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**ARCHBISHOP PRENDERGAST PRAYS FOR THE DECEASED AND  
INJURED VICTIMS FROM TODAY'S COLLISION BETWEEN  
AN OC TRANSPRO BUS AND A VIA RAIL TRAIN**

*The Most Reverend Terrence Prendergast, SJ, Archbishop of Ottawa, on this morning's collision between a northbound double-decker OC Transpo bus and a Via Rail train near the Fallowfield station in Barrhaven, made the following statement:*

"I am united in prayer with the families and friends of the deceased and the many injured from this morning's collision, and I also pray for the first responders. During this morning's Mass that I celebrated with priests from our Archdiocese who are currently on a spiritual retreat at the Notre-Dame-du-Cap Sanctuary, we remembered all involved in the deadly crash. I am grateful to our clergy who have brought comfort and consolation to those affected by this tragic event."

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