

*Go Make Disciples*

## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

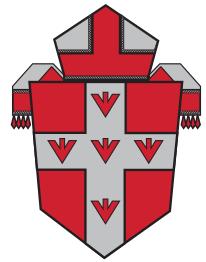
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—Isaiah 58:9

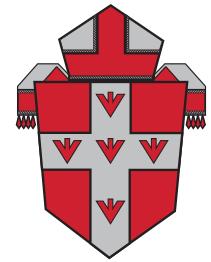
**2026 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL MANUAL**



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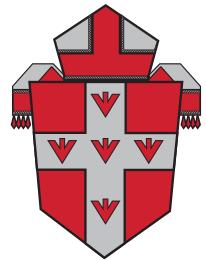


# ACA PRAYER



Heavenly Father,  
You hear the cries of your people and respond with love. As we enter into the Annual Catholic Appeal, we ask you to bless our efforts to serve those around us. Fill us with compassion, generosity and faith, so that our support of the Annual Catholic Appeal may extend Christ's presence and hope throughout the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City. Strengthen our unity as one Church and guide us in answering your call with joy.

**Amen.**



# WHAT IS THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL?

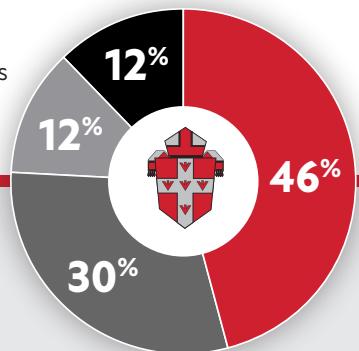
The **Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA)** is more than an archdiocesan fundraiser — it is a call to mission. It is an opportunity for every Catholic in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City to join in the Church's vital work of **spreading the Gospel and making disciples**.

The ACA supports **essential ministries, programs and services** that bring Christ's love to people in every corner of our archdiocese — from seminarians preparing for the priesthood, to faith formation for children and adults, to outreach through Hispanic and Native American ministry and much more. Every gift helps bring the light of Christ to our neighbors.

Your role in the Annual Catholic Appeal is not simply about asking for money — it's about inviting our parishioners to participate in the Church's mission to "Go Make Disciples." When people see the real lives being changed through their generosity, they begin to understand that their gift is not to a collection — but to a cause, to a mission, to Christ Himself.

As pastors, staff and volunteers, you play a critical role in helping others recognize that their support of the ACA is a response to God's call to serve, to give of themselves and to walk in unity as One Body of Christ.

Archbishop Coakley invites you to lead by example by sharing its deeper purpose: to spread Christ's word, to build His Church and to transform lives through the power of faith in action.



## How Your Gifts Support the Mission of the Church

### Evangelization and Catechesis: 46%

As the Body of Christ, the Church is called to make the love of Jesus visible and present in the world today. This mission comes to life through the many ministries offered across the archdiocese serving people of all ages, backgrounds and walks of life.

- American Indian Catholic Outreach
- Altum Institute
- Hispanic Ministry
- Marriage and Family Life
- Parish Leadership
- Youth, Young Adult and Campus Evangelization

### Education and Vocation: 30%

A vital aspect of the Church's ministry is the education and formation of the next generation of disciples. Through Catholic education and spiritual formation, the Church fosters future lay and clergy leaders who are grounded in scripture, shaped by tradition and prepared to serve with wisdom and compassion.

- Catholic Schools
- Seminarian and Deaconate Formation

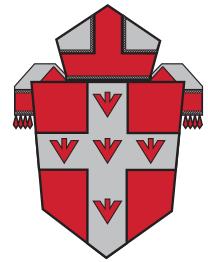
### Faith Formation Buildings: 12%

Our Catholic facilities across the archdiocese provide welcoming spaces for prayer, fellowship and formation. Through these facilities we support the ongoing life of the Church by hosting conferences, events and ministry gatherings where individuals and groups can come together to grow in faith and encounter Christ in the community.

- Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Camp
- Parish Facilities Grants
- Catholic Pastoral Center Conference Center

### Diocesan Support and Safe Environment: 12%

The dedicated staff of the archdiocese serves to strengthen and support the mission of the Church across all parishes and ministries. This includes our commitment to Safe Environment through ongoing screening, training and a shared responsibility to strive to create spaces where all can encounter Christ in safety, trust and dignity.



# 2026 THEME

We are going away from having a theme be the center of the appeal. This has caused confusion and we want parishioners to understand what the Annual Catholic Appeal is. Instead, our communication will be rooted in the reading from Commitment Weekend. This year, the first reading during Commitment Weekend comes from the prophet Isaiah:

***“Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say: Here I am!” (Isaiah 58:9)***

These words remind us that God hears the cries of his people and responds with love. Through the Annual Catholic Appeal, we are called to be part of that response—sharing Christ’s presence, compassion and hope with others. Each gift is more than a contribution: It is our answer to God’s call to serve.

## ACA 2026 TIMELINE

### Important Dates:

INTRODUCTION WEEKEND | **January 31–February 1**

COMMITMENT WEEKEND | **February 7–8**

FOLLOW-UP WEEKEND | **February 14–15**

#### **January 2026:**

ACA Website Launch, Parish Materials Delivered, Letter 1 mailed, Archbishop's Circle Mass and Receptions, ACA Training

#### **January 8:**

Delivery of ACA Materials to your parish via USPS

#### **January 10:**

Archbishop's Circle Mass and Reception at The Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

#### **January 13:**

Archbishop's Circle Mass and Reception at Christ the King

#### **January 14–15:**

ACA Training Sessions

*January 14, 2:00–3:00 p.m.*

*January 15, 10:00–11:00 a.m.*

#### **January 20:**

Archbishop's Circle Mass and Reception at Saint Matthew's in Elk City

#### **January 31–February 1: INTRODUCTION WEEKEND**

- Read Archbishop's Letter during Mass
- Hand out bulletin insert
- Share ACA Video online

#### **February 7–8: COMMITMENT WEEKEND**

- Envelopes in pews
- Solicit Appeal
- Special Collection

#### **February 14–15: FOLLOW-UP WEEKEND**

- Final announcement about the appeal

#### **March 26:**

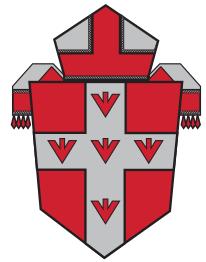
Letter 2 from Pastor to donors who haven't responded

#### **April 29:**

Letter 3 Ministry highlight

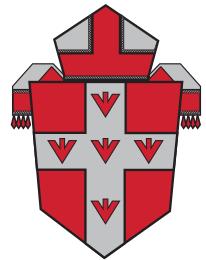
#### **March–December 2026:**

Progress updates, donor acknowledgments, pledge payments.



# 2026 ACA TIMELINE

<b>JANUARY 2026</b>		
<b>Date</b>	<b>We do</b>	<b>You do</b>
Week of Jan. 1	ACA website is launched	Check out our website! <a href="http://www.archokc.org/appeal">www.archokc.org/appeal</a>
Week of Jan. 5th	ACA Materials Shipped	Confirm you received ACA Materials
Jan. 7	Archbishop's Letter #1	
Jan 14th and 15th	Host 2026 ACA Training	Register to attend one ACA training. Issues? Please contact Jennifer Yardley at 405-720-7258 or email <a href="mailto:JYardley@archokc.org">JYardley@archokc.org</a>
<b>FEBRUARY 2026</b>		
INTRO WEEKEND January 31–February 1	Detailed email of what needs to be done including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Announcements</li><li>•Prayers of the Faithful</li><li>•Bulletin Announcements</li></ul>	Display ACA posters (leave up throughout Appeal period) Digital as well. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Read Archbishop's Letter</li><li>•Show or email ACA video</li><li>•Hand out bulletin insert</li><li>•Print Bulletin Announcement</li></ul>
COMMITMENT WEEKEND Feb 7/8	Detailed email of what needs to be done including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Announcement</li><li>•In Pew script</li><li>•Prayers of the Faithful</li><li>•QR code Sheet</li><li>•Bulletin Announcements</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Place bangtail envelopes and QR code sheets in pews.</li><li>•Preach homily + Solicitation Script</li><li>•Take up Special Appeal Collection</li></ul>
Mon. Feb. 9		Use pre-paid Tyvek Security Envelopes to return any ACA gifts received at weekend Masses. Make sure the envelopes you use have the new <u>Oklahoma City</u> mailing address! (see pgs. 31- 32). DO NOT OPEN SEALED ACA ENVELOPES.
FOLLOW UP WEEKEND Feb 14/15	Detailed email of what needs to be done including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Announcements</li><li>•Prayers of the Faithful</li><li>•Bulletin Announcements</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Encourage 100% participation- Remember your participation goal to earn the Parish Participation Grant.</li><li>•Thank those who gave during commitment weekend!</li><li>•Bulletin Announcement</li></ul>
Mon. Feb. 16		Use pre-paid Tyvek Security Envelopes to return any ACA gifts received at weekend Masses (see pgs. 31- 32). DO NOT OPEN SEALED ACA ENVELOPES.
Tue. Feb 18	Prepare Letter 2 from Pastor	Pastor provides personal edits for ACA Letter 2 to Jennifer.
<b>MARCH through DECEMBER 2026</b>		
March	Letter 2 mailed to donors	
April	Letter 3 mailed to donors	
August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Provide mid-year progress report to Parishes</li><li>•Mid-year campaign</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Share mid-year progress with your parishioners. Thank all parishioners who have made a gift!</li><li>•Solicit mid-year campaign if not close to goal.</li></ul>
March–December	Provide updates of parish progress toward goal.	Promote ACA throughout the year encouraging meeting financial and participation goals.



# QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

## 2026 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL – GOAL: \$4.6 MILLION

ACA WEBSITES:

### Donor Resources - [www.archokc.org/appeal](http://www.archokc.org/appeal)

- General ACA Information
- Donate to ACA
- ACA Progress Report

### Parish Resources - [www.archokc.org/appealdocuments](http://www.archokc.org/appealdocuments)

- General ACA Resources
- Introduction, In Pew, and Follow Up Talking Points
- Social Media Images (also located on CSM)
- Bulletin Ministry Ads

### Ways To Give:

- Online
- Pledge Form with Monthly or One-Time options
- Stock: For more information visit [archokc.org/stock](http://archokc.org/stock).
- Donor Advised Fund (DAF)
- IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution: For more information visit [archokc.org/qcd](http://archokc.org/qcd).
- Phone Giving: Call the Stewardship and Development office 405-709-2745 for any gift option questions or for help.

### NEW Mailing Address:

Archdiocese of Oklahoma City  
Dept #960658  
Oklahoma City, OK 73196

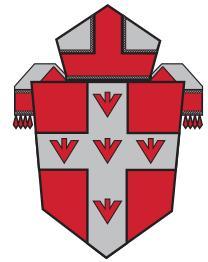


### REMEMBER!

ACA material can be found  
online at :  
[www.ArchOKC.org/  
AppealDocuments](http://www.ArchOKC.org/AppealDocuments)



Continue to check this parish resource  
page throughout the year!



# 2026 ACA CHECKLIST & INCENTIVES

Below is a list of parish-specific materials for the 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal, including:

- Resource Manual
- In-pew Envelopes (parish-specific)
- Posters
- QR Pew Cards
- Tyvek Envelopes
- Parish Resource Sheets for January-Pentecost:
  - Bulletin Messaging and Ads
  - Prayers of the Faithful
  - Social Media Content
  - Announcements

All pew response cards and envelopes are **specific to your parish. They are printed with your Parish Name and ID.** Please do not create your own envelopes or borrow from another parish. If you need additional ACA materials, including pew response cards, please contact Jennifer Yardley at 405-720-7258 | [jyardley@archokc.org](mailto:jyardley@archokc.org)

## 2026 ACA Incentives:

- Parishes: Up to \$2,500 parish participation grant
  - \$1,500 awarded after completing all 8 steps by March 2
  - \$1,000 awarded upon meeting participation goal
- Missions: Up to \$500 grant
  - \$250 awarded after completing steps by March 2
  - \$250 awarded upon meeting participation goal

## Required Training:

- Assign ACA chairperson
- Attend Jan 14th or 15th training

## Intro Weekend January 31-February 1:

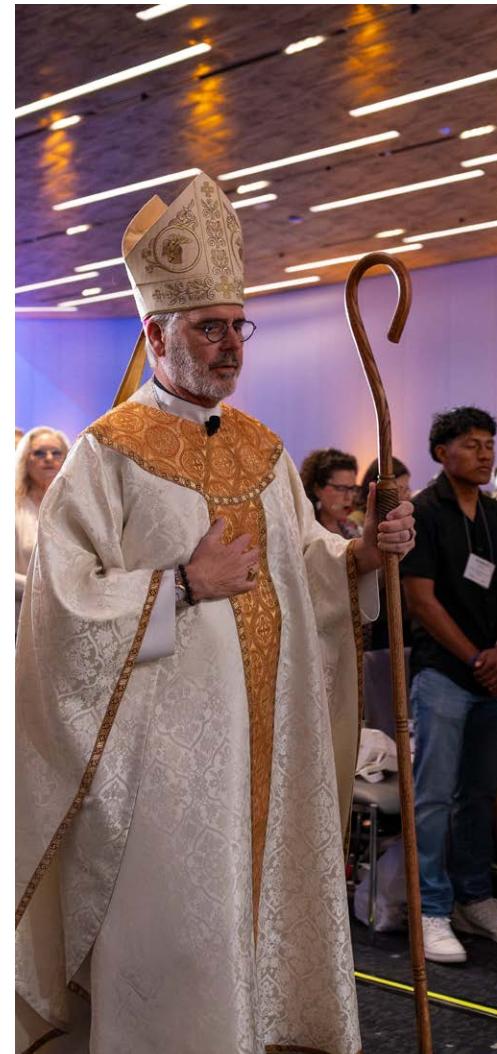
- Read letter from Archbishop
- Hand out bulletin insert
- Share ACA video

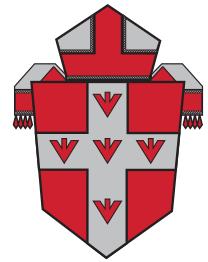
## Commitment Weekend February 7-8

- Complete ACA in-pew script
- Ensure envelopes are in pews
- Take up ACA special collection

## Follow Up Weekend February 14-15

- Encourage 100% participation





# INSTRUCTIONS FOR ACA COLLECTIONS & GIFT HANDLING

All ACA gifts should be mailed promptly to ensure speed, security and transparency. **Beginning in 2026, ACA gifts will be processed locally in Oklahoma City.** Please note there is a new mailing address for ACA gifts— Please help us ensure this new address is used by discarding all previous ACA material.

## MAILING ADDRESS:

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Dept #960658  
Oklahoma City, OK 73196

## **Gift Handling Procedures:**

### **LOOSE CASH/COINS**

- Count all loose cash and coins.
- Deposit the cash and coins into your parish account.
- Write a check drawn on your parish account for the corresponding amount, made out to Archdiocese of Oklahoma City, Memo Lin: Annual Catholic Appeal.
- Place the check in the prepaid return mailer or your own packaging with sufficient postage to the address listed above.

### **CHECKS WITHOUT ENVELOPES**

- Bundle all loose checks (those not received in sealed envelopes) with rubber band.
- Attach transmittal form ([access at archokc.org/appealdocuments](http://access.archokc.org/appealdocuments)).
- Place the checks in the prepaid return mailer or your own packaging with sufficient postage to the address listed above.

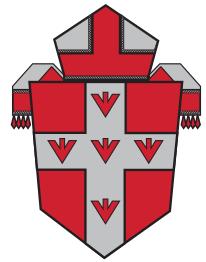
### **SEALED PLEDGE ENVELOPES**

- Please DO NOT OPEN.
- Bundle with rubber band.
- Attach completed transmittal form.
- Place the bundles of sealed pledge envelopes in the prepaid return mailer or your own packaging with sufficient postage to the address listed above.

### **COMPLETED PLEDGE CARDS WITHOUT ENVELOPES**

- You may receive some pledge cards without an envelope.
- Check to make sure your parish is correctly identified on each pledge card.
- Bundle loose completed pledge cards with a rubber band.
- Attach completed transmittal form to each bundle.
- Place the bundles of sealed pledge envelopes in the prepaid return mailer or your own packaging with sufficient postage to the address listed above.

**Always mail gifts immediately so donors can be acknowledged promptly.**



# PARISH ROLES AND LEADERSHIP

## ACA Leadership Team

It is recommended to create an ACA Leadership Team to help implement the appeal. This includes the pastor, Appeal Chair and administrative contact. The ACA Leadership Team helps execute ACA steps, encourages participation and communicates with parishioners.

- **Priests & Deacons**

Main leaders and advocates of ACA. Appoint Appeal Chair, encourage participation and support implementation.

- **Parish Appeal Chairperson**

Individual or small group of people. Serves as a partner to help pastor execute the ACA. Responsible for placing pledge envelopes and pens in pews before each Mass, works with ushers to ensure pledge envelopes are collected, provides a personal witness about the ACA to parishioners during Mass, invites and recruits more parishioners to participate.

- **Parish Administrative Contact** (*can be the same person as the Appeal Chair or someone new*)

Responsible for coordinating logistics at the parish including ensuring promotional materials are placed/used such as bulletin announcements, ACA video, QR sheets, posters, etc. Ensures gifts are mailed in a timely manner to: Archdiocese of Oklahoma City, Dept # 960658, Oklahoma City, OK 73196. Serves as liaison with Office of Stewardship & Development.

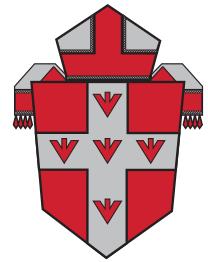
## How can I better serve my parish by implementing the appeal as a pastor, staff or volunteer?

- Educate yourself about the appeal and the ministries it supports to confidently share the case for support to donors.
- Give EVERY member in your parish the opportunity and invitation to participate.
- Pray for generosity and support of the Annual Catholic Appeal.
- Please do not hesitate to ask for help!

## Recommendations

Every parish in our archdiocese is unique, and you know your parish better than anyone. As you prepare for this year's Annual Catholic Appeal Commitment Weekend, we want to provide you with a few recommendations to make this year's ACA a success!





# INTRODUCTION & COMMITMENT WEEKEND

**The weekend before Commitment Weekend is known as Introduction Weekend—a time to prepare your parishioners to discern supporting the ACA.**

## January 31 – February 1, 2026

In participation of this weekend, we ask you to:

- Locate and review all ACA promotional material
- Display ACA posters
- Read Archbishop's Letter
- Include Special Intercession
- Share ACA Video
- Publish Bulletin Announcement #1
- ACA Chair provides encouraging remarks
- Hand out bulletin inserts
- Email parishioners the ACA video with link to give: [www.archokc.org/aca](http://www.archokc.org/aca)
  - Top 25 Parishes: use your unique URL

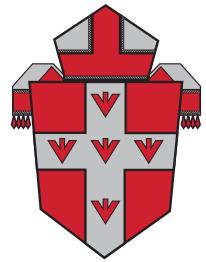
## Commitment Weekend

The goal of Commitment Weekend is to distribute ACA materials to parishioners, share the impact of the ACA and encourage them to support the appeal. The success of your parish's Commitment Weekend is essential to the 2026 ACA. A strong Commitment weekend not only increases total contributions but also encourages more parishioners to participate, including first-time donors: **80% of first-time gifts come from in-pew.**

## February 7 – 8, 2026

As with Introduction Weekend, there are a few things we ask you to do during and after to make your Commitment Weekend a success:

- Homily connects readings to ACA
- Pastor/Celebrant guides In-Pew Appeal using provided script
- Publish Bulletin Announcement #2
- Remind parishioners there are many ways to give:
  - In pew response cards
  - Scanning the QR Pew Card to give securely online
  - Visit [www.archokc.org/aca](http://www.archokc.org/aca)
- Provide enough time for parishioners to make their gift
- Thank parishioners for their support and emphasize participation
- Collect sealed envelopes
- Include Special Intercession
- Send out email/social media reminder with ACA giving link: [www.archokc.org/aca](http://www.archokc.org/aca)



# FOLLOW-UP WEEKEND

## Follow-Up Weekend

Thank those who have given and encourage those who have not yet made their gift to join their brothers and sisters in Christ in supporting the ACA.

**February 14 – 15, 2026**

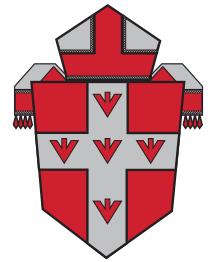
- Encourage 100% participation
- Publish Bulletin Announcement #3
- Include Special Intercession
- Thank parishioners who have already given
- Continue to provide envelopes, QR codes, and ACA video links
- After weekend masses, encouraged to collect extra envelopes and Bulletin sheets and save for later use

**During the summer/August, parishes that are below 50% of goal, will be encouraged to hold a second Commitment Weekend.**

For this second Commitment Weekend we ask:

- Choose a weekend (ideally by the middle of August)
- Promote in your bulletin, pulpit, social media and intercessions
- Place pledge envelopes in the pews or display the Appeal QR code
- Preach a personal, heartfelt homily — your voice makes the difference





## Sample of Appeal Chair/Volunteer Testimonial

### 1. Introduction

Good [morning/afternoon], my name is [your name], and I've been blessed to be part of [parish name] for [X years/as a [role]].

### 2. Share your involvement

I've been involved in [list one or two ministries/parish activities], and I've also had the opportunity to support archdiocesan ministries through the Annual Catholic Appeal.

### 3. Parish Goal & Participation

I'm excited to announce that our parish's goal for the 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal is \$[insert goal]. Just as important as reaching this goal is achieving 100% participation. Truly, no gift is too small—what matters most is that each of us takes part.

### 4. Why it matters

The ACA supports ministries that no single parish could provide on its own—like Catholic schools, seminary formation, marriage and family life programs, and providing spaces for retreat and camp facilities. These ministries only continue because of your generosity.

### 5. Personal witness

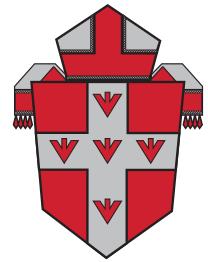
I give to the ACA because [insert your reason—perhaps gratitude for Catholic education, support for seminarians, or seeing the impact of retreats]. Giving is my way of saying 'thank you' to God and helping ensure that the next generation can experience the same faith and community that have shaped my life.

### 6. Make the ask

So today I invite you to join me this year. Take time this week to prayerfully discern how God is calling you to support the ACA this year. Next weekend is Commitment Weekend, and I encourage you to come ready to make a one-time or monthly gift.

### 7. Closing

Together, let's extend Christ's love and strengthen the mission of our Church in Oklahoma. Thank you for your generous spirit—together, we can make this Commitment Weekend a true blessing for so many.



# ARCHBISHOP'S LETTER

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Every day, we make many choices. Some are small, some are more important. Today, I invite you to pause and reflect on one question: **What is God calling you to do?**

It can feel like a lofty question. Buried under uncertainty or muffled by the noise of life, the answer can be hard to hear. Yet when we quiet our hearts and listen for the Holy Spirit, the answer becomes clear. God is calling us to partner with him—to make his love present in the world, to walk together as witnesses of faith and to be messengers of hope.

I have grappled often to clear away the noise to better open my heart to God's plan. What I have learned is this: **It all comes down to trust.** The more we open our hearts to God, the more we see his faithfulness, his mercy and his unfailing love.

God's call for his people is clear – he seeks not words alone, but active, sacrificial compassion. His promise is just as clear: when we give, serve and love in tangible ways, his light shines through us, transforming others and transforming us.

One way we can respond to this call is through the **Annual Catholic Appeal**. Your gift is not just a donation; it is a faith-filled act of trust. Through your support, we bring Christ's presence to life by:

- Forming seminarians and deacons to serve the Church
- Educating students of all ages, nurturing them academically, socially and spiritually
- Supporting families and strengthening marriage and home life
- Caring for retired priests who have dedicated their lives to God
- Funding youth programs, parish ministries and urgent repairs for rural parishes

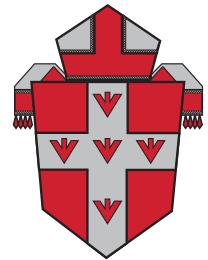
In the coming weeks, I invite you to reflect on the ways God has said, "**Here I am**" in your life. Then consider how you can be his answer for others—sharing his love, bringing his presence to those in need and helping others grow in faith.

Through your participation in the **Annual Catholic Appeal**, you can respond to God's call in a meaningful way. Your gift—offered in faith and trust—helps bring Christ's mercy, hope and healing to countless people across our archdiocese.

When we trust God, step forward to serve and care for one another, we can be certain: **He is with us, guiding us, strengthening us, and working through us to bring his love to those who need it most.**

Thank you for your faithfulness, your compassion, and your commitment to making God's love visible in our parish and community. Thank you for answering his call.

Most Rev. Paul S. Coakley  
Archbishop of Oklahoma City



# IN-PEW APPEAL SCRIPT – ENGLISH

## Commitment Weekend

**February 7–8, 2026**

*(For use by the Pastor/Celebrant at all Masses)*

After giving a brief homily on the readings of the day, follow this plan for guiding parishioners through the process of completing their In-Pew Gift Envelopes.

### **Reading through the script should only take 5 minutes**

This weekend we are conducting the 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal. The Appeal not only provides an opportunity for you to support important ministries that impact many programs outside of our parish boundaries, but it also supports the services the archdiocese provides directly to our parish.

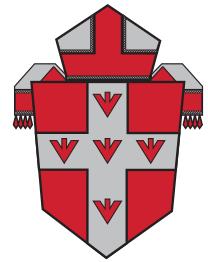
The goal as an archdiocese is to raise \$4.6 million and increase parishioner participation. If our parish meets our **participation goal, we have the opportunity to receive a grant back to our parish!** It is my hope that every household in our parish contributes to this year's effort.

Our parish goal this year is **<\$2026 Parish Goal>. I hope you will join me in helping to meet and exceed this year's goal!** The collective spirit we bring to this effort today will be a major step to our success with this year's appeal.

I want you to understand the real difference your gifts make. By supporting the **Annual Catholic Appeal**, you help:

- Prepare a new generation of priests and deacons. Today, we have 24 seminarians studying for the priesthood—the largest number in years. We also have over 30 aspirants—men aspiring to become deacons to serve in our parishes.
- Support our Catholic schools with camps, academic competitions and professional development for the teachers and staff.
- Provide welcoming spaces for prayer, fellowship and formation throughout archdiocesan owned facilities.
- Strengthen the offices and ministries of our archdiocese, which work to evangelize, unify and inspire Catholics throughout western and central Oklahoma.
- **And so much more!**

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# IN-PEW APPEAL SCRIPT (CONT.)

**(Insert personal testimonial here).**

This is why I support the appeal and why I hope you will as well.

Now, looking at your phone in church isn't usually encouraged—but this weekend, I'd like you to make an exception. You can easily and securely make a gift right now using your phone.

On your pledge card, you'll see a QR code. Simply open the camera on your phone, hover it over the QR code, and tap the notification that appears. This will take you directly to the **2026 Annual Catholic Appeal** website.

If you have trouble with the QR code, you can also go directly to: [www.archokc.org/aca](http://www.archokc.org/aca).

If you prefer to make your gift by check, you can do that by inserting your completed check into the envelope into your pew and sealing up the envelope.

Before I invite everyone to support the 2026 Appeal, I want to take a moment to highlight a special way to make a lasting impact—through monthly giving. In recent years, more and more families have embraced this meaningful way to give. Monthly gifts provide the Archdiocese with the stability to plan new initiatives and respond to opportunities throughout the year. Every gift makes a real difference—I am truly grateful for your partnership in this mission.

At this time, we'll pause for a few moments so anyone who has not yet given can use their phones to access the QR code and make a one-time or monthly gift.

If you've already given, **thank you very much!** During these moments, perhaps you could offer a prayer for the success of this year's appeal and for an increase in participation at our parish.

## **PAUSE FOR THREE MINUTES.**

**(Pastor fill out example form in front of parishioners)**

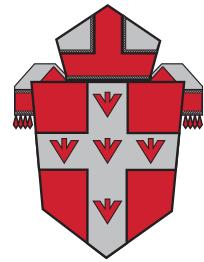
*To help pass the time for this section, you may want to consider playing soft music while people complete their online donations.*

After three minutes:

Thank you for taking the time to fill out the online form or complete your in-pew commitment card, and for supporting this year's appeal. With your support—and that of our entire Catholic community—we will make a profound difference, bringing the transformational love of Christ to every corner of our archdiocese.

We look forward to updating you on our appeal progress soon. God bless.

## **HAVE USHERS CONDUCT A SPECIAL COLLECTION TO PICK UP ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL GIFTS.**



# GUIÓN DE APELACIÓN EN LOS ASIENTOS

## Compromiso del fin de semana

### 7 y 8 de Febrero

(Para uso del Pastor/Celebrante de todas las misas)

Después de compartir una breve homilía sobre las lecturas del día, siga este plan para guiar a los feligreses a través del proceso de completar sus sobres de ofrendas ubicados en los asientos.

### La lectura de este guión debería tomar sólo 5 minutos

Este fin de semana nosotros estamos llevando a cabo la Campaña Católica Anual 2026. La apelación no solo te da la oportunidad de apoyar importantes ministerios que impactan muchos programas fuera de los límites de nuestra parroquia, pero también respaldan los servicios que la Arquidiócesis directamente ofrece a nuestra parroquia.

La meta como arquidiócesis es recaudar \$4.6 millones e incrementar la participación de los feligreses. Si nuestra parroquia alcanza la meta de participación, tendremos la oportunidad de recibir una subvención de regreso a nuestra Iglesia. Es mi esperanza que cada familia en nuestra parroquia contribuya con el esfuerzo de este año.

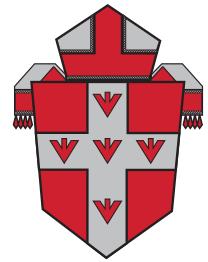
Nuestra meta parroquial de recaudación este año es de **<\$2026 meta parroquial>.** **Yo espero que te unas a mí ayudando a alcanzar y a superar la meta de este año!** El espíritu colectivo que hoy brindemos a esta campaña será un paso importante para el éxito de la apelación de este año.

Yo quiero que entiendas el real impacto que hace tu donación. Al apoyar la Campaña Católica Anual, ayudas a:

- Preparar una nueva generación de sacerdotes y diáconos. Hoy, tenemos 25 seminaristas estudiando para el sacerdocio -el grupo más numeroso en años! Nosotros tenemos más de 30 candidatos -hombres aspirando a convertirse en Diáconos para servir en nuestras parroquias.
- Sostener a nuestras escuelas Católicas con campamentos, competencias académicas y desarrollo profesional para los maestros y su personal.
- Proveer espacios acogedores para la oración, compañerismo y formación en todas las instalaciones propiedad de la Arquidiócesis.
- Fortalecer las oficinas y ministerios de nuestra Arquidiócesis que trabajan para evangelizar, unificar e inspirar a los Católicos en todo el occidente y centro de Oklahoma.
- Y mucho más!

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**(Incluya aquí el testimonio personal)**



# GUIÓN DE APELACIÓN EN LOS ASIENTOS

Esto es por lo que yo apoyo la apelación y espero que tú también lo hagas.

Ahora, animarlos a que vean su teléfono es algo que usualmente no hago, pero este fin de semana, me gustaría hacer una excepción. Tú puedes fácilmente y con total seguridad hacer la ofrenda justo ahora, usando el teléfono.

En tu tarjeta de compromiso, podrás ver un Código QR. Simplemente, abre la cámara en tu dispositivo móvil, escanea el Código y presiona el enlace de notificación que te aparece. Esto te llevará directamente a la página web de la Campaña Católica Anual 2026.

Si tienes problemas con el Código QR, tú puedes directamente ir a la página: [www.archokc.org/aca](http://www.archokc.org/aca).

Si prefieres hacer tu donativo con cheque, puedes hacerlo metiéndolo dentro del sobre ubicado en tu asiento y sellándolo completamente.

Antes de invitarlos a todos a apoyar la campana de recaudación 2026, quiero tomar un momento para destacar el camino especial para hacer un impacto duradero -a través de las donaciones mensuales. En años recientes, más y más familias han adoptado esta significativa manera de donación. Los donativos mensuales proveen a la Arquidiócesis con la estabilidad de planear nuevas iniciativas y responder a oportunidades a lo largo del año. Cada donativo, hace una gran diferencia - Yo estoy verdaderamente agradecido por tu acompañamiento en esta misión.

En este momento, pausaremos por unos momentos para que quienes aún no han donado, puedan usar sus teléfonos para acceder al Código QR y hagan su única donación o establezcan sus donaciones mensuales.

Si tú ya has hecho el donativo, muchísimas gracias! Durante estos momentos, incluso pudieras ofrecer una oración para el éxito de.

## **PAUSA POR TRES MINUTOS.**

**(El Pastor llenará una forma de ejemplo en frente de los feligreses)**

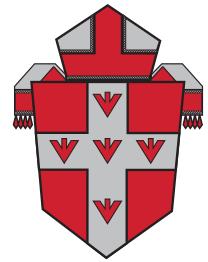
*Para ayudar a pasar el tiempo en esta sección, es posible que desees considerar reproducir una música muy suave mientras las personas completan sus donaciones en línea.*

Después de tres minutos:

Muchas gracias por tomarse el tiempo para llenar la forma en línea o completar la carta de compromiso ubicada en sus asientos y por apoyar la campaña de este año. Con tu apoyo -y el de toda nuestra comunidad Católica- nosotros haremos una profunda diferencia, llevando el amor transformacional de Cristo a cada esquina de nuestra Arquidiócesis.

Estaremos atentos de actualizarte muy pronto sobre el progreso de nuestra campaña. Dios los bendiga.

**HAGA QUE LOS UJIERES REALICEN UNA COLECTA ESPECIAL PARA RECOGER LOS SOBRES DE LOS DONATIVOS A LA CAMPAÑA CATÓLICA ANNUAL.**



# IN-PEW APPEAL SCRIPT – VIETNAMESE

## Commitment Weekend

**February 7–8, 2026**

*(For use by the Pastor/Celebrant at all Masses)*

After giving a brief homily on the readings of the day, follow this plan for guiding parishioners through the process of completing their In-Pew Gift Envelopes.

### **Reading through the script should only take 5 minutes**

Cuối tuần này, Tổng Giáo Phận bắt đầu mời gọi ông bà anh chị em đóng góp cho Chương Trình Annual Catholic Appeal cho năm 2026. Nhờ tấm lòng quảng đại của ông bà anh chị em, Chương Trình ACA có cơ hội giúp cho Tổng Giáo Phận hỗ trợ cho các mục vụ quan trọng ngay tại giáo xứ của quý vị cũng như các giáo xứ khác.

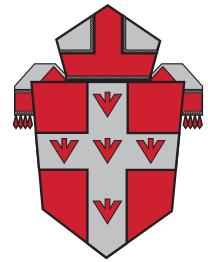
Mục tiêu gây quỹ cho toàn giáo phận năm nay là \$4.6 triệu và mời gọi thêm sự cộng tác của tất cả các giáo dân. Giáo xứ chúng ta sẽ được nhận lại một khoản tài trợ nếu đạt được mục tiêu quy định. Hy vọng năm nay mỗi gia đình trong giáo xứ chúng ta sẽ quảng đại, nhiệt thành trong việc đóng góp để cùng nhau xây dựng nhà Chúa.

Mục tiêu quy định riêng cho giáo xứ chúng ta là <\$2026 Parish Goal>. Với sự cộng tác của ông bà anh chị em, tôi tin chắc rằng chúng ta sẽ không những đạt được mục tiêu đó và còn vượt qua luôn nữa. Sự đồng tâm hiệp nhất của tất cả chúng ta sẽ là một thành công tốt đẹp cho Chương Trình ACA năm nay.

Vài điểm chính để giúp ông bà anh chị em hiểu rõ hơn về mục đích của Chương Trình ACA:

- Đào tạo các linh mục và phó tế tương lai. Hiện nay, giáo phận có 25 chủng sinh chuẩn bị làm linh mục – số chủng sinh đông nhất trong nhiều năm qua, và hơn 30 người đang tu huấn chuẩn bị làm phó tế vĩnh viễn.
- Hỗ trợ các trường học và các hoạt động như cắm/đi trại, cỗ vũ thi đua học tập, và nhằm nâng cao trình độ chuyên môn của giáo viên và nhân viên.
- Mở rộng các cơ sở thuộc giáo phận để thêm chỗ cho nhà nguyện, nơi học giáo lý hay giao lưu.
- Củng cố các việc làm của các văn phòng và mục vụ chuyên về thúc đẩy việc truyền giáo, hiệp thông, và khuyến khích cộng đoàn Dân Chúa trong Tổng Giáo Phận
- Và còn thêm nhiều việc khác nữa

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# IN-PEW APPEAL SCRIPT (CONT.)

**(Insert personal testimonial here)**

Đây là lý do tôi ủng hộ và đóng góp hàng năm và hy vọng ông bà anh chị em cũng sẽ làm như vậy.

Thường là chúng ta không nên dùng phone trong lễ nhưng cuối tuần này sẽ ngoại lệ, ngay bây giờ lấy phone dùng cho dễ hơn và cũng an toàn hơn.

Xin dùng mã QR trên thẻ để vào trang mạng của 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal. Cách quét mã QR rất đơn giản, chỉ cần mở máy hình camera trên điện thoại và hướng vào mã và nhấn vào thông tin hiển thị trên màn hình.

Nếu không dùng được mã QR, xin vui lòng vào trang mạng: [www.archokc.org/aca](http://www.archokc.org/aca).

Ông bà anh chị em cũng có thể viết check, bỏ vào phong bì có để ở mỗi hàng ghế. Xin nhớ dán phong bì lại.

Thay vì những cách trên, ông bà anh chị em cũng có thể đóng góp hàng tháng. Những năm gần đây, nhiều gia đình nhận ra sự quan trọng khi biết cho đi và nhờ sự đóng góp hàng tháng đó mà Tổng Giáo Phận tạo nên nhiều thay đổi tạo nên nhiều thay đổi. Xin chân thành cảm ơn sự đồng hành của ông bà anh chị em.

Xin dừng lại ít phút để những ai muốn dùng phone có thể làm ngay bây giờ.

**PAUSE FOR THREE MINUTES.**

**(Pastor fill out example form in front of parishioners)**

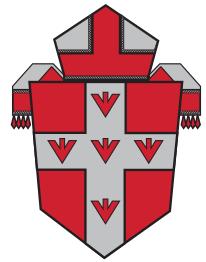
*To help pass the time for this section, you may want to consider playing some soft music while people complete their online donations.*

Sau 3 phút:

Xin chân thành cảm ơn ông bà anh chị em đã điền đơn trên mạng hay để sẵn ở ghế để hỗ trợ cho Chương Trình ACA. Nhờ lòng quảng đại của ông bà anh chị và toàn thể Cộng Đoàn Dân Chúa mà chúng ta tiếp tục tạo ra những thay đổi và đem tình thương của Chúa Kitô đến khắp nẻo đường trong Tổng Giáo Phận.

Xin Thiên Chúa chúc phúc lành cho ông bà anh chị em. Chúng tôi sẽ sớm cập nhật sự tiến triển của chương trình gây quỹ này.

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# SPECIAL INTERCESSIONS



## For a Spirit of Joy and Gratitude:

That we may recognize God's abundant blessings in our lives and respond with hearts full of gratitude and joy by giving generously to the Annual Catholic Appeal, sharing His love with those we serve, let us pray to the Lord.

## For Unity in Christ's Love:

That as one body in Christ, we may strengthen the mission of the Church by supporting the Annual Catholic Appeal, working together to bring Christ's love to our parishes, schools and communities, let us pray to the Lord.

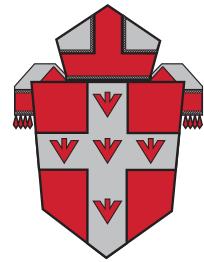
## For Hearts Open to Serve:

That through the Annual Catholic Appeal, we may extend God's mercy and love, bring hope to our community and reflect Christ's compassion in all we do, let us pray to the Lord

## For Generous Hearts to Build God's Kingdom:

That our hearts may be moved to generosity, supporting the ministries of our Church through the Annual Catholic Appeal so that all may experience God's compassion and care and feel the warmth of His presence in their lives, let us pray to the Lord.





# BULLETIN AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## #1 Introduction Weekend

The Annual Catholic Appeal is here! Through the ACA, we join together to support vital ministries across the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City that share Christ's love with thousands of people each year. These ministries provide Catholic education for children, formation for seminarians, marriage preparation and enrichment for couples, and facilities for retreats, conferences, and camps. None of this is possible without your generosity. As Commitment Weekend approaches, please prayerfully discern your support of the ACA.

To learn more or to make your gift today, visit: [www.archokc.org/aca](http://www.archokc.org/aca).



## #2. Commitment Weekend

This weekend, we are invited to join together as one Church through the Annual Catholic Appeal. Every gift, helps sustain ministries that serve our youth, families, and parishes throughout our archdiocese. Your generosity supports Catholic schools, parish ministries, sacramental preparation, marriage and family life programs, and ministries that serve people of every age, background, and walk of life. Imagine the impact if every household took part in the ACA! Please prayerfully make your commitment today, either in-pew or online at [www.archokc.org/aca](http://www.archokc.org/aca).

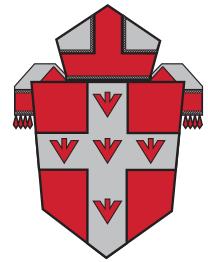


Together, we can reach our parish goal and strengthen the Church for future generations.

## #3. Follow-Up Weekend

Thank you to all who have already given generously to the Annual Catholic Appeal. Your support is a true blessing to ministries of our Church. If you have not yet had the chance to participate, we invite you to prayerfully consider making your gift this weekend. Every thoughtful gift helps bring Christ's presence to our communities through Catholic education, parish support, and the formation of future priests and deacons. Join us today in supporting the ministries of our local Church by making your gift in-pew or online at [www.archokc.org/aca](http://www.archokc.org/aca).

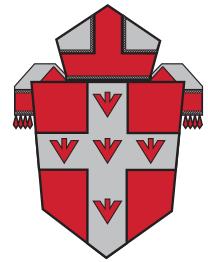




# TIPS FOR SUCCESS

- Be positive!
- **Invite 100% participation, no gift is too small** (tell people that).
- Reflect on approaches taken last year and the results.
- Make sure all dates are on the parish calendar.
- **Lay Witness Talk**
  - Identify someone from your parish who is an avid supporter of the ACA and see if they are willing to share why they give to the ACA.
- **Use your Platforms!**
  - If your parishioners are well connected via, Flocknote, WhatsApp, FB, etc., share the content in the platform that has the most audience.
- **Use Annual Catholic Appeal Videos**
  - Show in church after Mass on Announcement and Commitment weekends.
  - Show in the parish gathering space after Mass ie: during coffee & donuts or other fellowship gatherings.
  - Send out in a parish Flocknote email.
  - Share on Parish social media on Announcement and Commitment weekend.
- **Implement in-pew solicitation process on Commitment Weekend**
- **Educate yourself on online giving**
  - Benefit—receive the gift right away.
- Encourage **monthly gift**
  - Monthly payments allow donors to incorporate ACA giving into their household budgets.
  - Provides steady support to ministries over time.
  - **Donors who choose to give monthly can manage their gift any time online!**
- **Use ACA resources** – continue to check and use the resources on the Parish Resource Page: [www.archokc.org/appealdocuments](http://www.archokc.org/appealdocuments)
  - Hang up posters.
  - Ads in the bulletin
  - Run Digital poster on parish TV's.
  - Place Pledge Envelopes & pens in pews
  - Share Social Media post during the appeal and throughout the year.
- Monitor parish progress.
- Remind parishioners of their **local connection to the ACA**
  - Funds stay in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City and support ministries that impact them, their families, neighbors and fellow Oklahomans.
- **Thank parishioners frequently**
  - Each household that responds to 2026 ACA will receive a thank you letter and receipt from Archbishop Coakley.

**Please thank parishioners in your own words! We all like to be thanked, and we should thank all ACA supporters, multiple times throughout the year.**



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## **Q: How are ACA funds used?**

A: They support ministries such as Catholic schools, evangelization, vocations, marriage and family life, campus ministry, and parish grants. Please refer to the How Your Gifts Support the Mission of the Church on page X for a complete list and distribution of the ministries supported by the ACA.

## **Q: Can I designate my donation?**

A: No, ACA gifts are distributed based on ministry needs across the archdiocese.

## **Q: How does the ACA benefit my parish?**

A: Parishes may receive grants, parish resources, ministry training and other support directly from the archdiocese.

## **Q: How can I give?**

A: Online, checks, cash, stock gifts, DAF, IRA distributions, or by phone.

## **Q: Will I receive a receipt?**

A: Yes, every donor receives an acknowledgment letter from the archbishop immediately following the gift and a tax receipt in January of the following year from the Stewardship and Development office.

# RESOURCES & CONTACTS

Stewardship & Development Office – Archdiocese of Oklahoma City

PO Box 32180, Oklahoma City, OK 73123-0380

Phone: 405-709-2745 | Email: [stewardship@archokc.org](mailto:stewardship@archokc.org)

Parish Resource site: [www.archokc.org/appealdocuments](http://www.archokc.org/appealdocuments)

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