

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. MAY YOU BE BLESSED FOR ALL THAT YOU DO FOR ONE ANOTHER.

"Whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully." This Scripture text assures us that we will be richly blessed for our generosity. The passage continues – "God is able to make every grace abundant for you, so that in all things. . . you may have an abundance for every good work."

Every good work – that is exactly what results from our collective support. Our contributions are put to work, right away, in a multitude of ministries and formative activities. The dollars are put to use in the year received to offer direct assistance to individuals and families and to our parishes and schools.

And every good work includes our ongoing commitment to the New Evangelization. We are united across the diocese in our commitment to Go and Announce the Gospel of the Lord. DSA helps us all, as donors and beneficiaries, to move along the path of discipleship. Together, we can follow the Lord and witness to the salvation given to us in Jesus Christ.

As we sow bountifully in prayer and generosity, so shall we reap a bountiful harvest in service to all as we lay up for ourselves a treasure in heaven.

### Diocesan Services Appeal 2019 GOAL - \$5,100,000

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
- Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)
- Pledge with monthly payments
- Stock donation
- Qualified charitable distribution from IRA

#### Make a donation online at: www.DioceseofLansing.org/dsa



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# Good Works of the DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

- Campus Ministry
- Care for our Priests Active and Retired
- Catholic Charities Works of Mercy
- Catechesis and Catechist Formation
- Catholic Schools
- Deaconate Formation and Support
- Diocesan Assemblies
- Evangelization
- FAITH Magazine
- Faith-Based Counseling
- Financial Services and Audits
- Hispanic Ministries
- Hospital Ministry
- Lay Ecclesial Ministry and Formation
- Marriage and Family Programs
- Multicultural Ministry
- Natural Family Planning
- New Evangelization Grants
- Outreach Mass
- 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
- Marriage Tribunal Services
- Worship
- Young Adult Vocational Formation
- Youth Formation

## 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 191,000 Catholics
- 1,930 Infant Baptisms
- 2,259 First Communions
- 2,618 Confirmations
- 633 Marriages
- 1,938 Funerals
- 21 Seminarians in Formation
- 12,933 Youths in Religious Education
- 8,800 Students in Catholic Schools
- 371 Adults and children were welcomed into the Catholic faith through the Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA).
- More than 292,000 served by Catholic Charities in the Diocese of Lansing.

\*As reported in the Kenedy Catholic Directory for 2018.

"In our day, Jesus' command to "go and make disciples" echoes in the changing scenarios and ever new challenges to the Church's mission of evangelization, and all of us are called to take part in this new missionary "going forth." Each Christian and every community must discern the path that the Lord points out, but all of us are asked to obey his call to go forth from our own comfort zone in order to reach all the "peripheries" in need of the light of the Gospel."

- Pope Francis, Joy of the Gospel

