

WE ARE ONE BODY IN CHRIST

2024 Annual Catholic Appeal

DIOCESE of MADISON



“...UNITED IN
BOTH FAITH
AND MISSION.”



BISHOP'S REFLECTION



I am always amazed how Jesus uses our parishes and diocese, as part of His Mystical Body, to bring people closer to Himself and to serve those in need. This is especially experienced when we participate in the Eucharist—the source and summit of our unity in Him and the flowing source of the graces we need to embrace the challenges we face.

With this in mind, the theme for our 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) is **“We Are One Body in Christ.”** Taken from Romans 12:5, this simple phrase expresses our solidarity with Christ and with one another, united in both faith and mission.

The ACA provides the resources needed to fund the many programs, ministries, and services that the Diocese of Madison sponsors to proclaim the saving Gospel of Christ and to bring the light of His love and truth to the lost and forgotten, the hurting and needy, indeed to all of us.

Your generous gift to this year's campaign supports this important work, flourishing throughout southwest Wisconsin and beyond.

Grateful for your generosity and prayers, I am,

Most Rev. Donald J. Hying | Bishop of Madison

MEET FRED AND DEBBIE SCHWARTZ

2024 ACA CHAIR COUPLE

We grew up in Madison and met at the University of Wisconsin - Madison. We have been happily married for 47 years and have three children and nine grandchildren. We attend Christ the King Church in McFarland. Our faith is essential in our everyday lives and we continue to find new ways to grow and enhance it almost every day.

As we reflect on the theme for the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) for 2024, **“We Are One Body in Christ”**, and with so many differing messages in our lives these days, we recognize that people, especially young people, lose focus on what is important. We all need to guide the youth and each other in what we believe, to remember who we are as children of God, and to think about how we should support each other.

With the opportunity to form new parishes, we believe we are also uniting in our faith and sharing each others' gifts.

We must remember that we are one Universal Church, united by Jesus Christ. It is not about individual parishes, but about a community of believers in the Catholic faith.

We feel the ACA is a great opportunity for all of us to come together in support of our beliefs and to give back to those ministries that help others and teach the faith. We invite you to join us in support of this year's ACA both monetarily and spiritually.



GOAL \$4.2 MILLION

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ONE FAITH

\$1,340,000

- Continuing Education for Clergy
- Vocations Recruitment
- Worship and Liturgy
- Parish Support
- Ministry Assistance
- Diocesan Offices and Building
- ACA Administrative Costs

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

Worship and Liturgy:

The first diocesan Eucharistic Congress, held this past September, celebrated our Catholic faith by focusing on the Eucharist with over 1,200 in attendance. The Eucharist, which is God's greatest gift to us, was discussed, proclaimed, adored, and consumed over the 3-day congress. Your ACA

support helped make this beautiful representation of our faith possible.



ONE FUTURE

\$1,180,000

- Camp Gray
- Programs and Services to Catholic Schools
- Teacher Training and Mentoring
- Youth Ministries
- College Ministries

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

College Ministries:

The Diocese of Madison is blessed with two college Newman Centers: St. Paul's on the UW-Madison Campus and St. Augustine on the UW-Platteville Campus. Both of these ministries bring Jesus Christ to students while they are away from home and attending college. These two ministries have helped many young adults discern vocations to the priesthood and religious life.



ONE MISSION

\$400,000

- Evangelization and Religious Formation
- Go Make Disciples
- Prison Ministry

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

Prison Ministry:

This ministry is an opportunity to bring Jesus Christ to those incarcerated, to help them to learn more about the Catholic faith and invite them to live a life filled with the love of Christ. Those who come to this ministry are fervent in their search for something better, the Truth. As Catholics, united as one in the Spiritual Works of Mercy, we should never ignore the pleas of the lost.



ONE LOVE

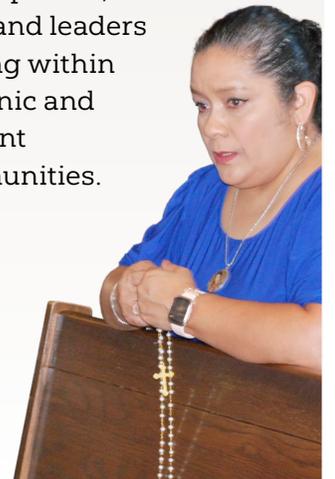
\$1,280,000

- Catholic Charities
- Catholic Multicultural Center
- Hispanic and Migrant Ministry
- Catholic Cemeteries
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Marriage and Family Ministries
- Divorce Ministry

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

Hispanic and Migrant Ministry:

Building community among our Hispanic brothers and sisters and creating unity with them by serving as a bridge between the diocese and the parishes are the primary goals of this ministry. It also provides resources and support to other chancery offices, parish priests, staff, and leaders serving within Hispanic and migrant communities.



CREATE YOUR LEGACY

Remember the Diocese of Madison when creating your estate plan or establishing your will. Planned Gifts are another effective way to assist the ongoing works of the Diocese of Madison. If you are interested in learning more about how planned gifts could benefit you, your family, your parish, or the diocese, please contact Jill McNally at 608-821-3039 or Jill.McNally@madisondiocese.org. A special thanks to all of those who have remembered the Diocese of Madison in their wills, trusts, or gift annuities. Your gifts will serve generations of Catholics to come.

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