

2012 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL



One Faith,
One Hope,
Many Gifts

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The Diocese of Rockville Centre provides a diverse array of support, training, and services for its parishes, schools, and other agencies. In addition, over 40 ministries serve thousands of Long Islanders each year. All funds raised by the Catholic Ministries Appeal go to support the Appeal and these critical services and ministries. This support comes from the generosity and stewardship commitment of parishioners like you.



By nourishing these ministries, our community of faith reaches far beyond the boundaries of any one Parish and allows us to share our ***one faith, one hope and many gifts*** with others in our community.

"The Catholic Ministries Appeal has been so instrumental in my life, especially in my formation years at the Seminary. I think the greatest thing the Church can do for men looking to join the priesthood is to make sure they are well-educated and well-trained in the faith and to have a solid sense of what ministry means. The CMA makes all of this possible."

-Father Lee Descoteaux
Ss. Cyril & Methodius, Deer Park

"I witness how the Catholic Ministries Appeal serves our Parish community as I watch people in great need come to us for help with some of life's basic necessities, and how, because of our Parish Outreach and Catholic Charities, we are given the opportunity to reach out and serve them."

-Deacon Tom Anderson
St. Frances de Chantal, Wantagh



Belong More Deeply

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Please allow me to begin this letter by thanking you for your continued support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal. It is always a blessing to witness the joy of your generosity. So many lives are touched by your prayers and gifts to the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Gifts to the Catholic Ministries Appeal support an astounding array of important Diocesan ministries and programs including: religious education, vocations, new evangelization, formation of our young people and adults, education of our children, care for the elderly and outreach to the poor and vulnerable, as well as support for our Parishes.

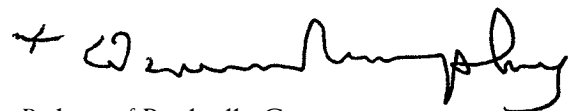
As you read the stories in this brochure, you will hear from people who have experienced the love of God because your generosity gave us the ability to serve them.

I am asking all Catholics in our Diocese to once again help if you can. Allow the 2012 Catholic Ministries Appeal to be an opportunity for all of us to join together to *belong more deeply* to the Lord, the Church and to one another.

Thank you for considering this request and please pray for the continued success of our efforts to serve the people of God.

With my prayers and gratitude, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Bishop of Rockville Centre



Living and Sharing our Faith

To engage and transform the whole person

Through our 133 Parishes

- Mass is said in 9 languages
- Baptisms: 16,318
- First Eucharist: 17,123
- Confirmations: 16,296
- Marriages: 4,773
- Funerals: 11,644
- Children and Youth in Faith Formation: 113,000
- Volunteer Catechists: 12,000
- Couples in Marriage Preparation: 3,400
- Parents in Baptism Preparation: 16,000

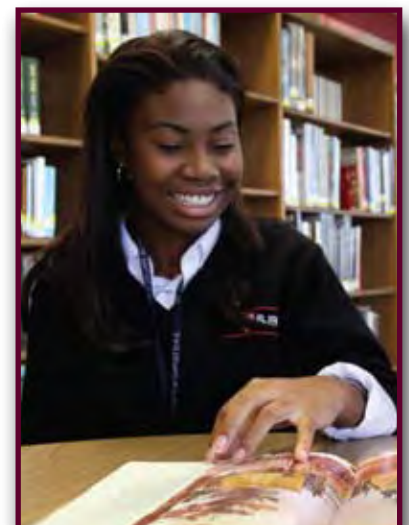


Our Priests, Deacons and Religious

- Diocesan Priests (active, retired and incardinated): 503
- Permanent Deacons: 273

Education/Formation

- Diocesan elementary schools educate: 17,033
- Diocesan high schools educate: 3,520
- Master of Arts/Theology or Pastoral Studies: 100
- Pastoral Formation Institute: 180
- Leadership Training: 60



Vocations

- Diocesan Seminary: 1*
- Seminarians: 29 (from the Diocese of RVC and Brooklyn)
- Diaconate Candidates: 41

*The Diocese of Rockville Centre, Diocese of Brooklyn and the Archdiocese of New York have entered into a joint operating agreement to create a unified system of programs of formation for seminarians, priests, deacons and the laity that will be implemented through the cooperative efforts of St. Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers, the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington and the Cathedral Residence of The Immaculate Conception in Douglaston.

Numbers reported represent people served (unless otherwise noted) for 2010.

Living and Sharing our Faith

The Catholic Ministries Appeal provides opportunities for us to *belong more deeply* when it helps us *Live and Share our Faith* by inspiring us to recognize the power and effect of Jesus and His Church on our lives and the lives of others.

The Appeal provides resources to support vocations and formation, and education programs which enable our parishes and ministries to be vibrant with dedicated lay leaders, and elementary, high school and religious education teachers.

Directors of Religious Education (DRE's) have the important task of recruiting and training volunteers to be Catechists.

Funds from the Catholic Ministries Appeal support their work to form more than 12,000 volunteer Catechists who, each year, help more than 110,000 of our young people in public schools grow in their faith.

"My first job is to find adults who want to share their faith with others and train them to be Catechists in our Diocese."

In addition to recruiting and training volunteers, DRE's ensure that religious education classes run smoothly in each Parish, and they select books and materials for young people preparing for the Sacraments.

"I do believe that children's lives are changed as their love of God and their trust in God deepens. I'd like every adult and child to know that Jesus is there for them through the power of the Holy Spirit. They are never alone and everything can be handled with God's love and the community of God's love which is the Church."



Lorraine Czarniak,
Director of Faith Formation
St. Mary, Manbasset



Caring For God's People

To provide services and care to those in need

- Parish Outreach programs: 19,000 persons monthly
- Hospital Ministry: 345,000
- Prison Ministry: 3,000
- Respect Life: 6,102 in 9 programs
- Dominican Republic Mission: 45,000



Catholic Charities

- Chemical Dependence Services - Day Treatment and Outpatient Clinics: 2,270
- HIV/AIDS services: 43
- Housing – senior, physical disability and pastoral care: 4,227
- Immigrant/Refugee Resettlement: 14,364
- Mental Health Outpatient Services: 2,185
- Mental Health Residential Services: 118
- Office for Persons with Disabilities: 192
- Parish Social Ministry: 5,836
- Regina Maternity Services: 96
- Senior Services: 4,019
- Special Dental Services: 918

Meals delivered or served (Catholic Charities):

503,856, including:

- Meals on Wheels: 199,342
- Commodity Supplemental Food Program: 119,229
- Senior Community Service Centers and Congregate Meal Sites: 176,489 (meals and services)
- Nutrition Outreach Education Project: 8,796



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Caring For God's People

The Catholic Ministries Appeal helps us to *belong more deeply as we Care for God's People* and help those in need.

Through our Parish Outreach programs we serve more than 100,000 people in need each year by providing food, clothing, emergency fund support, and advocacy services.

Susan, a Registered Nurse, became disabled and unable to work. Shortly after, her husband of many years left and she became the sole supporter of their children. Susan felt hopeless and didn't know where to turn. Praying for guidance at Mass one Sunday, Susan saw a story about the outreach program at St. Louis de Montfort in Sound Beach in the



Parish bulletin. The outreach program was an answer to her prayers.

"They have helped my children and me in so many ways, never judging — being there like a family would be. Without this program we wouldn't have survived — they even helped to pay for Religious Education — so that my children could know what God is all about. God is about Love and they need to know that God is there for them and that people besides their family love them too."



Through Catholic Charities' Meals-On-Wheels program more than 200,000 meals are served to homebound seniors across Long Island each year.

Mrs. Dubois, who turns 101 this year, depends on Catholic Charities to provide her with hot nutritious meals, as well as an opportunity to interact with Ken, one of Catholic Charities' Meals-On-Wheels drivers.

Mrs. Dubois shared, *"The meals are well-planned and nutritious and the company is wonderful. I thank everyone for their faithfulness and support."*



Building God's Kingdom

Though Many, We Are One

- Campus Ministry: 50,000
- Youth Ministry: 10,000
- Young Adult Ministry: 15,000
- Renewal Services: 200 programs



- Catholics of African Ancestry: 10,000
- Haitian Ministry: 5,000
- Hispanic Ministry: 400,000



Building God's Kingdom

The Catholic Ministries Appeal enables us to *belong more deeply* as we join together to help *Build the Kingdom of God* by supporting our efforts to bring the word of God to our neighbors, to our young people, and to those who are new to our community

Youth Ministry programs at our Parishes empower young people to live as disciples of Jesus Christ through their involvement in service, ministry, and leadership opportunities.

More than one hundred 9th – 12th graders participate in the Youth Group at Saints Philip & James Parish in St. James. The Youth Group engages in Service Projects, Retreat Weekends and activities that help the Parish. They also meet every Wednesday night to talk about the Gospel and share their life experiences with one another.



Christina has gone to school at Saints Philip & James since she was in pre-school. She joined the Youth Group in 9th grade and today, four years later, is a Group Leader.

"I get so much out of Youth Group. Since I have been coming to the group my faith is so much stronger than it has ever been. I realize now that my faith has an impact on every aspect of my life."

More than 10,000 young people participate in Youth Ministry programs across Long Island.

"The young people in our group live out their faith in their schools, community and with friends and family – sharing the good news with others. They are the young church right now."

**-Frank Brancaccio, Director of Youth Ministry
Saints Philip & James, St. James**

Ways to Give

All funds raised are used to support the Appeal and its ministries.

Gifts of Cash — Checks should be made payable to the "Catholic Ministries Appeal." Please mail your gift card in the envelope provided.

Pledge Your Gift Over Ten Months — A gift to the Catholic Ministries Appeal may be fulfilled over a ten month period. If possible, please include your first month's payment when you mail your gift card/envelope.

Credit Card — Take full advantage of the benefits offered by your card, such as bonus/reward points and airline miles. Simply provide your credit card information on your gift card/envelope. We accept Amex, Discover, MasterCard and Visa.

Go Green – Give Online — The Catholic Ministries Appeal offers you the opportunity to make your gift online by using a credit card. Please go to www.CatholicMinistriesAppeal.org to make your contribution.

Matching Gifts — Increase your donation without any cost to you. Visit our new and easy to use Matching Gift website at www.matchinggifts.com/drvc to see if your employer will match the charitable contributions of employees.

Gift of Securities — A gift of appreciated securities is one way to make a significant contribution at a reduced cost to you. Federal tax laws allow a charitable deduction for the full market value of securities on the date of your gift. For more information on how to make a gift of this nature, please call the CMA office at 516-379-5210 ext. 2.

The Catholic Ministries Appeal offers us a way to share the blessings God has given us and in a way that touches the lives of so many in our community and makes a lasting difference to the Church we love.

council of stewards

Council of Stewards

The Council of Stewards is an honorary society of concerned men and women that was established in 1986. The Council provides encouragement and advice to our Bishop through the submission of suggestions by direct correspondence or if inclined, by serving on an advisory committee. The Council also assists the Diocese in providing charitable, educational and pastoral care to the people of Long Island through sacrificial support at a minimum level of \$5,000.

Leadership Patrons

Our Leadership Patrons, through their generosity, have ensured that the Catholic Church on Long Island will be vibrant and thrive for generations to come. They do this with a sacrificial gift at a minimum of \$750.

GIFT PLANS		
COUNCIL OF STEWARDS		
	Total Gift	Ten Monthly Payments of:
Founder*	\$50,000 and above	\$5,000 and above
Herald Angel*	\$25,000 – \$49,999	\$2,500 – \$4,999.90
Guardian*	\$10,000 – \$24,999	\$1,000 – \$2,499.90
Steward*	\$5,000 – \$9,999	\$500 – \$999.90
LEADERSHIP PATRONS		
Advocate	\$2,500 – \$4,999	\$250 – \$499.90
Witness	\$1,500 – \$2,499	\$150 – \$249.90
Evangelizer	\$750 – \$1,499	\$75 – \$149.90

* Signifies Council of Stewards membership



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