

Times like these often raise more questions than answers. When will we be on the other side of this pandemic? What comes next? Or, more practically, how am I going to make the rent or find a job to support my family? The uncertainty that often accompanies these questions can leave us feeling ill at ease or even afraid. While the answers don't always come as quickly as we'd prefer, as Christians, we are presented with an antidote to the anxiety and fear that sometimes sets in during times of transition and uncertainty. That antidote is our faith – our faith in the One who loves us so much that He laid down his life so that we may live, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Our faith calls us to fellowship as a community, both in our parishes as well as our homes. We know we aren't alone in this journey. We aren't without support. At Mass, we are sustained by the gift of the Eucharist. And I'm told by so many of you that after going without the Blessed Sacrament during the lockdown, you've returned to Mass with renewed gratitude. Our pastors and priests are there to minister to the faithful in moments of spiritual and material need. And when we're confronting more questions than answers, the life-giving presence of our Lord revives us and gives us the strength to move forward with renewed vigor.

The **Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal** plays a significant role in helping us minister to the faithful and their neighbors. The *Appeal* ensures that our faith communities have the necessary support to offer pastoral and charitable outreach to families and individuals in need during this pandemic and beyond. Your gift to the *Appeal* enables us to sustain financially vulnerable parishes, to provide communities with the charitable assistance they need, to evangelize and educate, to form the priests of tomorrow, and to offer compassionate care for our retired priests. This year's theme "To Whom Shall We Go?" is a part of scripture so near to my heart that I chose it as my Episcopal motto. It is both a prayer and answer to much of the uncertainty floating around these days. It reminds us that the answers to the deepest questions of our hearts lie with our Lord who stands with us, just as He stood with the apostles in the Gospel of John 6:68.

Thank you for considering a one-time or monthly gift to the *Appeal* this year. We are so grateful for your generous support and for your part in helping us bring hope to our communities in these difficult times.

+ *Tim. Card. Dolan*

Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan
Archbishop of New York

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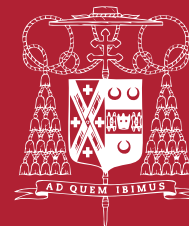
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Lord, to Whom Shall We Go?



Where Your 2022 Gift Goes

48%

Assistance for Financially Vulnerable Parishes

Charitable Outreach and Pastoral Support

28%

14%

Evangelization, Communications, and Catholic Education

Formation of New Parish Priests

5%

5%

Care for Retired Parish Priests

\$10M Assistance for Financially Vulnerable Parishes

The families most affected by the ongoing pandemic tend to live in financially vulnerable communities. COVID-19 has only accentuated the needs of those families and the parishes that support them. The *Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal* makes sure, even in the best of times, that those families and individuals facing the demands of poverty or job loss have a place to go for assistance. Parishes throughout the three boroughs and the seven counties of the archdiocese minister faithfully to their parishioners and the people in need in their communities, ensuring the hungry are fed, the homeless are sheltered, and the needy are clothed. Your generous contributions allow us to provide a clean and secure place to worship and to connect the suffering with the goods and services they need not only to survive, but also to thrive.

\$6M Charitable Outreach and Pastoral Support

The COVID-19 crisis highlighted the critical role our pastors play in addressing the needs of their communities. Charitable services like food pantries, pop-up clinics, counseling services, and eldercare are facilitated through the parishes under the guidance and leadership of the pastors. Over ten million meals have been distributed since the start of the pandemic, and the needs continue to grow. Our archdiocesan apostolates are also hard at work serving the faithful through ministries such as Youth Faith Formation and Catechesis, Young Adult Outreach, Family Life and Respect Life, Adult Faith Formation, and Black and Hispanic Ministry.

\$3M Evangelization, Communications, and Catholic Education

Our Catholic schools were at the forefront of the pandemic in 2020 and 2021. They pioneered hybrid learning, ensured the timely return of our students to school and, with the help of the *Appeal*, provided struggling families with the tuition assistance necessary to keep their children in Catholic school. These students are the leaders of tomorrow and the future of our Church, and their formation and education are paramount. Through the *Appeal*, we are able to evangelize and equip our parishes and schools with the education, digital content, and services necessary to bring the Gospel message to parents, parishioners, and students in an accessible and streamlined way.

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\$1M Formation of New Parish Priests

Today's seminarians are tasked with leading the Church through a technological and cultural transition that the Church and the world have never experienced. Our 11 seminarians at St. Joseph's Seminary are tomorrow's priests, pastors, bishops, and cardinals, and the *Appeal* helps fund their studies and preparation. The demands of their vocation require comprehensive formation and education, and your gift to the *Appeal* ensures that our newly formed priests will be well-equipped to serve the faithful throughout their lives.

\$1M Care for Retired Parish Priests

The St. John Vianney Center for Retired Priests in the Riverdale section of the Bronx is a very special place. It is where the men who devoted their entire lives to serving the Church of New York are met with proper care and fellowship in their later years. These are men who have made the faithful their families. And just as we are called to care for our parents and grandparents, we must too support our spiritual fathers. Your gift to the *Appeal* goes a long way in making sure our 70 retired priests have the medical attention and care they deserve.

\$21 Million Total

