



2022 CMA Prayer

Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

We ask that you bless us as we celebrate the mission of this year's Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Thank you, Lord, for bringing us together as *One Family in Mission to continue to build a community of faith, hope and love.*

Comfort us so that we can continue to build up Your kingdom as we deepen our faith, provide hope and love to all in our community, especially those in most need.

Holy Spirit dwell in us and enable us to jubilantly collaborate so that we can build strong communities of faith and lead others to You.

Permit us to continue our call to dramatic missionary growth by cheerfully imparting our gifts freely and charitably as He does.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.

Amen.

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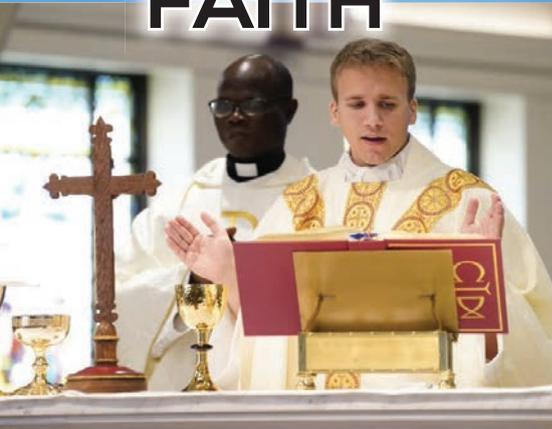
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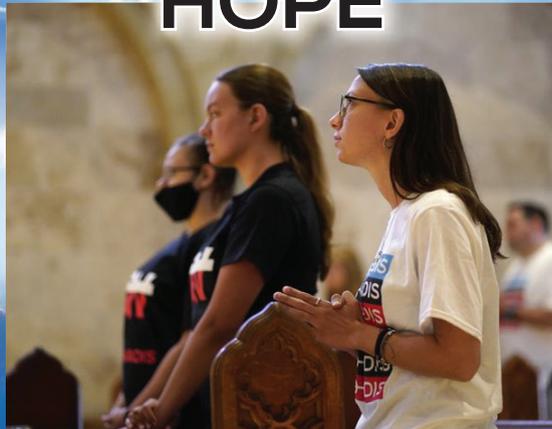
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One Family in Mission – Building a Community of

FAITH



HOPE



& LOVE



“God’s love calls us to move beyond fear. We ask God for the courage to put on faith, hope and love as we go out into the world and become the Word in body as well as spirit.”

– Pope Francis



Pope Francis called us to “*renew our Faith, draw from the living waters of hope and receive with open hearts the love of God.*”

This year’s Annual Appeal theme, **As One Family in Mission – Building a Community of Faith, Hope and Love**, was inspired by our Holy Father’s words. He reminded us that “*every moment of our lives is a time for believing, hoping and love.*”

The Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA) gives us the opportunity to turn our faith, hope and love into action, by sharing our gifts with so many in our Long Island Community.

The Appeal is one of the primary ways the diocese funds its mission and ministries. Every gift to the appeal makes a difference and impacts the Catholics of today, along with future generations of Catholics within our diocese and beyond.

Dear Friends:

As **One Family in Mission**, we are called to **Build a Community of Faith, Hope and Love**. You answer that call and make a difference in the lives of so many in our community when you support the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Your gifts help to build a community of **Faith** by supporting the education of our seminarians, deacons, and lay leaders as they prepare to serve in our diocese and local parish communities. You help us to bring our **Faith** to our young people in religious education classes and those participating in Youth, Young Adult and Campus Ministry programs.

Your gifts bring **Hope** and **Love** to so many through our Parish Outreach Programs and Catholic Charities. More than 600,000 people are served each year through your faithfulness and generosity.

You are so important to the ministries that this Appeal supports and the people it impacts. Please prayerfully consider a gift to the 2022 Catholic Ministries Appeal.

My prayers and thanks to you and your family.

Sincerely in Christ,

+ John O. Barres
Bishop John O. Barres





Your gifts bring hope for future generations of the Faithful as we continue to develop programs that evangelize our young people.

One such program, Camp Quo Vadis (Latin for “Where are you going?”), has as its core purpose to help young people listen to God’s voice, answer questions about future vocations and prepare the way for their leadership in the Church.

In the last two years under the direction of Fr. Sean Magaldi, there are two campers and three volunteers who are now in the seminary; two volunteer women have entered religious life, two women are in the process of entering women’s religious life; 30 female campers attended a discernment retreat for religious life and nine volunteers are now employed in lay ministry.

“I heard about the mission of the program – to bring young people closer to the Lord. There is such a need for this. Faith for young people today can seem so counter-cultural. To see so many young people coming together all for Jesus Christ – emboldens them and puts their Faith on fire.”

– Felicia Viscusi, Camp Counselor

Campers at Quo Vadis experience faith in an uplifting atmosphere that instills tools for them to become disciples in the Catholic Church. Young women, religious, young priests, seminarians and campers experience a culture of encounter and are challenged to holiness and mission.

“I decided to participate because of the Eucharist. It is the center of my faith and it calls me to do so much that I do. I had never been to a retreat before, so I wanted to experience what that was like. I don’t want to make the mistake of having my faith be just a part of my life like music or sports. I want it to guide me through my life and be the reason I do things.”

– Sean, Camper

“Having the opportunity to be a camper and a counselor at Camp Quo Vadis is an experience I will always be grateful for. Camp Quo Vadis has taught me how to be more authentically Catholic with genuine joy and love. The misconception that being Catholic is boring and old fashion can cause you to keep your faith a private thing, but when you see so many young people not being afraid to share the love of Christ, it helped me feel like I wasn’t walking alone in my faith.”

– Emily, Camper and Counselor





Your gifts also help bring hope and love to the most vulnerable amongst us through Catholic Charities and Parish Outreach Programs.

Catholic Charities' Regina Maternity Services provide case management, crisis intervention and parenting education to low-income pregnant and parenting mothers with infants and toddlers living on Long Island.

"We connect moms to various services – with healthcare if they need a doctor for themselves or for their baby. We connect them to job training and education programs so they can find employment or advance their career. And we can connect them to services if they are in need of food, diapers, cribs or other essentials.

When you have a mom who is feeling as though she is not capable of taking care of her baby, she is not going to be a good employee, parent or productive member of society, so our goal is to get moms to a place where they feel most comfortable – grow healthy children and become productive members of society."

- Amy Agiato, Director of
Catholic Charities Nutrition
and Maternity Services

Our Parish Outreach programs bring care, love, and the face of Jesus to those in need.

“We try to meet the needs of whoever comes through the door every day – whether it is food or financial need. We welcome people with a friendly attitude, which is especially important in this ministry. The mission of following the gospel of Jesus is for all of us to be doers of the Word. That’s what we are here to do—to follow in Jesus’ footsteps.”

- Barbara Powell, Director
Social Ministry, St. Martha

“It takes a lot to ask for help; I was embarrassed to seek help and did not want anyone to know that I was really struggling to pay rent and feed my son. As soon as I came to St Martha, I felt comfortable and accepted – I was more than a name or a face – but a person. I received more than food; I received comfort and spiritual guidance.”

“Now I am on the other side doing God’s work. To do His work, you need to know how to receive and how to give back. Part of my calling now is to reach out and help others.”

- Colleen





Your gifts to the Catholic Ministries Appeal help to build a community of Faith by supporting the education of our seminarians as they prepare to become priests in our diocese.

Fr. Wegiel was inspired to consider the vocation of the priesthood by his devout parents and his parish priest. Met with challenges to defend his faith as a college student at Stony Brook, he became active in Campus Ministry, which gave him the opportunity to build on his foundation of faith, grow in his prayer through Lectio Divina, attend retreats and participate in service projects.

His participation in this ministry inspired him to learn more about his faith and to form a deeper life of prayer. *“Prayer is an invitation to the relationship with God,”* Fr. Wegiel shared.

Ordained in 2021, Father Wegiel’s desire is to follow God’s will and share the joy of the Gospel of Christ with others through his priestly ministry.

HIGHLIGHTS OF PEOPLE SERVED IN 2020

Building a Community of Faith

Baptisms: 7,706

First Eucharist: 9,240

Children and Youth in Faith Formation: 71,727

Volunteer Catechists: 10,000

Vocations

Seminarians: 21

Confirmations: 9,893

Marriages: 1,009

Diaconate Candidates: 12

Education

Diocesan Elementary and High Schools: 12,049 students

Building a Community of Hope

Campus Ministry: 3,500 a month

Young Adult Ministry: 3,500 a month

Catholics of African Ancestry: 25,000

Youth Ministry: 5,800

Hispanic Ministry: 250,000

Building a Community of Love

Parish Outreach Program: 100,000

Hospital Ministry: 200,000

Prison Ministry: 3,000

Catholic Charities

Housing: senior, physical disability and pastoral care: 4,091

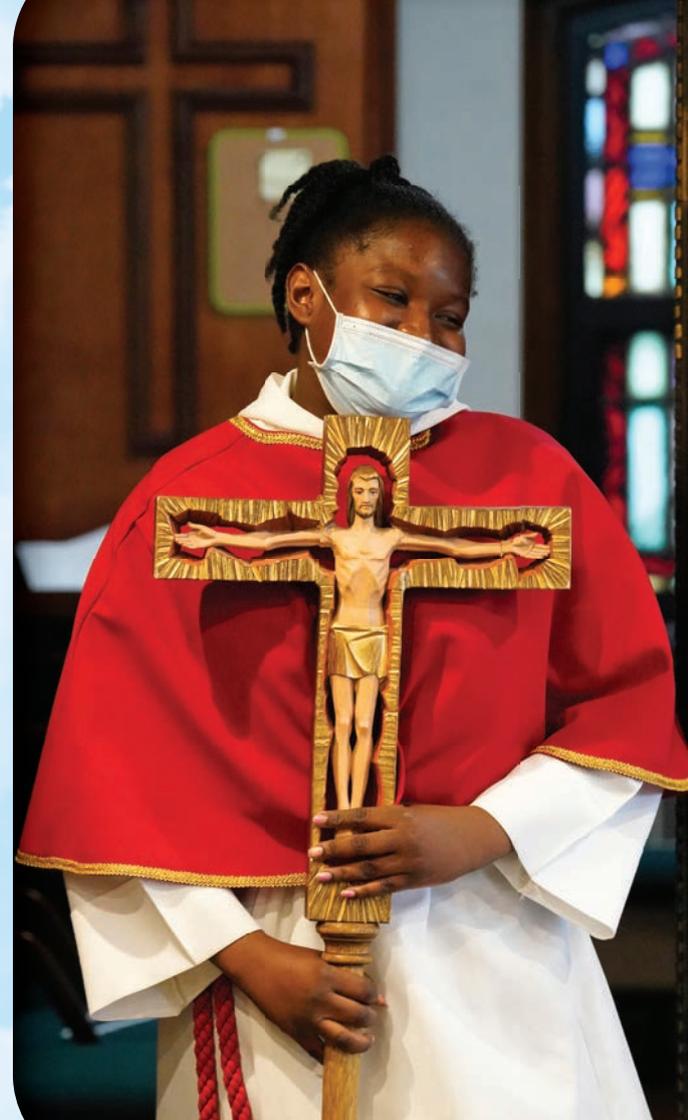
Mental Health Outpatient Services: 2,573

Food and Nutrition Services: 7,669

Addiction Treatment Services: 1,870

Senior Services: 4,216

Parish Social Ministry: 3,403





WAYS TO GIVE

Gifts of Cash – Checks should be made payable to the Catholic Ministries Appeal, and you can pledge your gift over ten months.

Credit Card – We accept American Express, Discover, Mastercard and Visa. Simply provide your credit card information on your pledge card/envelope or give online at www.drvc.org/CMA.

Matching Gifts – Go to www.matchinggifts.com/drvc to see if your employer will match the charitable contributions of employees.

IRA Charitable Rollover – If you are at least 70½ years old on the date you make your gift and your IRA is a traditional or Roth, you can transfer up to \$100,000 per year from your IRA to charity – without incurring income taxes today or estate tax in the future.

Gift of Securities – Federal tax laws allow a charitable deduction for the full market value of securities on the date of your gift.

Donor Advised Funds – You can recommend a gift to the CMA through your Donor Advised Fund (DAF).

For more information on any of the **Ways to Give**, please call the CMA office at 516-678-5800 ext. 296.

100% of every dollar raised is restricted to fund the objectives, programs, and mission supported by the Catholic Ministries Appeal.”

*The Catholic Ministries Appeal is conducted on a calendar-year basis. Amounts received under the Appeal are time-restricted for the next fiscal year.

GIFT PLANS

Council of Stewards

Established in 1986, the Council of Stewards is an honorary society that provides encouragement and advice to our Bishop through the submission of suggestions by direct correspondence or if inclined, by serving on an advisory committee. The Council also assists the Diocese in providing charitable, educational and pastoral care to the people of Long Island through sacrificial support at a minimum level of \$5,000.

Leadership Patrons

Our Leadership Patrons, through their generosity, have ensured that the ministries that make the Catholic Faith Community vibrant on Long Island will thrive for generations to come. They do this with a sacrificial gift at a minimum of \$750.

COUNCIL OF STEWARDS		
	Total Gift	Ten Monthly Payments of:
Founder*	\$50,000 and above	\$5,000 and above
Herald Angel*	\$25,000 – \$49,999	\$2,500 – \$4,999.90
Guardian*	\$10,000 – \$24,999	\$1,000 – \$2,499.90
Steward*	\$5,000 – \$9,999	\$500 – \$999.90
LEADERSHIP PATRONS		
Advocate	\$2,500 – \$4,999	\$250 – \$499.90
Witness	\$1,500 – \$2,499	\$150 – \$249.90
Evangelizer	\$750 – \$1,499	\$75 – \$149.90

* Signifies Council of Stewards membership