



2021 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

DIOCESE OF
ROCKVILLE CENTRE

One Family in Mission
Creating Pathways to Faith

“...I am a mission always; you are a mission, always: every baptized man and woman is a mission.”



Pope Francis calls each of us to be instruments of Jesus' love and compassion to those in need. Journeying together with Long Island's faithful, we have the opportunity to act on this call through our support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA).

When we support the CMA, we are working together to create pathways of love and compassion by providing programs that serve disadvantaged families, our senior citizens, those struggling with substance abuse and those in need of housing.

Additionally, the Catholic Ministries Appeal helps lay paths of evangelization through the formation of our priests, deacons and lay leaders. It assists in training our religious education catechists and adult faith formation leaders who educate our youth and parish families, and programs that promote the sanctity of life at all stages. Working together, we are all enriching the lives of all Long Island.

Dear Friends:

Thank you for your sustained support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA) and our parish communities here on Long Island.

Every year when we support the CMA, we create pathways to faith for our diocesan family. The Appeal invigorates our journey of *dramatic missionary growth* in our Diocese and unites us as **One Family in Mission** as we fulfill our baptismal call to evangelize and show mercy to our brothers and sisters in need. As Pope Francis has said, "Go and show love to everyone, because your life is a precious mission."

As you prayerfully consider a gift to this year's CMA, please take a moment to reflect on the many ways our families and neighbors find their path to Christ because of your support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

With my prayers and best wishes to you and your family.

Sincerely in Christ,

+ John O. Barres

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre



PATHWAYS TO EVANGELIZING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE



As long as she can remember, Ali and her five siblings attended church every day with their Mom.

“Mom taught me prayers when I was three – and helped me to learn more and more about my Faith every day. I find so much joy and peace in Christ,” shared Ali.

Today, as a participant in Catholic campus ministry at Stony Brook University, Ali reaches out to students and cheerfully evangelizes with authentic friendship, showing others that you can still have fun and love Jesus.

“I’ve been working with Ali for a few years now. She is part of our John Paul II initiative which is a group of college age and young adults around the Diocese who have a heart for evangelization. She has so much joy – a joy that is infectious and makes people approach her to see how she got that way.”

Nolan Reynolds, Diocesan Director of Youth Ministry

Nolan Reynolds' journey has given him the tools necessary to evangelize our young people.

Thanks to a vibrant youth ministry at his home parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Help and the influence of some dynamic and compassionate priests and youth ministers, it was during high school that Nolan encountered Christ and fell in love with his Catholic faith. After high school, he earned a B.S. in Elementary Education from SUNY New Paltz and went on to earn a Master's degree in Theology from the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception. Nolan has worked in youth ministry for the past 16 years in both a parish youth ministry and high school campus ministry setting. He also has experience teaching high school religion.

Today he serves the young people of our Diocese as the Director of Youth Ministry.

"I hope to bring to young people the understanding that our deepest desires are only satisfied by Christ."



PATHWAYS TO BRINGING THE FACE OF JESUS TO OTHERS



Catholic Charities and Parish Outreach staff have continued, even in the most difficult times, to bring care, love and the face of Jesus to those in need.

Local parishes and their volunteers are the lifeblood of parish social ministry on Long Island. Most of the Diocese of Rockville Centre's 133 parishes provide services in some form to its community. Across Long Island, the combined parish ministries serve as many as 75,000 people in need each year. Catholic Charities provides support and resources to local parish social ministry efforts on Long Island through a number of programs.

"We support our parishes through training, prayer opportunities and as a guide to resources when a parish may have a difficult case. We also have a manned help line to assist those who call, with information about available assistance and services," shared Paula Malloy, Director of PSM, Catholic Charities of Long Island.

"I have known Paula Malloy from Catholic Charities for many years and she was a great help to me when I started my position at St. Catherine of Sienna in Franklin Square," shared Maureen Miedreich, Social Outreach Coordinator.

Parish Social Ministry Outreach at Saint Catherine of Sienna Church encompasses a variety of ways in reaching out to those in need, the marginalized and so many others through different programs and services available throughout the year. In addition, this ministry provides information and guidance on issues of social justice guided by Catholic Teachings.

"What the Lord calls us to – is to reach out and help one another. It's something I learned as a child – it's something I taught my children and now my grandchildren."



OPENING PATHWAYS FOR OTHERS TO FOLLOW THEIR CALL TO SERVE



Dr. Lisa Honkanen, the Director of our Office of Human Life, Family and Bioethics has, throughout her entire career, been dedicated to protecting the sanctity of life at all stages.

“The Office of Human Life, Family and Bioethics is easiest to sum up in the words of John Paul II, ‘we are here to build a civilization of love and life,’ – by that I mean we want to help the people of the Diocese to understand the dignity and inviolability of all human life in all of its stages.”

A lifelong Catholic and a physician of Geriatric Medicine, Dr. Honkanen’s deep Catholic faith is unmistakably center and foremost in her work. She has upheld the dignity of all human life throughout her entire career.

“Understanding the dignity of every human life and how it has been created by God – giving glory to Him in all our work – sharing that faith in our words and our actions. Giving witness every day – so we can inspire others to do the same.”

Father Sean Magaldi began his journey to the priesthood after he graduated from college and became a campus minister at Adelphi. It was there that he knew he was called to ministry. That calling continued in his junior year at Chaminade where he was inspired by the dedicated Brothers there.

Today Fr. Magaldi serves as the Vocations Director at the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

“Looking at the different journeys that I have embarked on, the Catholic Ministries Appeal has been involved in all of them. The CMA funds Campus Ministry and my path was a result of that program. After entering the seminary, being ordained and today working as the Vocations Director, is all due to the generosity of the people who support the Catholic Ministries Appeal.”



WAYS TO GIVE

Gifts of Cash – Checks should be made payable to the Catholic Ministries Appeal, and you can pledge your gift over ten months.

Credit Card – We accept American Express, Discover, Mastercard and Visa. Simply provide your credit card information on your pledge card/envelope or give online at www.drvc.org/CMA.

Matching Gifts – Go to www.matchinggifts.com/drvc to see if your employer will match the charitable contributions of employees.

IRA Charitable Rollover – If you are at least 70½ years old on the date you make your gift and your IRA is a traditional or Roth, you can transfer up to \$100,000 per year from your IRA to charity – without incurring income taxes today or estate tax in the future.

Gift of Securities – Federal tax laws allow a charitable deduction for the full market value of securities on the date of your gift.

Donor Advised Funds – You can recommend a gift to the CMA through your Donor Advised Fund (DAF).

For more information on any of the **Ways to Give**, please call the CMA office at 516-678-5800 ext. 296.

100% of every dollar raised is restricted to serve the objectives, programs, and mission supported by the Catholic Ministries Appeal.*

*The Catholic Ministries Appeal is conducted on a calendar-year basis. Amounts received under the Appeal are time-restricted for the next fiscal year.

GIFT PLANS

Council of Stewards

Established in 1986, the Council of Stewards is an honorary society that 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 ministries that make the Catholic Faith Community vibrant on Long Island will thrive for generations to come. They do this with a sacrificial gift at a minimum of \$750.

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

2021 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL PRAYER

Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we ask that you sanctify us as we embark on this year's Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Thank you, Lord, for unifying us as One Family in Mission. Help us to create pathways to faith so that we can evangelize and provide care and love to one another.

Holy Spirit dwell in us and enable us to joyfully journey together so that we can grow stronger in our faith and lead others to you.

Allow us to continue our call to *dramatic missionary growth* by cheerfully sharing our gifts freely and generously as He does.

Steer us as we put those gifts to good use according to Your will.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.



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