Suggested 2020 Announcements for the Parish Bulletin

Below you will find suggested bulletin announcements and dates. These are given as suggestions only and can be used as space permits in your parish bulletins. Any assistance in promoting this important effort is very much appreciated.

**February 8-9**
**Catholic Charities Helps the Most Vulnerable** - Did you know that individual contributions make up nearly 50% of Catholic Charities’ annual operating budget – every gift is important and every gift helps! As the social service arm of the Catholic Church, Catholic Charities’ work to the most vulnerable among us is critical. Make your contribution to the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal today by mailing your gift to **Catholic Charities, 1229 Mt. Loretta Ave, Dubuque 52001** or by going to [www.CatholicCharitiesDubuque.org](http://www.CatholicCharitiesDubuque.org).

**February 15-16**
**Catholic Charities Offers Many Services to Families** - Did you know that Catholic Charities offers a diverse array of programs and services throughout the Archdiocese of Dubuque, including Mental Health Counseling, Crisis Pregnancy and Post Abortion Counseling, Affordable Housing, Immigration Legal Services, Jail & Prison Ministry, mentoring and support for single parents and Disaster Services? We ask you to consider supporting these services with your gift to the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal. Learn more at [www.CatholicCharitiesDubuque.org](http://www.CatholicCharitiesDubuque.org).

**February 22-23**
**Partner with Catholic Charities** - Did you know that 90% of every donation to Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Dubuque goes toward direct service of individuals in need? Your gift will make an impact. To learn more about the ways your gift can change lives in the Archdiocese go to [https://youtu.be/Y8tLeUHkgFk](https://youtu.be/Y8tLeUHkgFk). Please partner with Catholic Charities and make your contribution to the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal today. Learn more at [http://www.CatholicCharitiesDubuque.org](http://www.CatholicCharitiesDubuque.org).

**February 29 -March 1**
**Catholic Charities Jail and Prison Ministries Program** - Did you know that clients in Catholic Charities’ Jail & Prison Ministry program are 49% less likely to reoffend when compared to the state’s average rate? This work saves taxpayer money, decreases the strain on our law enforcement and most importantly improves the quality of life for those in the program and their families. Support this important work, and much more with your gift to the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal. Learn more at [http://www.CatholicCharitiesDubuque.org](http://www.CatholicCharitiesDubuque.org).
March 7-8
Catholic Charities Asks You to Help - Did you know that Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Dubuque holds no government contracts for funding, as compared to similar agencies across the U.S., which rely on budgets comprised of two-thirds public funding. This makes your contribution to the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal all the more critical! Learn more at www.CatholicCharitiesDubuque.org.

March 14-15
Thank You from Catholic Charities - These past many weeks Catholic Charities has received strong prayerful and financial support as part of their 2020 Annual Appeal. These gifts provide needed funds to provide assistance to the most vulnerable in our communities and in our families. Thank you to all who have given so generously. It is never too late to join this important effort. To learn more about Catholic Charities or to give go to http://www.CatholicCharitiesDubuque.org.