

JUNE 2, 2022

BIWEEKLY LEADERSHIP UPDATE

RESOURCES AND UPDATES FOR THE 2022 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL IN YOUR PARISH

CELEBRATING PARISHES OVER GOAL!

Thank you for your continued efforts in support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal in your parish. **We are excited to announce that we have raised nearly \$3.8 million in support of this year's goal!**

We are also thrilled to celebrate these parishes which have recently surpassed their goals:

- Our Lady of Mount Carmel – Buckeye Lake (174%)
- St. Margaret of Cortona – Columbus (159%)
- St. Edward the Confessor – Granville (148%)
- St. Vincent de Paul – Mount Vernon (133%)
- Holy Trinity (Pond Creek) – West Portsmouth (124%)
- St. Joseph – Circleville (115%)
- Sacred Heart – Columbus (106%)

Congratulations and thank you for your leadership!

So we can include your parish in these updates as we move forward, please be sure to submit your reports as promptly as possible. Thank you again for your partnership!



DIOCESE-WIDE FOLLOW-UP LETTER

In an effort to continue engaging every household in our Diocese, all families who have not yet given to the Appeal will receive an additional solicitation letter in mid-July. **Please ensure you are submitting new pledges and any changes to your census information in a timely manner.** This helps us avoid sending letters to families who have already given or who are no longer in your parish. Thank you for your cooperation!

REQUEST FOR CENSUS UPDATES

The Diocese relies on parish staff to send periodic updates to your parish's census. This helps us be better stewards of your community and information. This also helps us ensure we are using the most accurate listings for mailings, acknowledgements, and other communications. **Please take some time to notify the Diocese of any changes** to your registered households, including new registrations, departures, deaths, and other updates.

If you have questions or require any assistance, please contact Jeanna Diederich, Census Manager, at jdiederich@columbuscatholic.org.

[WANT TO CHECK YOUR PARISH'S PROGRESS? CLICK HERE](#)

WHAT WILL OUR GIFTS DO?

Your stewardship of time, talent, and financial treasure to the BAA truly makes a difference across our Church in central Ohio. The BAA supports many ministries throughout our community and in our parishes. Your gifts and leadership to the BAA help provide for:



Evangelization: outreach and formation of our young people in college and at the parish level; ministering to individuals' and communities spiritual needs, through marriage preparation and support, hospital chaplaincy, and ethnic ministries



Priest, Deacon, and Seminarian Education: supporting the financial cost of preparation for the priesthood and diaconate



Catholic Student and School Assistance: providing financial aid to families seeking Catholic education for their children; formation and professional development for our faculty and staff



Parish Life Enhancements: supporting parishes when facing urgent physical needs to their churches and facilities



Social Concerns: helping each other walk the Christian life of charity and justice through direct outreach, advocacy, and education

THIS WEEK

- ☐ **Submit** parish report and pledges to the Diocese; double check pledge envelopes for credit card information and initial payment date
- ☐ **Review** the Miscellaneous Gift Report
- ☐ **Prepare** a fourth bulletin and pulpit announcement (*see page 25 of the [Leadership Instruction Manual](#) and update as needed*).
- ☐ If you have not done so already, **include** the pastor's follow-up letter in all-parish emails (such as through Flocknote, etc.)
- ☐ **Continue** follow-up calls and emails
- ☐ **Submit** census updates (contact Jeanna Diederich at jdiederich@columbuscatholic.org with any questions)

*Have questions? Need help?
Please contact us – our team is here for you!*

REPORTING REMINDERS

We recognize that some parishioners may include loose cash in their pledge envelope. Please deposit any cash together with checks and include the total on Line 12 of Parish Report Form 10. **Please do not send cash through the mail.** For further instructions, please review the [Parish Reporter Manual](#) or contact us at (614) 774-1772.



2022 BAA PRAYER

Loving Father,

We turn to You in this season of transition in the Diocese of Columbus. With hearts filled with gratitude, we rejoice in Your blessings and guidance over the years.

With hearts filled with hope, we joyfully anticipate Your marvels for our future.

Through the Great Commission, Jesus Christ, Your Son, has called us to cooperate in His plan of salvation through the work of evangelization, disciple formation, charity, and mercy through diverse charisms and vocations.

Responding in generosity, may we all unite together as a local church in financial support of our common mission through this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal.

We ask this in the Name of Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Courtesy of Fr. Adam Streitenberger



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