

2023

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

*One Family - Journeying together in
Communion, Participation and Mission*



A Message From Bishop John O. Barres

Dear Friends,

This year's CMA theme is inspired by Pope Francis who asks us to listen to where the Holy Spirit is calling us as a Church in the 21st Century. Through Communion, we worship together and share in the love and unity of the Trinity. We Participate by serving one another in our Mission to evangelize and share the love of our Faith with others.

The Diocese of Rockville Centre, because of your support and partnership, has a long tradition of providing programs that serve more than 600,000 people each year. I personally invite you to continue on the journey again this year by joining me in making a gift to the 2023 Catholic Ministries Appeal.



I thank you for all your prayers and support throughout the year. We have been through much together as a family in faith, and we have much to look forward to because we are a people of hope.

I pray for God's blessings for you and your family.

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MEET FATHER CHRIS HELLER



“When he was in junior high school, Father Chris Heller had something stirring in his heart. He followed that call and believed God was telling him to take a step toward the seminary.

Through high school and college he admired many priests he had met; it was through everyday prayer before the Blessed Sacrament and praying the rosary, that he developed a true intimacy with God. “It was really a joyful moment to realize that Jesus Christ was calling me to the vocation of the priesthood.”

“The CMA has truly been important in my formation in the seminary and has helped me fulfill my calling to the priesthood. The role of CMA is that we can journey together, being in communion with one another to grow Jesus Christ's mission.” Today, as Parochial Vicar of St. Dominic in Oyster Bay and Chaplain of St. Dominic High School, Reverend Heller shared his goals for both.

“My goals are to follow where the Holy Spirit is leading me and to be in tune with the people of the parish and high school so that I can walk and pray with them -- to be there for them during happy and difficult times -- so that they can encounter Him as well.”

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE



All are invited to come and pray together for an increase of vocations to priesthood and religious life in our diocese.

Friday, February 10th 7:30PM
at the
Seminary of the Immaculate Conception

Black History Month Mass of Thanksgiving

February 11, 2023 @ 2:00 pm – 3:45 pm
at

St. Agnes Roman Catholic Cathedral
29 Quealy Place
Rockville Centre
NY 11570

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