



Fellow St. John Bosco Parishioners,

Today, during this pandemic, more than ever before, our community needs genuine “Hope for the Future”. Our call to action must be dynamic! All Catholics are part of the Archdiocese of Seattle, 169 parishes and missions. As Catholics, our essential responsibility is service.

My story is simple and sincere because as a Vincentian, “we serve the poor cheerfully, listening to and respecting their wishes. Helping them to feel and recover their own dignity, for we are all created in God’s image” (Rule 1.8)

We completed a home visit to assess needs of a victim of domestic violence. The request was for rental assistance, but on further discussion, she hesitantly stated that she did not have enough food in the house to feed her 3 children!

I share this story because we assisted her with rent and gift cards during this stressful time. We also actively listened and prayed with her, and provided PREPARES bags for the kids. She was happy and amazed that anyone cared. This is but one of many services that demonstrate caring and love for each other.

The annual Catholic Appeal supports many similar ministries that share Christian care and love throughout our entire Archdiocese. While the ACA funds collected serve these wider regional needs, our separate Stewardship drive held at another time of the year uniquely supports ministries here at St. John Bosco alone.

Our parish goal for this year’s ACA is \$77,405. Please consider \$1.00 /day. Any amount of gift is welcomed. Check your pledge envelope for ways to donate. If you cannot donate, please consider offering a prayer.

With the Covid-19 Pandemic, our Archdiocese has an emergent CALL to ACTION which greatly impacts the future of Catholic churches. Thank you for your sacrificial commitment in service of our Lord.

With deepest gratitude and God bless,

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Witness Speaker