



CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

Archdiocese of Mobile

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

For 90 years, the Catholic Charities Appeal has served our neighbors in need. Today many are facing financial struggles due to the pandemic, job loss or hurricane recovery efforts. The Catholic Charities Appeal is as critical today as it was when it began during the Great Depression. A gift to this annual appeal provides funds for 30 ministries all within the 28 counties of the Archdiocese of Mobile. With nearly 8,000 donors supporting this important work, we have been able to meet the physical, mental, and spiritual needs of thousands of individuals throughout our archdiocese.

The 2021 Catholic Charities Appeal theme is inspired by the Letter to the Hebrews:

“Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have; God is pleased by sacrifices of that kind.” – Hebrews 13:16

Our scriptures reveal to us that charity is not just about giving from our excess, but rather it is about making sacrifices. As we celebrate the Year of the Eucharist and the Parish, it is a particularly meaningful time to put our faith into action by making sacrifices for the sake of others. We are called to act with charity to every need we see in the world today. We can act with charity through our commitment to the Catholic Charities Appeal. A gift to the Catholic Charities Appeal supports social services, Catholic education, youth ministry, outreach ministries, aging and disabled services, crisis pregnancy services, mission parish assistance, home repairs and more.

I ask that you please consider making a gift to the 2021 Catholic Charities Appeal. No gift is too small or too large. I ask that you prayerfully make a pledge according to your means. Please, join me in supporting the needs of others with a sacrificial gift to the 2021 Catholic Charities Appeal.

With your support, we can continue to help the tens of thousands of people served by the ministries highlighted in this brochure. I am confident that together our sacrificial charity will continue to serve the needs of our neighbors. Your pledge envelope is also enclosed, giving you time to make a prayerful pledge before returning your envelope to your parish.

May God bless you and your loved ones abundantly in the New Year and always.

Sincerely in the Lord,

+ Thomas J. Rodi

Most Reverend Thomas J. Rodi
Archbishop of Mobile