



COME, AND YOU WILL SEE

John 1:39

2025





Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This Jubilee Year of Hope is a graced opportunity for us to rediscover the joy and peace that come from placing our trust in the Risen Lord. In a world often wandering in the darkness, Christ invites us to be bearers of His light and hope to others, through our prayer and worship, our witness to our Catholic faith, and our works of charity.

The **Catholic Ministries Appeal** is one of the most impactful ways we, as a diocesan family, help build a culture of light and hope in Southwest Indiana. Your support makes it possible for the Church in our 12 counties to serve those in need, nurture vocations, and strengthen our parishes by helping them evangelize, educate their people in the faith, and form missionary disciples.

This is not just about making a donation, it's about joining in the mission Jesus gave to the Church. It's about extending the love of Christ to our neighbors, including the poor, the lonely, the young, the elderly, and those searching for real meaning and truth in their lives.

I encourage you to prayerfully reflect on how God is calling you to engage in this mission by participating in this year's **Catholic Ministries Appeal**. Your gift, whatever its size, will make a real difference in the lives of countless people in our Diocese.

Thank you for the ways you live your faith with generosity and joy. Together as Pilgrims of Hope, let us bring the light of Jesus' love and mercy to every heart.

May our patroness, Mary, Mother of God, intercede for us.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Joseph M. Siegel
Bishop of Evansville

THE IMPACT OF YOUR GIFT

When you give to the **Catholic Ministries Appeal**, you share in the Church's mission to bring Christ's love to the world. Your generosity strengthens your parish and our local Church, enabling us to form disciples, nurture vocations, and serve the most vulnerable across our 12 counties.

Evangelization, Faith Formation & Discipleship

- Catechesis & Adult Formation
- Catholic Schools
- Youth & Young Adult Ministry
- Communications & *The Message*
- Sarto Retreat Center
- Worship
- Marriage, Family & Life Ministries
- Hispanic Ministry

Nurturing Vocations

- Vocations & Discernment
- Seminarian Formation
- Diaconate Formation
- Support for Active Clergy
- Care for Retired Clergy

Serving the Most Vulnerable

- Catholic Charities

Administrative & Canonical Services

- Support for Parishes
- General Administration
- Tribunal



GUIDING YOUNG HEARTS TO CHRIST

“Each and every day, Jesus invites us deeper into communion with others and with Him. It’s up to us to say yes. And when we do say yes, He is never outdone in goodness and generosity.”

- Jordan Bacon,
Siena participant and parishioner
at St. Philip, Posey County



RESPONDING TO THE CALL

“In surrendering to God’s will, I have seen him turn all my fears into my greatest joys...The whole process of growing in a relationship with God has helped me understand that he doesn’t desire to take my life away from me, but he desires to make me brand new.”

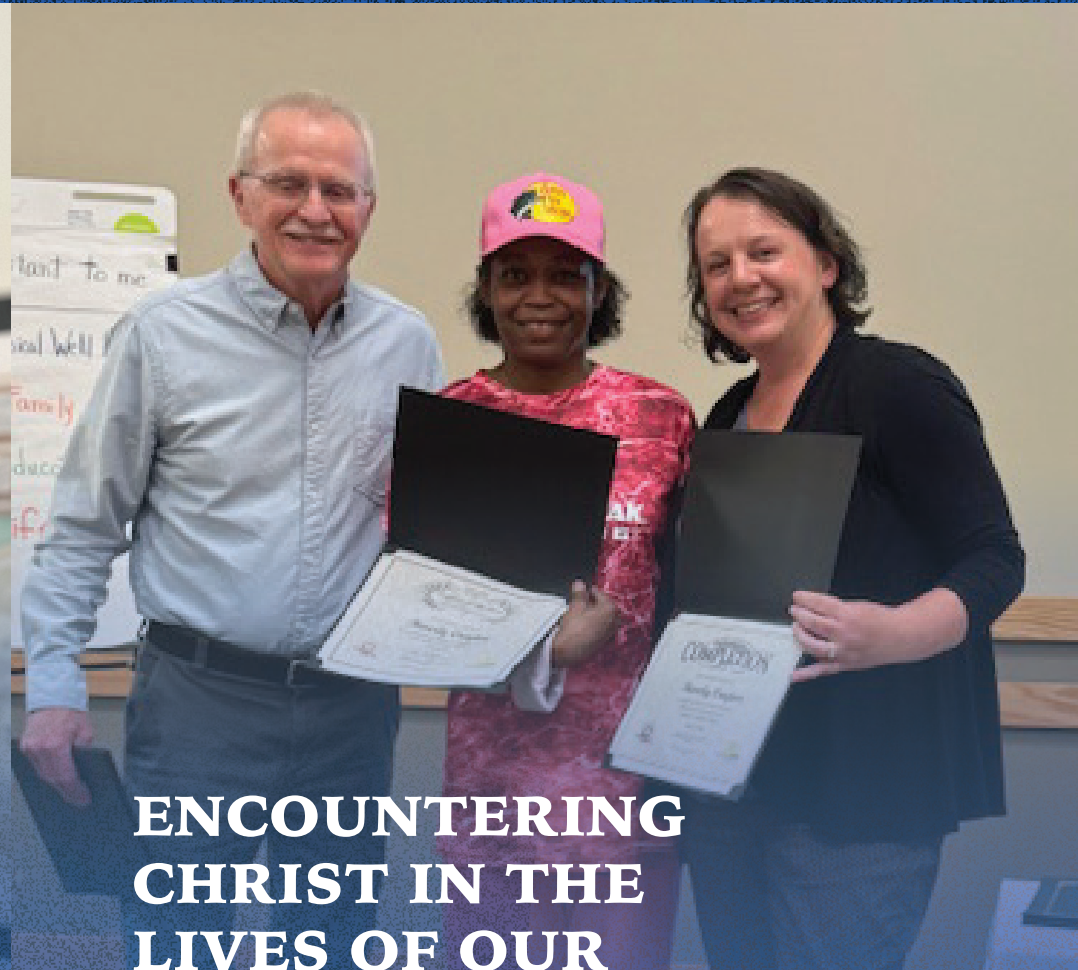
- Fr. Clint Johnson,
Parochial Vicar, St. Francis Xavier, Vincennes and St. Philip Neri, Bicknell



DISCOVERING CHRIST IN RETREAT

“I came to know the God who has a burning desire to be in relationship with me and who loves me in spite of all I had done. God became real. God became personal. And my desire to serve Him who loved me beyond my understanding became the driving force in my life.”

- Pete Barry,
Director of Discipleship,
St. Benedict Cathedral



ENCOUNTERING CHRIST IN THE LIVES OF OUR NEIGHBORS

“Neighbor to Neighbor has made me do a 180-degree turn and appreciate and value life in a different light. It’s made me realize with God all things are possible. I know God will see me through all things.”

- Beverly Crayton,
Graduate of Catholic Charities’
Neighbor to Neighbor program



The **Deo Gratias Society** was established in 2021 to recognize those who have financially invested in the mission of Jesus Christ in the Diocese of Evansville. Members are those who give annual, unrestricted gifts of \$1,000 or more toward the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Deo Gratias Society Membership Levels:

Caritas Christi	\$5,000 & Above
Deo Gratias	\$1,000-\$4,999



Members of the **Deo Gratias Society**:

- Receive recognition that they are leaders in supporting the advancement of Christ's work in the Diocese of Evansville.
- Are invited to an Annual Celebration with Bishop Siegel each spring.
- Are invited to a Special Gathering with Bishop Siegel each December. (*Caritas Christi Level Members*)
- Are remembered daily in prayer, especially at Mass, by Bishop Siegel.

To become a member of the **Deo Gratias Society**, make your gift now at www.evdio.org or

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