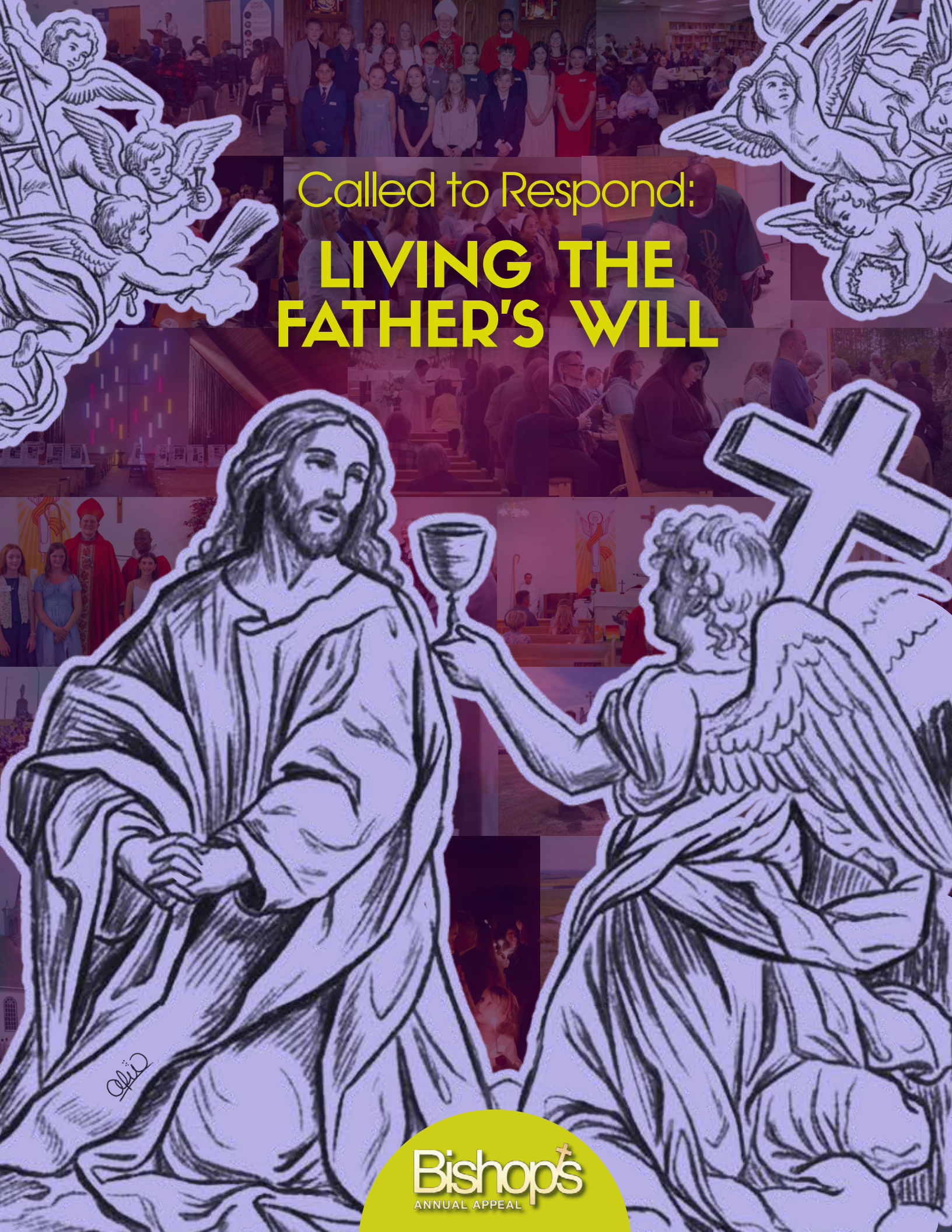




Called to Respond:

LIVING THE FATHER'S WILL



Bishop's
ANNUAL APPEAL

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

As we embark on this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal, I invite you to take the opportunity to reflect on our theme: **"Called to Respond: Living the Father's Will"** These words remind us of Jesus's reflection and call to us to live and act in the love of His Father and our Father:

"As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love."(John 15: 9-10)

Pope Leo has just provided us with his first encyclical titled, Magnifica Humanitas ("Our Magnificent Humanity"). The pope is responding to our world marked by restlessness, uncertainty, and increasing concerns about the state of our common humanity in the world, with a message about the profound greatness of our common human dignity. As Pope Leo states,

"There is also the more profound and important level of ontological dignity. This is the dignity that belongs to every human being simply by virtue of existing, of having been willed, created and loved by God. No sin, failure, humiliation or exclusion can diminish the profound value of a human life that God has willed and called into being."
(MH #52).

This dignity is blessed and manifest to one another and to the world as we love and act like God.

The Bishop's Annual Appeal is not simply a fundraiser. It is a personal and communal act of discipleship and a way by which we participate in the mission of Christ in our world of today. Through the Bishop's Annual Appeal, that mission becomes visible across our diocese. Your generosity helps support seminarians preparing for priesthood, ministries serving families and youth, outreach to the poor and vulnerable, Indigenous reconciliation initiatives, pastoral care in our parishes, Catholic education and faith formation, and the many works of evangelization that proclaim Christ's love in our communities.

I therefore invite every parishioner, every family, and every community in our diocese to prayerfully consider how you can support this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal. No gift is too small when it is offered with faith and love.

The aim of our appeal is not *"to have people giving more"* - but rather, *"to have more people giving!"* ...participating and sharing together the work of God's people in our local faith communities ...for our world of today. Thank you for your prayers, your generosity, and your faithful witness to Christ.

May Mary, Mother of the Church, who responded wholeheartedly to God's call, intercede for us. May she teach us to say with courage and humility: *"May it be done to me according to your word."*

I conclude with the words well known to us from St. Francis of Assisi, as we celebrate 2026 as the Year of St. Francis: *"Lord, make me a channel of Your peace; Where there is hatred let me bring You love; ...Where there is despair, hope; For it is in giving that we receive; and in dying that we are born to eternal life."* (Prayer of St. Francis)



BAA Video



Sincerely in Christ,

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Most Reverend Mark A. Hagemoen
Bishop of Saskatoon

Hospital Chaplaincy

Hospital Chaplaincy has been active throughout the diocese this year, offering hope, education, and accompaniment in the journey of palliative care and end-of-life ministry.

Thanks to the dedicated chaplains, patients and families receive:

- Spiritual accompaniment during times of illness
- Prayer and pastoral care
- Access to the Sacraments
- Support during end-of-life journeys
- Comfort rooted in the hope of Christ's resurrection



Participants attended
Compassionate Community
Care Workshop



Horizons of Hope Workshops



3 Palliative Care vs MAiD
education sessions, and 1
volunteer training session in
Humboldt



Scan for Health Care Directive



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Prison Ministry

Supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal, the office of Prison Ministry offers outreach at the Saskatoon Correctional Centre, providing support, prayer and healing to men, families, and victims, as well as to parishes and volunteers, as part of an ongoing journey toward becoming an accepting, connected community.

The office of Prison Ministry facilitates week-long grief and spiritual healing workshops, offering safe spaces. These workshops are moments of encounter with the living Christ, experiencing the power of prayer firsthand.

*"It may be hard to change the world, but you have helped
change me for the better, for myself
and for the community"*

Inmate



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Justice & Peace

The Office of Justice and Peace works to answer Christ's Call to care for the poor, vulnerable, and marginalized while building relationships rooted in reconciliation, solidarity, and human dignity. Through your support, we continue to address immediate needs, create opportunities for meaningful relationships, and advocate for long-term justice solutions across our communities.

300⁺

Participants attended educational & advocacy events

4

Major events focused on poverty awareness, homelessness and mental health, were offered through the diocese

Justice & Peace, alongside other community partners, helped St. Mary's Parish to serve some of our most vulnerable.

1039

About 1039 Individuals were served at St. Mary's Warm-Up Centre

Thank you for helping us put faith into action and build a more just and compassionate world.

"Reconciliation with others can only happen when we are first reconciled with ourselves"

Return to Spirit participant



Ecumenism

Numerous ecumenical activities are organized throughout the year. There is so much hope when we worship with our brothers and sisters in other Christian denominations.

Every year, **\$20,000** is invested in sustaining our work with the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism to build Christian unity and reconciliation.

Through the centre, we participate in various interdenominational activities, such as the De Margerie lectures and the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

Thanks to all those who donate to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.



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Evangelization & Catechesis

375

Students attended our Confirmation Retreats

45

Candidates received a blessing during the Rite of Election in 2026

72

Catechumens signed the Book of the Elect in 2026

192

Participants attended Fall Congress 2025

160

Participants from across the diocese attended Spring Congress Circuit

The Office of Evangelization and Catechesis provides support, training and resources to clergy and catechists in the ministry of sacramental preparation, RCIA, and other faith formation initiatives.

We provide support to parish leadership in the delivery of catechetical and initiation processes that are deeply informed by the New Evangelization.

Thanks to your support, we have ministered to over 875 people this year.



Family Life

The Office of Family Life supports families at various stages of marriage and family life, as well as parishes that minister to families. A diocesan Marriage Formation Curriculum, created in 2022, is available to all parishes and resource couples. Training, support and materials are available for resource couples, parishes and pastors.

Grief support is offered through various programs:

From Mourning to Dawn: for bereaved spouses and for bereaved parents.

28

Participants attended From Mourning to Dawn during Fall and Spring

Anew: an updated program for those who are separated or divorced

3

Participants attended Anew

"Anew and the other participants helped me through the toughest year of my life after the breakdown of my long-term marriage"

Anew participant



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Rural Catechetics

As the ministry continues to grow, the Office of Rural Catechesis will focus on three priorities:

- Expanding online and in-person catechist formation
- Strengthening RCIA and outreach to new adults
- Developing new programming that better supports rural parish life

Because of your generosity, rural communities throughout our diocese are hearing God's call and responding with courage. You are helping ensure that faith remains vibrant in our towns, villages, schools, and homes.



20

Rural parishes received rural resource support

900

People from 12 rural communities joined Carlo Acutis' Eucharistic Miracle tour

10

Rural parishes welcomed new adults into the Catholic Church

"I enjoyed Quin's teachings during our Catechist Connection Zoom meetings, where rural catechists can share ideas and successful practices"

Rural Pastoral Associate



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63

Young adults completed Project Timothy over the last 4 years

250

High School students attended Search Retreats

130

Participants attended the Holy Spirit Retreat



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Youth Ministry

The office of Youth and Young Adult continues to form intentional missionary disciples by bringing the Good News of Jesus Christ into the lives of youth and young adults of the Diocese of Saskatoon through the Holy Spirit.

Behind every retreat, training, and gathering is your generosity. The Bishop's Annual Appeal makes these ministries possible, ensuring that faith continues to flourish in our families, parishes, and hearts.



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Vocations

We are deeply blessed to continue to accompany Huy Le, Mischa Taillon, John Paul Wasan, and Matthew Witzaney as they walk the path of discernment and formation.

Their "yes" is a living testimony to the impact of our diocesan ministries.

With your support for the Bishop's Annual Appeal, seminarians can continue their studies while also serving the community.



Huy Le



Matthew Witzaney



John Paul Wasan



Mischa Taillon

The diocese has committed an additional \$115,000 to cover tuition and expenses associated with the seminarians' preparation for ministry and an additional \$55,000 for clergy education.



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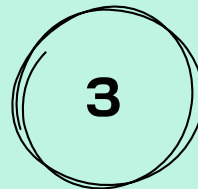
Sts. Benedict & Scholastica

Being rooted in an intimate and personal relationship with God and orienting our entire lives toward identification with Jesus is at the heart of this program of formation and discernment for young adults. The time with us is an opportunity to lay a solid foundation for a contemplative life, grounded in a personal and living knowledge of God and strengthened by firm disciplines of prayer.

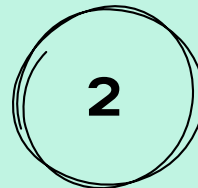
Thanks to your generosity, participants receive guidance in:

- Personal and communal prayer
- Faith sharing
- Liturgy of the Hours
- Catholic devotions
- Discovering God through service and ministry

As the program continues to grow, it remains committed to forming young adults who are rooted in Christ and prepared to serve the Church. Thank you for helping make this mission a reality.



Residential Participants during
Fall-Winter 2025-2026



Non-Residential Participants
during Fall-Winter 2025-2026

"I now understand myself a lot better, and I can recognize more how the Lord is speaking to me in my daily life!"

Sts. Benedict & Scholastica
Participant



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Communications

Supported by your donations to the Bishop's Annual Appeal, the office of Communications is committed to sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the power of the Holy Spirit alive in the Church and in the lives of God's beloved people.

The Communications Office assists the bishop, parishes, and ministry offices as well as Catholic organizations and community partners, to "Proclaim Christ and God's Kingdom" in word, worship, and action, by providing promotion, publicity, awareness, and connection on a range of platforms for a variety of events from different Catholic groups.



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Diocesan events calendar

118,000

Website users during the last year

400⁺

Articles were posted on Catholic Saskatoon News in 2025-2026



4,100

Followers on Facebook

1,600

Followers on X (Twitter)

1,480

Subscribers on YouTube



Migration

The Bishop's Annual Appeal plays a vital role in sustaining the work of the Migration Office and its ministry to newcomers within the Diocese of Saskatoon. Funds raised through the appeal support refugee sponsorship, settlement assistance, pastoral accompaniment, and community integration programs for refugees. Through the generosity of parishioners and donors, the Migration Office is able to provide practical support, spiritual care, advocacy, and opportunities for meaningful connection within parish communities.

Your generosity also helps strengthen culturally responsive ministry by supporting volunteers, clergy, and community partnerships that accompany newcomers as they build new lives in Saskatchewan.

19

Refugees applications were completed in 2026



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We are called to serve one another. In every program and event, we see the Holy Spirit at work in each participant in Adult Faith Formation.

Thanks to your support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal, we can continue to run programs and events that inspire, equip, and send forth disciples. Your generosity makes a significant impact on our mission.



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Adult Faith Formation

78

Participants attended "Oasis" encounter event

53

Participants within the diocese completed the Called & Gifted Discernment Process

55

Participants joined the Bus Trip Pilgrimage to Rama Shrine

102

Participants attended our Advent and Lenten Retreats

73

Participants attended Fall/Winter Awaken Sessions

For Grant Seekers

Ursuline Heritage of Faith Fund – Catholic Foundation

The Ursuline Heritage of Faith Fund, stewarded by the Diocese of Saskatoon Catholic Foundation, exists to carry forward the mission and charism of the Ursuline Sisters of Prelate. Inspired by St. Angela Merici, the fund supports initiatives rooted in justice, compassion, education, and spiritual formation, with a special focus on the poor and marginalized.

WHO CAN APPLY

- Registered charities, parishes, and community organizations.
- Projects aligned with the Ursuline charism: Empowerment of women and girls, Christian education, spiritual formation, and inclusion of underserved populations.

WHAT WE FUND

Funding is available in three categories:

- Mission & Outreach: Ursuline-aligned ministries (youth, immigrant aid, education).
- Legacy & Heritage: Preserving Ursuline history (archives, memorial events, intergenerational storytelling).
- Faith & Formation: Spiritual retreats, theological education, workshops, leadership training.

Please check for more details at dscf.ca

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- ☐ **E-TRANSFER** directly from your bank account. Please include your name, mailing address, phone number and where to direct your gift in the comments section to receive a charitable tax receipt.
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City/Town:

Email:

Appeal Name**2026 BAA****Rural Catechists
Fund****New Build
Restoration Fund****One Time Gift:**

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\$

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Monthly Recurring Gift:

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Recurring Gift Start Date:

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Please indicate the appeal in your cheque memo. Mail it back to our office or drop it in your offertory basket at your parish

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Do you want to learn more about stewardship, attend conferences and be one of our ambassadors?
Contact us to join our next event!

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What gifts has God entrusted to you? How may your gifts serve others?

Please let us know in the space provided:

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ANNUAL APPEAL



To consider a gift prior to year end and to qualify for a 2026 tax receipt, your donation must reach the Foundation's office or be postmarked before December 31, 2026.

Please make any corrections to your address to help us keep our files current.

A postage-paid addressed envelope is provided. Tax receipts will be issued for all donations.

