



2020
DIOCESAN
SERVICES
APPEAL



**“HAPPY THE ONE WHO
TRUSTS IN THE LORD!”**

PROVERBS 16:20

EACH YEAR, THE DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL (DSA) UNITES ALL 74 PARISHES OF OUR DIOCESE, DRAWING US TOGETHER TO ACHIEVE FAR MORE THAN ANY INDIVIDUAL OR ANY SINGLE PARISH COULD ACCOMPLISH ALONE.

“Happy the one who trusts in the Lord.” This scripture text from the Book of Proverbs affirms a fundamental teaching of the Catholic Church – only in God will we find the truth and happiness that we seek, the happiness that we were made for.

Our Diocesan Services Appeal is an opportunity to participate personally in the service and care provided through the many good works of the Catholic Church. DSA contributions are put to work, right away, in a multitude of ministries and spiritual activities to offer direct assistance to individuals and families, to our parishes and schools.

Day after day, year after year – with your help – we are here. The Catholic Church – through our parishes, our Catholic Charities agencies, our Catholic Schools, the St. Francis Retreat Center, and dozens of other services and ministries – provides vital care and services to almost 200,000 Catholics across the diocese.

These many good works unify our mission to Go and Announce the Gospel of the Lord. DSA helps us all to move along the path of discipleship together.

DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

2020 GOAL - \$5,200,000

Lord, give us the grace to be generous in our support of the Diocesan Services Appeal, so that we may faithfully participate as missionary disciples in the work of Your Holy Church.

CONVENIENT WAYS TO GIVE

- One time cash gift
- Credit card gift
- Donor Advised Fund distribution
- Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)
- Pledge with monthly payments
- Stock donation
- Qualified charitable distribution from IRA

MAKE A DONATION ONLINE AT: WWW.DIOCESEOFFLANSING.ORG/DSA



For assistance, please contact: **The Catholic Foundation - 517.253.8792**
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GOOD WORKS OF THE DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

- Adoption and Foster Care Services
- Campus Ministry
- Care for our Priests – Active and Retired
- Catholic Charities Works of Mercy
- Catechesis and Catechist Formation
- Catholic Schools
- Communications
- Diaconate Formation and Support
- Diocesan Assemblies
- Evangelization
- Faith-Based Counseling
- FAITH Magazine
- Financial Services and Audits
- Hispanic Ministries
- Hospital Ministry
- Lay Ecclesial Ministry and Formation
- Marriage and Family Programs
- Marriage Tribunal Services
- Natural Family Planning
- Pregnancy Counseling and Services
- Professional Services for Parishes
- Religious Education
- Restorative Justice/Jail Ministry
- Retreats and Conferences
- Sacramental Records and Archives
- Seminarian Education and Formation
- St. Francis Retreat Center
- Worship
- Young Adult Vocational Formation
- Youth Formation and Ministry

THANK YOU

Your DSA contribution helps strengthen the joint ministry of 74 parishes in the Diocese of Lansing and enables us to serve the people across our 10 county diocese.

Diocese of Lansing facts:*

- More than 185,000 Catholics
- 1,815 Infant Baptisms
- 2,086 First Communions
- 2,334 Confirmations
- 610 Marriages
- 1,906 Funerals
- 22 Seminarians in Formation
- 9,158 Youths in Religious Education
- 8,576 Students in Catholic Schools
- 339 Adults and children were welcomed into the Catholic faith through the Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA).
- More than 286,000 served by Catholic Charities in the Diocese of Lansing.

**As reported in the Kenedy Catholic Directory for 2019.*

“It is Jesus that you seek when you dream of happiness. It is Jesus who stirs in you the desire to do something great with your lives.”

- St. John Paul II