

# Our Catholic Appeal Prayer

O God, \_\_\_\_\_

Breath of our being!

You name us  
the beauty  
of Your perfection,  
Blessed.

You gift us  
the Bread from Heaven  
to refresh our soul  
for this holy pilgrimage.

Hear our Yes resound  
through all ages.  
May Your wisdom  
guide us to keep Your word.

Open our eyes to see  
the wonders of Your covenant.  
Grant our spirit firm  
within Your generous mercy.

Receive our heart  
as we pour out Your love until the end.  
We pray all will know You  
by our abundant care for one another.

O God,  
Breath of our being!  
You name us Blessed  
and so we are.

Amen. \_\_\_\_\_



## Our Giving Societies Honor Our Generous and Faithful Catholic Leaders

**Corpus Christi Society**  
“Body of Christ”  
\$10,000 + annual gift

**Spes Christi Society**  
“Hope of Christ”  
\$5,000 to \$9,999 annual gift

**Lumen Christi Society**  
“Light of Christ”  
\$2,500 to \$4,999 annual gift

**Fidelis Society**  
“The Faithful”  
Any size gift for 5 consecutive years

## 2026 APPEAL GOAL \$18,200,000



*Not everyone can give the same size gift,  
but everyone can make the same size sacrifice.*

All contributions, from the smallest to the largest, are gratefully appreciated.

### Ways to give

- Online giving at [OurCatholicAppeal.org](https://OurCatholicAppeal.org)
- Pledges and one-time gifts via credit/debit card, cash, or check (made payable to Our Catholic Appeal)
- Gifts of stock, mutual funds, or Donor Advised Fund\*
- Qualified Charitable Distribution from an IRA or other retirement account (payable to Diocese of Orlando)\*

\* **These gifts should be mailed to:** P.O. Box 1800, Orlando, FL 32802  
Attn: Discipleship and Stewardship Office

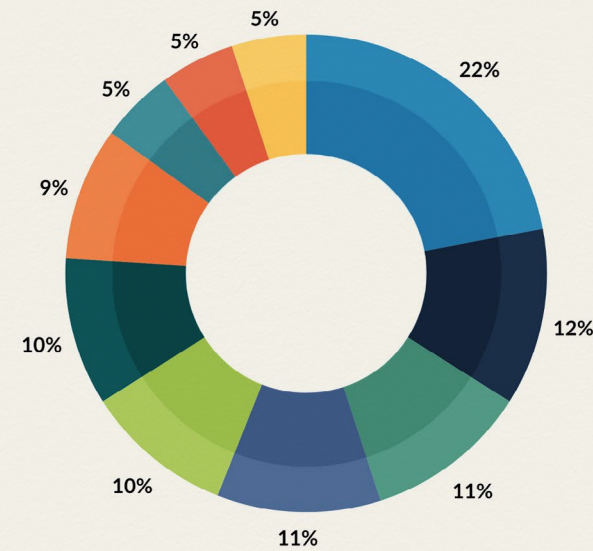
For more information, or if you have any questions, please call: (407) 246-4947

Pledge Payments may be made over a period of 10 months. Payment reminders will be mailed to you in accordance with the number of months you choose.

**OURCATHOLICAPPEAL.ORG**

## 2026 Campaign Allocations

*Your gift supports every parish, ministry, and school in the Diocese of Orlando.*



- **Leadership & Parish Life | 22%**  
Vocations & Seminarian Education, Clergy Formation, Permanent Diaconate, Bishop's Office, Liturgy, Liturgical Music, Consecrated Life, Tribunal, Ministry to Senior Priests, Ministry to International Priests, Tourism Ministry, Victim Assistance, Safe Environment Certification
- **Human Dignity & Solidarity | 12%**  
Catholic Charities of Central Florida, Culture of Life, Magnify of Central Florida
- **Financial Services | 10%**  
Finance, Information Systems & Technology, Shared Accounting Services, Risk Management
- **Discipleship & Stewardship | 11%**  
Parish, School & Diocesan Development and Advancement Services
- **Ecclesiastical Property | 11%**  
Cemeteries, Design & Construction, Facilities Management, Real Estate, Security, Printing & Distribution
- **Outreach | 10%**  
San Pedro Spiritual Development Center, Mission Office/Sister Diocese San Juan de la Maguana, Mission Integration, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops
- **Laity, Family & Life | 9%**  
Children's Ministry, Family Ministry, Catholic Campus Ministry, Multicultural Ministry, Youth Ministry, Adult Ministry
- **Education | 5%**  
Catholic Schools
- **Communications | 5%**  
Archivist, Florida Catholic Media, Livestream, Podcast, Social Media, Website
- **Human Resources | 5%**



# Blessed are they who seek Him with all their heart.





Beloved Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

I pray with gratitude for you, knowing of your faithfulness. We have just celebrated the seasons of Advent and Christmas and soon, we begin the season of Lent. After the Advent and Christmas seasons, we are even more prepared for this journey; we are joyful and diligent about our holy living imbued by the breath of God. Now as we near the end of the ‘in-between’ space of our liturgical seasons and our daily living, we do not pause on God. This is not a ‘time out;’ we are always in motion to continue the path of God, the way of the Lord, our pilgrimage to Heaven!

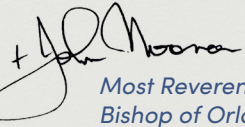
Our psalmist proclaims that those who seek God with all their heart are blessed. We are blessed because we are created by God for God – we are gifted to serve God in all that we do. It is not a plural ‘hearts,’ but one heart— it is the heart that makes us one as His children. It is the heart given to us through the Eucharist that we bring Jesus to each person. Within the depth of our soul, we seek to follow God with all our heart.

Our Catholic Appeal offers a visible occasion to present the heart of God to His people. The ministries supported by Our Catholic Appeal keep us steady on our pebbled path, that we might ignore the distractions blinding us to God. These ministries infuse us with the fire of the Holy Spirit to be God’s light where His light is unknown or hidden from view. Our leaders, both employed and volunteer, are trained to form all God’s people to receive the Sacraments. They guide our young men and women to seek the immense wisdom of the Lord as they discern a vocation to marriage, the priesthood, permanent diaconate, or religious life so that all they encounter will come to know, love, and serve God.

Care is given to create sacred space through the vigilance of safe environment ministries. Sustenance for those who are hungry, shelter for those without homes, consolation to those who yearn for hope are offered by those who serve in these ministries. Our lay educators and catechists, and clergy and religious receive spiritual refreshment that the wonder of God’s law is known throughout the earth.

Beloved, God names you Blessed and so you are. Through your generous offering, the ministries supported by Our Catholic Appeal bless the earth and all within it with His matchless love.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

  
Most Reverend John Noonan  
Bishop of Orlando



Your Gift Makes a Difference

\* 2024-2025 Statistics

Outstanding Catholic Education

12,725

Catholic School students

29,113

Total students under Catholic instruction

5,942

Adults studying to become Catholic (OCIA)

Corporal Works of Mercy

186,408

People helped with food assistance

4,392

No-cost medical appointments through Catholic Charities

Sacramental Preparation

4,478

Children Baptized

4,685

Students Confirmed

957

Couples Married

Supporting Clergy and Religious

182

Priests

47

Religious Sisters

148

Deacons

20

Seminarians

Your Gift Also Supports

Fiscal management & upkeep of parishes/schools

Administrative services & insurance benefits for diocesan employees

Construction projects across the diocese



Oración Para Nuestro Llamado Católico

Oh, Dios,

¡Aliento de nuestro ser!

Nos llamas benditos, la belleza de Tu perfección.

Nos das el Pan del Cielo para refrescar nuestra alma en esta santa peregrinación.

Escucha nuestro Sí resonar por los siglos. Que Tu sabiduría nos guíe a cumplir Tu Palabra.

Abre nuestros ojos para ver las maravillas de Tu alianza. Concede a nuestro espíritu firme en Tu generosa misericordia.

Recibe nuestro corazón mientras derramamos Tu amor hasta el final. Oramos para que todos te conozcan por nuestro abundante cuidado mutuo.

Oh, Dios, ¡Aliento de nuestro ser! Nos llamas benditos y así somos.

Amén.