**2025 Diocesan Services Appeal**

**Sample Pastor/Parochial Administrator Letter of Support**

**Please send the following message, as approved or revised by your Pastor/Parochial Administrator, no later than February 6. The message may be mailed, emailed, or shared through a parish app; the important thing is that the message be sent from your Pastor/Parochial Administrator to each individual/family registered to your parish. If mailed, it is recommended that the DSA brochure be enclosed with the mailing. We plan on mailing a letter from Bishop Boyea the week after, so it is important that your message be sent the week before to avoid any possible confusion.**

**PLEASE feel free to alter this text as you or your pastor sees fit to make it more personal or to fit your pastor’s writing style. Thank you!**

Dear [Salutation],

Blessings to you and your loved ones! As we reflect on the many blessings in our lives and here at [insert parish name], we are reminded that these blessings are not only gifts to be cherished but also opportunities to witness to God’s love and mercy. Each of us is called to share these gifts with others, reflecting God’s presence in our actions and words.

One way to express this gratitude and fulfill our call to witness is by supporting the 2025 Diocesan Services Appeal (DSA). This year’s DSA theme, *“You Are My Chosen Witnesses,”* draws from the words of the Prophet Isaiah. These words remind us that we are called to actively witness God’s love and mercy in our lives. This calling invites us to proclaim His truth and share His faithfulness with the world.

The DSA is a beautiful opportunity to enrich our offerings by generously supporting the missions and ministries of the Church within our community and across the Diocese of Lansing. These contributions play a vital role in the corporal and spiritual works of mercy carried out by the Church. Through your generosity, we bear witness to our faith, demonstrating charity and sacrifice as a reflection of God’s love.

I invite you to prayerfully consider making a DSA contribution this year. Whether it’s your first time giving or you’ve supported the DSA in the past, please know that your gift—no matter the size—is deeply appreciated.

You can watch a special video message from Bishop Boyea and make your DSA gift online at <https://www.dioceseoflansing.org/DSA>. Pledge forms will also be available during DSA Commitment Weekend on February 22nd & 23rd at all liturgies.

This year, our parish’s DSA goal is $[insert goal]. With your support, I am confident we can meet and even surpass this goal. Once our parish reaches its target, 50% of any additional funds raised will be returned directly to our parish to further our local mission.

Thank you for your generosity and support. Please know of my prayers for you and your family as we continue to grow together in faith and service.

Sincerely in Christ,
[Pastor/Parochial Administrator Signature]
[Pastor/Parochial Administrator Name]

P.S. To make your gift directly, please visit <https://www.dioceseoflansing.org/appeal>. Your continued support is a blessing to our Church and its mission. Thank you!