

2026 DIOCESE OF HOUMA THIBODAUX

# BISHOP'S APPEAL



# Stewardship Prayer

O God, source of life and every blessing,

All that we have comes from You.

Help us to walk in Your ways as faithful

Disciples of Jesus, teaching us to be good and

Faithful stewards of Your many blessings.

Lord, grant us the grace to receive Your gifts

Gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share

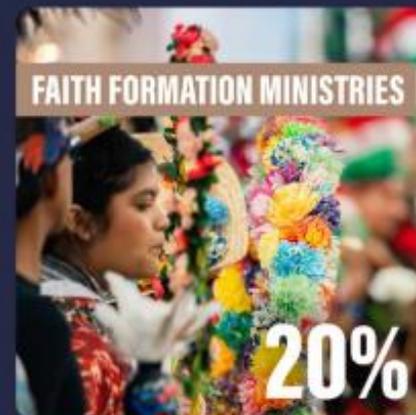
Them in justice and love with others, and return  
them with increase to You, our Father

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen



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# Priest's Roles

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- We need YOU! We need your help to grow our community.
- Make a personal commitment and put your gift in the collection at Mass to show leadership from the parish priest.
  - Share with the people how YOU were impacted as a seminarian or will be as a retired priest
- Ensures staff at the parish are following the Manual
  - Social Media posts are used in a timely manner, and websites are adjusted
- Actively engaged in the appeal process – when our priests lead, our people follow
- Directly asks for and encourages participation focused on building community
- Thank your parishioners



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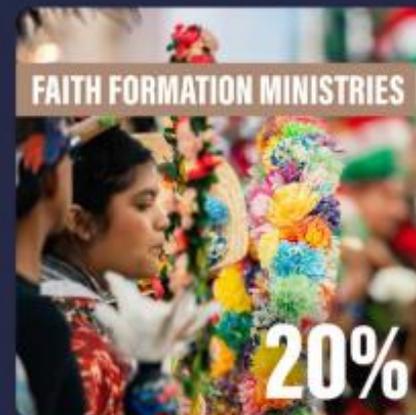
# Parish Coordinators

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- Make sure posters are placed in the Church Parish no later than February 27
- Bishop's Appeal Button added to the web for ease of giving
- Weekly Social Media posts as driven by Manual/Flocknote
- Coordinate with the guest speaker
- Understand each ministry and the new additions
- Receive a weekly reminder email beginning in February



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# Catholic Schools Office

Our Office of Catholic Schools provides educational opportunities for our staff to grow spiritually and academically, ensuring our students have well-formed teachers who have an innovative curriculum at their fingertips. As the largest evangelization ministry of our diocese, the Office of Catholic Schools supports our school and students by:

- Annual Educator Convocation providing professional and spiritual development
- St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Cohort - professional development of future leaders in our schools
- Data Specialist who provides data interpretation and analysis to our schools
- Evaluation of classroom performance, with the use of the Bullseye Platform
- Board Training for individual school boards
- Consultative support for administration and development from the Office of Catholic Schools



# Youth Ministry

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- And to foster unity and collaboration across the diocese so that every parish, every school, and every family can share in a vibrant ministry that helps our youth grow in love of God and one another

# Faith Formation Ministries

Your gifts provide resources for our diocese to:

- Training of **youth and adult formation leaders** to better serve our parishes
- Serving 500+ college students through campus ministry at St. Thomas Aquinas, located on Nicholls State University, through **Colonel Catholics**
- Serving the community with formation and evangelization events such as **Theology on Tap**
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# Seminarian Education

Your generous gifts to our Bishop's Appeal provide essential funding each year to cover the annual costs of educating our seminarians right here in our diocese. Your gifts provide resources for our diocese to:

- Educate our 5 seminarians at Notre Dame Seminary and St. Joseph Seminary
- Educate 3 men in the St. Joseph the Worker House of Formation,
- Average cost to educate is \$45,000 per year, per seminarian for 9 years
- Provide Room and Board, tuition, and healthcare if needed



# Retired Priests

Once a priest retires, a parish no longer supports his income; he is then supported and funded through the diocesan priest retirement fund. Your gift provides the essential support, such as:

- Supports the beloved 17 retired priests of our diocese with supplemental retirement income
- Funds supplemental health insurance,
- Funds long-term care needs and
- Other required services for them to continue to live in our diocese.



# Regional Receptions

## Locations:

- **Sunday, March 8th**
  - **St. Hilary 11am (Central Lafourche)**
- **Saturday, March 14th**
  - **Holy Cross 5:30pm (Morgan City)**
- **Sunday, March 15th**
  - **Sacred Heart, Cut Off 11am (South Lafourche)**
- **Saturday, March 21st**
  - **St. Genevieve 4pm (Thibodaux)**
- **Sunday, March 22nd**
  - **St. Bernadette 11am (Houma)**



Most Reverend Simon Peter Engurait  
cordially invites you to a

## ONE DIOCESE, ONE MISSION

A REGIONAL GATHERING WITH YOUR BISHOP

*as he shares updates on ministries across our diocese and offers his sincere gratitude for your prayers and support of the Bishop's Appeal.*

**SUNDAY, MARCH 15**

**11:00AM-2:00PM**

*11:00 a.m. Mass with a reception to follow  
in the Church Life Center*

**SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
*15300 W. Main St., Cut Off*



*This invitation is extended to parishioners and surrounding  
parishes throughout the South Lafourche region.*

RSVP is not required but appreciated to help us prepare.  
Scan the QR Code, or contact Logan Crosby at 985-850-3136.

## Report Summary



<b># of Parishes:</b>	42
<b>Goal:</b>	\$1,106,100.00
<b>Total Pledged:</b>	\$952,365.64
<b>Total Paid:</b>	\$1,053,565.40
<b>Pledge Balance:</b>	<u>(\$101,199.76)</u>
<b>Pledge Overpayment:</b>	\$108,724.18
<b>Unpaid Pledges:</b>	\$7,524.42

<b>Families:</b>	32,439
<b>Pledges:</b>	2,165
<b>Pledges fully paid:</b>	1,653
<b>Pledges outstanding:</b>	512
<b>Sustaining Gifts:</b>	0
<b>Average Pledge:</b>	\$439.89

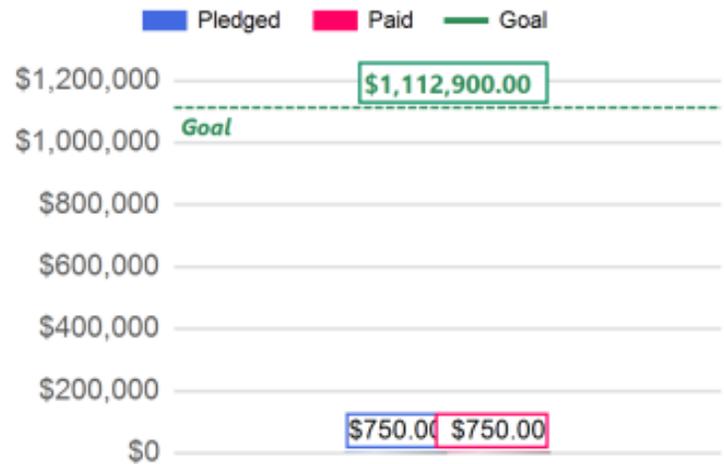
# 2025 Results



**Special  
Congratulations  
for Reaching  
100% of your  
parish goal**

- Cathedral of St. Francis de Sales
  - Christ the Redeemer
  - Sacred Heart, Morgan City
  - St. Andrew
  - St. Ann
  - St. Bridget
  - St. Charles Borromeo, St. Charles
  - St. Eloi
  - St. Gregory Barbarigo
  - St. James Mission
  - St. John the Evangelist
  - St. Joseph, Galliano
  - St. Joseph Co-Cathedral
  - Thanh Gia
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## Report Summary



<b># of Parishes:</b>	43
<b>Goal:</b>	\$1,112,900.00
<b>Total Pledged:</b>	\$750.00
<b>Total Paid:</b>	\$750.00
<b>Pledge Balance:</b>	\$0.00

<b>Families:</b>	32,439
<b>Pledges:</b>	5
<b>Pledges fully paid:</b>	5
<b>Pledges outstanding:</b>	0
<b>Sustaining Gifts:</b>	0
<b>Average Pledge:</b>	\$150.00

<b>Pledge Overpayment:</b>	\$0.00
<b>Unpaid Pledges:</b>	\$0.00

## 2026 Goals

See the attachment on email received from Bishop Simon Peter to Pastors, Secretaries, and Bookkeepers on January 8<sup>th</sup> <https://htdiocese.org/parish-resources>



# Primary Focus: Increased Participation

- Building One Catholic Community, One Family Together
- While our dollar goal is important, our focus in 2026 is increase participation at each parish!
- % Increased Participation Prizes:
  - Gold: Top participation increase
  - Silver: Second-highest increase
  - Bronze: Highest First-time donors from your parish
- Deadline: July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026



# WINNER! WINNER!

- **Gold: The largest increase in percentage of participation from 2025 to 2026**
  - Grant from CFSL for \$2,000 towards your parish youth ministry program.
  - Bishop to host a Gratitude Dinner/Lunch with Parish staff
- **Silver: The Second-highest increase in percentage of participation from 2025 to 2026**
  - Grant from CFSL for \$1,000 towards your parish youth ministry program.
- **Bronze: Highest percentage of first-time donors from your parish**
  - Bishop honors your parishioners at a dedicated mass at your parish.

# Key Concepts



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS  
ART CONTEST



CELEBRATION  
LUNCHES



GUEST SPEAKERS



REGIONAL  
RECEPTIONS



STATE OF THE  
DIOCESE



PARISH DONOR  
INCENTIVATIVE



2026 DIOCESE OF HOUMA+THIBODAUX

# BISHOP'S APPEAL

## IN GOD ALONE, WE GROW IN LOVE



# Poster



### WAYS TO GIVE

Online at  
[htdiocese.org/bishopsappeal](https://htdiocese.org/bishopsappeal)

Mail checks made payable to:  
Annual Bishop's Appeal,  
P.O. Box 505, Schriever, LA 70395



In pew at a church parish



Call 985-850-3175 or  
email [mohmer@htdiocese.org](mailto:mohmer@htdiocese.org)



# Brochure

## JOIN THE ST. FRANCIS CIRCLE WITH A RECURRING GIFT



Recurring gifts are environmentally friendly gifts helping to reduce printing, postage, and administrative costs while helping to sustain the ministries of the Bishop's Appeal.

## JOIN THE BISHOP'S SOCIETY

The Bishop's Society recognizes members of the Catholic faithful who contribute \$250 or more to the Bishop's Appeal. This commitment has a tremendous impact on the immediate needs of our ministries and parishes.

- BISHOP'S PARTNERS IN HOPE (\$250 TO \$499)**
  - Monthly E-Mail Messages
  - Annual Progress Report
  - Inclusion in Bishop's personal Mass prayer intentions
  - Personal invitation to Regional Bishop receptions

## BISHOP'S CIRCLE (\$500 TO \$2,499)

- All of the above, plus the following:
  - Catholic Foundation of South Louisiana Report
  - Invitation to State of the Diocese address

## MITRE SOCIETY (\$2,500 TO \$4,999)

- All of the above, plus the following:
  - Invitations to special diocesan events such as the Chrism Mass and Ordination

## CROZIER'S SOCIETY (\$5,000 TO \$9,999)

- All of the above, plus the following:
  - Private tour of St. Francis de Sales Cathedral or St. Joseph Co-Cathedral followed by Mass and lunch with key diocesan leaders (based on availability of staff and donor preference)

## SOCIETY OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD (\$10,000 AND ABOVE)

- All of the above, plus the following:
  - Special gift from the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux

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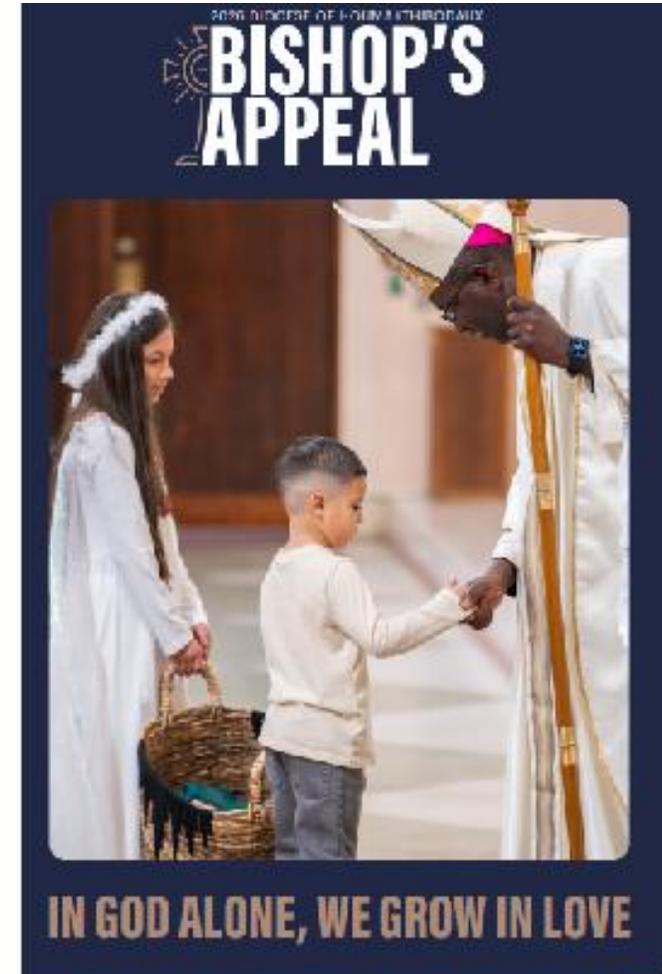
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# Brochure – South Lafourche

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

**My favorite prayer: The Act of Contrition** because this is my plea to God to forgive me for the sins I have done.

At Holy Rosary we practice a different virtue every month. Each month one student from pre-k, elementary, and middle school is picked as the student who has performed a virtue that is the best in their age group. It is one of my favorite things about Holy Rosary. Also, my classmates and I each have a "Little Buddy" from kindergarten. Once a week we go to their class and we not only learn subjects with them but even more importantly we also learn something related to God.

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## FAITH FORMATION MINISTRIES

**My favorite scripture is: Therefore go and make disciples of all nations... Matthew 28:19** This passage is known as the **Great Commission**, and helps me to lead others to the faith and Jesus is calling for everyone to follow him.

Campus ministry inspires students firstly, by founding themselves in Christ and then going out to help others who are seeking the Holy Spirit in their lives. The Ministry teaches through prayer about the many opportunities of how to grow in spiritual life and in leadership. Through both the campus ministry and the Holy Spirit, strangers become friends and friends become family. Being around other students who are so deeply rooted in their faith is a great motivator for me to live my life with Christ as my center. I believe that every person can use their unique skills and talents to give others a chance to know who God is.

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# Brochure – Houma

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**My favorite prayer: Hail Mary**  
This prayer helps me realize that I am not alone and the words comfort me. Mary, the mother of Jesus reminds me that God's love is all around us.



I have seen my classmates spread God's love when including others in group assignments and social activities, when helping a peer if he/she is having a bad day, and when taking on responsibilities and tasks without being asked. My teachers show God's love by being patient, encouraging their students, and by using their own time to listen to our problems and struggles. All these examples of how God's love is being spread throughout school add up to make a welcoming environment where everyone can feel loved and valued. Also, when I served breakfast to veterans and learned that serving others is helping God's love grow in our community.

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I am a sophomore, and it astounds me to think of how much I have grown in just one year of being here. I have learned how to pray, I have learned my identity as Christ's Beloved, and I have been met with the reality of just how deep the Father's love is for me. I am currently serving on the executive board of the Colonel Catholics, leading a bible study and five girls in discipleship (one-on-one formation following scripture/church teaching). The Lord has blessed me abundantly with these opportunities to become a vessel of His love. Thank you for supporting the Annual Bishop's Appeal.

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These parts of the prayers show and remind me how all people are human, and we all make mistakes along the bumpy road of life. I see God's love through teachers and students when we participate in mass all together, and unite as a school. When we recite the Our Father, I can feel the Holy Spirit in all our voices coming together seamlessly. We are doing a Christmas drive service project to raise money for the gifts that go under the Giving Tree, and the 6th and 7th graders are responsible for bringing in money to buy the gifts for the less fortunate children. The 7th graders work with Ms. Betsy to buy the gifts, and the 6th graders wrap the gifts.

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Before joining the Colonel Catholics, I was not Catholic and only knew of Jesus from a distance. Through campus ministry, I found a safe place to ask questions, met a supportive community, and now walk with others who helped lead me to Christ. I came to know God as my father and friend, an experience that ultimately led to my conversion. Campus ministry inspires students to lead with love, reminding us that we are called to be disciples and spread the Good News. I hope to continue to lead with the same love and compassion Jesus showed, so that those who feel lost can discover a home with Christ.

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# Segmented Letters



Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux  
2770 Highway 311 | Post Office Box 505  
Schriever, Louisiana 70395

Dear <INFORMAL NAME>,

From the time I was first welcomed to Houma-Thibodaux as a seminarian, I have been deeply touched by the warmth and faith of the people of our diocese. Now, as your bishop and shepherd, that love and warm embrace has only amplified as I feel your prayers daily. Over these years, I have witnessed our diocese grow in love, through your prayers, your generosity, and your steadfast devotion to Christ and His Church.

Across the bayous, parishes, and communities of our beloved diocese, the love and mercy of God continue to shine through the faithful hearts of His people. When you give to the Bishop's Appeal, you help nurture that love, allowing faith to take root, hope to flourish, and lives to be transformed in God alone.

Our theme this year, **In God Alone, We Grow in Love**, reminds us that love is the soil in which our Church grows strong. No single parish can do alone what we can accomplish together. Your generosity strengthens every corner of our diocese:

- Forming **seminarians** who will one day serve our altars
- Teaching our young people the beauty of our faith in our **Catholic schools**
- Ensuring our aging **retired priests** who continue to serve our parishes are cared for
- Supporting **youth ministry** that guides our young disciples to encounter Christ personally, grow in their faith, and become active witnesses of His love in their schools, families, and communities.

**Love does not depend on closeness in miles, but on closeness of heart.** It flows from the very heart of God, uniting us as one family in Christ. Each act of kindness, each prayer, and each gift is a seed of divine love planted in the world.

As Scripture reminds us, "Let us love, not in word or speech, but in deed and truth" (1 John 3:18). In living our love, we allow God's grace to take root within us and bear fruit that endures.



Make your gift online!  
[htdiocese.org/give-now](http://htdiocese.org/give-now)

To make your gift by credit card or electronic funds transfer, please visit our secure website.



## 1. YES, I WANT TO SUPPORT THE 2026 ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL

- OR
- With a **yearly** gift of:
- \$-000-  \$-0000-  \$-0000-  \$-0000-  Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Until I choose to stop  Monthly payments ending in Dec. 2026  4 quarterly payments
- With a **one-time** gift of:
- \$-0000-  \$-0000-  \$-0000-  \$-0000-  Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. PAYMENT DETAILS

Make checks payable to:  
**Annual Bishop's Appeal**

Full amount enclosed  
 First payment enclosed

Check enclosed for: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Balance remaining: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For questions or assistance, please call Michelle Ohmer at (985) 850-3175 or email [bishop appeal@htdiocese.org](mailto:bishop appeal@htdiocese.org)



Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux  
2770 Highway 311 | Post Office Box 505  
Schriever, Louisiana 70395

Our ministries grow when we open our hands and hearts to share what God has already shared so generously with us. **When we give of ourselves, our time, our prayers, and our resources, we reflect the very love of Christ, who gave all for us.**

Every gift, great or small, becomes an act of trust in God's providence and a witness of our shared mission to care for one another.

<Informal Name>, It is in this spirit of unity that I invite you to consider becoming a member of our Bishop's Society. You have demonstrated your strong faith, filled with conviction and care, by supporting the Bishop's Appeal. I ask you to please continue your charitable giving and, if possible, consider a gift of **\$(BUMP STRATEGY)** to join this very important society. By offering your support, you demonstrate a shared vision for the future and mission of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux.

**INFOMAL NAME**, I ask you to respond with faith and urgency. The needs before us are many, yet together our love can do great things. Your generosity today ensures that Christ's light continues to shine brightly in our diocese.

Together, **In God Alone, We Grow in Love.**

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Simon Peter Engurait  
Bishop of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux



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## 3. DONOR INFORMATION

Primary Email \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number  Mobile  Home  Work

Please send information on contributing through:  
 Stock/Securities  IRA  My Estate

## 4. LEAVE A LEGACY

Yes, I would like to learn more about how to include my parish, a Catholic School, the Diocese and/or other ministry.

# Non-Donor and Lapse Post Card

## IN GOD ALONE, WE GROW IN LOVE

Now is the time to return and let your love grow once more.

Dear <variable name>,  
Your love once helped faith take root and grow across our Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux. From forming seminarians and supporting our parishes, to reaching the poor and guiding our youth, your generosity once bore great fruit.

But love, like faith, needs tending. We've felt your absence, your compassion, your prayer, and your generosity. Every gift to the **Bishop's Appeal** is a seed of hope. Together, we can nurture faith, strengthen our parishes, and share Christ's love across our bayous and beyond.

Let your love take root again — today.  
**Give now to the Bishop's Appeal.**

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

From the moment I first set foot in Houma-Thibodaux, I was embraced with a love that reflected the very heart of Christ. As your bishop, I continue to feel that love in your prayers, your kindness, and your unwavering faith. Across our bayous and communities, I see God's gentle grace at work in you, and through your support of the Bishop's Appeal, that grace continues to grow and bless our entire diocese.

**Our theme, In God Alone, We Grow in Love, invites us to remember that love is the soil in which the Church thrives.** When you share your love through a gift today, you help nurture ministries that reveal God's tenderness each day:

- Forming our **seminarians** who will one day serve our altars
- Teaching our children the beauty of faith in our **Catholic schools**
- Caring lovingly for our **retired priests** who have given their lives in service
- And supporting **youth ministry** that leads our young people into a personal encounter with Christ.

I invite you to pause and look around and see how love is already growing in our homes, parishes, and communities because of faithful hearts like yours. Every gift becomes an act of trust in God's providence and a seed of hope planted for the future of our Church. Please consider a gift to continue this beautiful mission.

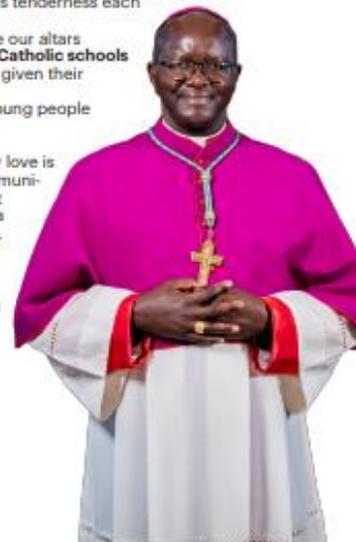
I ask you, with a shepherd's heart, to respond with faith and tenderness, so that Christ's light may shine ever more brightly in our diocese.

Together, In God Alone, We Grow in Love.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

*Simon Peter Engurait*

**Most Reverend Simon Peter Engurait**  
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# Prayer Card and Prayer Intentions



Heavenly Father,  
In the quiet of our hearts, we gather to acknowledge Your boundless love and grace. We thank You for the gifts You have bestowed upon us—our time, our talents, and our treasures. As we walk this journey of faith, remind us that in You alone do we find our strength, purpose, and inspiration.

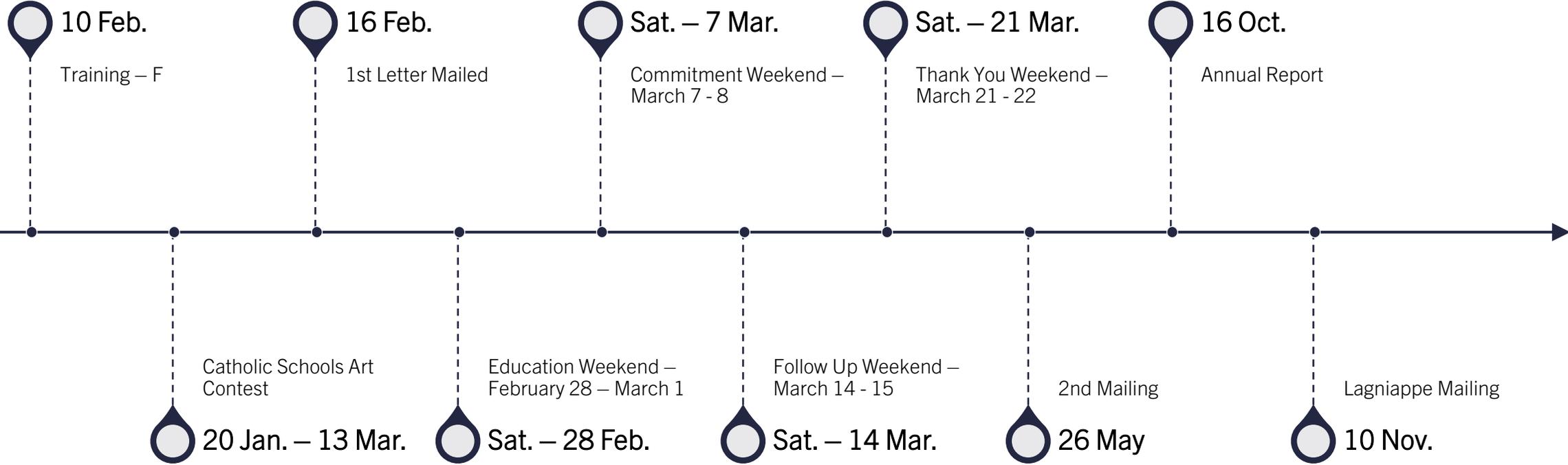
Help us, Lord, to be faithful stewards of all that You have entrusted to us. May we recognize that everything we have is a blessing from You, and in gratitude, let us share generously with those in need. Teach us to love as You love, to give as You give, and to serve with humility and joy.

Lord, guide us to use our gifts wisely, for Your glory and the good of our neighbors. In our stewardship, may we see the face of Christ in every person we encounter. Let our actions speak of Your love, drawing others closer to You.

In God alone, we grow in love. May our lives be a testament to this truth, shining brightly in a world that longs for hope.

We ask this in the name of  
Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
Amen.

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**Thank you!**



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**Questions?**

**Thank You!**