

IN THANKS, YOU GAVE





DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST,

The prayer attributed to St. Francis of Assisi says “it is in giving that we receive.” If you have ever been in need and had that need answered, then you know that the opposite is also true: in gratitude for receiving, we are often moved to give.

Gratitude is at the heart of the Eucharist, the center and source of our faith. As One Body in Christ, we respond to God’s generosity with generosity of our own. The Bishop’s Annual Appeal for Catholic Ministries is one of the most powerful ways that we show our gratitude, year after year, for the blessings that we receive from God and from our Church.

Once again this year, generous Catholics like you have supported the Bishop’s Annual Appeal with pledges of \$8 million. I am pleased to present you with this annual report that details how your gifts to the 2014 Bishop’s Annual Appeal for Catholic Ministries are being applied to nurture the faith of all, educate our youth and adults, form our seminarians and deacons, assist our priests and minister to those in need.

Mindful of our need to be effective stewards of your generosity, I thank you for your continued support. Please be assured of my prayers.

Faithfully in Christ

Most Reverend Kevin J. Farrell, D.D.
Bishop of Dallas

PASTORAL MINISTRIES

\$1,041,000

Catholic Charities • Providing essential human services including family assistance, elder enrichment, adoption, and food pantry programs to more than 10,000 families throughout the nine counties comprising the Diocese of Dallas.

Catholic Pro-Life Committee • Reaffirming the sanctity of all human persons by offering outreach and advocacy services to end abortion and restore respect and legal protection for every human life.

SMU Campus Ministry • Offering essential spiritual guidance and formation to students attending Southern Methodist University, through counseling, education, and sacramental outreach.

Evangelization Outreach • Working closely with youth and adult groups to deliver both educational and outreach programs.



CATHOLIC EDUCATION

\$685,000

Diocesan High Schools Scholarship Funds • Increasing access to diocesan high schools by providing tuition assistance to students who wish to attend Bishop Lynch or Bishop Dunne.

Notre Dame School • Supporting the unique mission of special education that provides a strong educational environment for students with developmental disabilities.



EDUCATION OF SEMINARIANS

\$2,217,000

Seminary Support • Preparing a new generation of diocesan priests through the educational and formational programs of Holy Trinity and Redemptoris Mater seminaries.

PRIESTLY & DIACONATE PROGRAMS

\$1,093,000

Diaconal Ministries • Providing formation and education programs for men discerning a vocation to the diaconate and preparing for service as deacons.

Vocations • Reaching out to and nurturing men discerning a vocation to the priesthood.

Clergy Health Assistance • Responding to the needs of our elderly and infirmed clergy by providing medical services for retired priests.

Vicar for Clergy • Preparing clergy for the changing needs of the faithful and providing ongoing spiritual and educational programs for priests currently serving in the Diocese of Dallas.



PASTORAL SERVICES

\$2,014,000

Youth and Young Adult Ministries • Responding to the spiritual needs of young people through a wide array of advocacy and leadership programs.

Adult and Youth Catechetical Programs • Providing lifelong formation in faith for all ages and all stages.

Pastoral Juvenil Hispana • Addressing the unique needs of Latino youth by providing social, formation, and outreach programming.

Disabilities Ministry • Promoting the healing presence of Christ by assisting people struggling with disabilities.

Chaplaincy and Family Services • Being present to those who are ill and infirm, and their families, by providing spiritual support to those in area hospitals.

Prison Ministry • Embracing those who are incarcerated by offering pastoral and spiritual outreach programs.

Missionary Catechists of the Poor • Working with traditionally underserved populations to offer outreach and teaching services.

Worship • Stewarding the centrality of the sacraments in the life of the church by providing liturgical resources to parishes throughout the Diocese of Dallas.

Marriage Ministry • Providing educational and outreach programs to support preparation for marriage and living out the Sacrament of Matrimony.

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