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## Disabled walker blazes 'blistering' trail in bid to walk across Canada

By Jamie Harrison

Despite blisters, bruises and sprains, a grandmother from Walkerton walked her way through Georgetown Wednesday as part of a coast-to-coast odyssey.

In the spirit of Terry Fox and Rick Hansen, Therese Weiler, a disabled grandmother, has spent the last few months of her life raising awareness and funds for the plight of the disabled, the elderly, and the unborn across Canada.

use of their homes and facilities.

Weiler's journey has not been without it's problems, though. She was unable to walk after she hurt her knee and ankle after stepping in a snow-covered pothole in Sydney, Nova Scotia.

Between her injury and a few changes in scheduling, Weiler's about a month behind the planned November finish on the west coast.

After losing her crucifix and chain, Weiler was given one as a gift by one of her supporters who happened to have one in his car.

While on the road, Weiler spends much of her time visiting elderly patients in seniors' residences across the country.

"I encourage them, and they encourage me," Weiler said. "They told me they pray for me every day in the chapel."

"There are so many good things going on in the world. I'd like to let the world know it's not all bad."

Father House said that Weiler's visit to Georgetown was really "a lucky coincidence", as her route took her from Brampton to Guelph. House had been her parish priest at St. Joseph's Church in Cargill, Ont.

"I asked her to stop at (Holy Cross) church," House said.

While at Holy Cross Weiler received donations from the Knights of Columbus, the Catholic Women's League, the North Halton chapter of Pro-Life, and the congregation of Holy Cross Church.

Funds raised by Weiler will be channeled into covering her personal expenses with the remainder earmarked for educational projects concerning abortion and euthanasia.

If Weiler does not complete her walk by the end of November, she said she will take a break until the spring, finishing her journey then.

After that she's not sure what she will be doing, but can see herself competing as a marathon walker in addition to her involvements as a care-giver to the elderly and the handicapped, as well as her occupation as a homemaker.

"The Lord has something planned," she said.



Cross-Canada walker Therese Weiler gets a hug from Father Edward House at Holy Cross Church Wednesday, as supporters turned out to wish Therese well.

Photo by Jamie Harrison

Weiler's journey took her to Georgetown's Holy Cross Church, where she was greeted by her old friend and priest, Father Edward House, and a crowd of about 30 well-wishers.

Weiler started her 7000 km journey on the shores of Newfoundland, where Premier Joe Ghiz said Weiler was an inspiration to all who heard what she is doing.

Her own inspiration was a visit to St. Joseph's Oratory in Montreal where she prayed that a chronic planter's wart which had been bothering her for about ten years, causing her to walk at an odd angle, would be healed. Even Weiler wasn't sure that her prayers would be answered.

Much to her surprise, the next day the wart with "about 25 black roots sticking out" peeled off after her morning shower.

During her prayers she promised God that he could do anything He wanted with them if he healed them.

"Be careful what you promise God," Weiler said.

It was then that she felt it was her mission to walk across Canada, raising awareness for the plight of the elderly, the disabled and the unborn.

"The point of the walk is to raise awareness of all human life," Weiler said.

Several service groups have given time, money and energy to Weiler's 7000 km journey, volunteering as drivers, and offering the

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