closely with the Jesuits of Canada while supporting further dialogue among those of the Abrahamic faiths, those of other faiths, and Canada's Indigenous communities in order to promote a vision of peace, unity and reconciliation.

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