



2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal

INTRODUCTION



Message from the Stewardship Office:

Dear Pastors,

On behalf of the Diocesan staff, we thank you for your work on last year's Bishop's Annual Appeal, *Living our Faith*. With your leadership and support 2,250 families raised just over \$586,000.

Our 2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal focuses on *Faith and Family* with an overall goal of \$412,750. Our greater goal is that you will use this opportunity to help your community appreciate the services that the Diocese offers to the greater Central Oregon and how faith in sharing their gifts received only adds to the gifts God adds back.

Your role of inspiring a Stewardship culture is success, which will overflow to the success of the Bishop's Annual Appeal and all that it serves. In service to you, we have incorporated much of your feedback from the 2019 Appeal Survey. I am confident with your recommendations we can beat last year's Participation Goal. Last year 25 parishes exceeded their goals. Please take the time to share with your parish community how their participation in the Bishop's Appeal helps us all to live out our call to discipleship. The rewards your parish receives will go well beyond the monetary support for the Bishop's Appeal

This **revised Parish Appeal Guide** has been prepared for you and your parish staff to assist in the best-ever Bishop's Appeal. It contains many useful resources gathered throughout the years from an updated 2020 schedule to frequently asked question. Please review the enclosed information closely and enthusiastically promote this year's Bishop's Appeal. If you have any questions, please feel free to call any time.

Thank you again for all that you do on behalf of our diocesan community. It is a blessing to be in this together. We ask that you pray for the success of the 2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal. May God bless you for your generosity and personal commitment as we answer the Lord's call about our *Faith and Family*.

Yours in Christ,

Mark W. French

Director of Stewardship