

Please prayerfully consider giving to this year's Archbishop's Annual Appeal, *Stronger Together*. It is only through the generosity of the donors to the Appeal that we will be able to meet our goal, and ensure that the good works of the Archdiocese are fully funded.

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FUND ALLOCATION

8%

Pastoral Ministries

10%

Retired Priests

10%

Vicariate Outreach

10%

Catholic Education Grants

10%

Catholic Education and Faith Formation

12%

Communications

12%

Seminarian and Diaconate Programs

28%

Catholic Charities and Works of Mercy

The goal of the Archbishop's Annual Appeal is \$10 Million

WAYS TO GIVE

All gifts to the 2022 Archbishop's Annual Appeal are tax deductible as provided by law.

Give Online — Please visit appeal.archdioceseofhartford.org to make a one-time gift or pledge online. Please call the Archbishop's Annual Appeal Office at 800.781.2550 for additional assistance.

Check and Credit Card — Checks should be made payable to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. Please provide your credit card details on the back of your pledge card. Kindly mail the enclosed gift/pledge card in the envelope provided to P.O. Box 28, Hartford, CT 06141-0028.

Individual Retirement Account (IRA) Gifts — Under the current tax law, you must take your first required minimum distribution (RMD) for the year in which you turn age 72 (70½ if you reached it before January 1, 2021). You can give any amount up to \$100,000 per year from your IRA directly to a qualified charity without having to pay income tax on the money. This is known as an IRA charitable rollover. Please consult your tax adviser and kindly instruct your retirement account broker to

make the check payable to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal, and mail it to P.O. Box 28, Hartford, CT 06141-0028. Please call the Appeal office at 800.781.2550 with any questions you may have regarding this gift.

Pledged Gifts — Appeal gifts may be paid over five months. Please consider including your first month's payment with your pledge card.

Corporate Matching Gifts — Every year, several local companies give generously to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal through matching gift programs, allowing them to support causes that are important to their employees. Please contact your Human Resources Department to determine if your company will match your gift.

For further information on the transfer of stock, a bequest, or including the Archbishop's Annual Appeal in your will, please contact the Archdiocese of Hartford at 860.541.6491 x 3149.

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2022 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL



A WORD FROM ARCHBISHOP BLAIR

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thanks to the generosity of donors to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal our Church is able to provide much needed assistance to thousands of people each year. By uniting our efforts as an Archdiocesan family of faith we serve people in ways above and beyond what any one parish or organization could accomplish alone. We are truly **Stronger Together**, which is the theme of the Appeal for 2022.

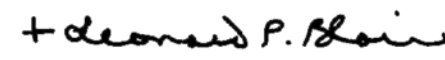
Stronger Together is not just a description of our charitable outreach, but also our unity in Christ whenever we hear His Word and receive Him in Holy Communion at Mass. Mass sends us forth **Stronger Together** to put our faith into practice by loving God above all things and our neighbor as ourselves. Living our faith means helping others spiritually and materially, caring for our elderly and sick, sheltering the homeless and feeding our hungry. And it means providing spiritual care in a wounded world.

Please share generously the time, talent, and treasure that God has given you, so that together we can meet the challenge of helping provide for the spiritual and material well-being of individuals, families, and communities throughout Hartford, New Haven, and Litchfield Counties.

This brochure illustrates just some of the ways that **Stronger Together** can make a difference in the life of our Church and our communities, taking to heart the words of St. Paul, that we *"pursue what leads to peace and to building up one another"* (Rom 14:19).

Sincerely yours in Christ,




Most Reverend Leonard P. Blair
Archbishop of Hartford



WE ARE STRONGER TOGETHER, BY ...

► **COMMUNICATING OUR FAITH** by keeping us connected and spreading the message of the Gospel through resources such as, *Catholic Transcript*, WJMJ, ORTV, and the Archdiocesan Communications Office.



► **CREATING HOPE** with ministries and agencies like Catholic Charities and Malta House of Care that provide counseling, support and health services to thousands of individuals each year across the Archdiocese of Hartford.

► **SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITIES** with the Vicariate Outreach Program, which in 2021 disbursed over \$1 Million to 184 parish-identified charities and organizations in Hartford, New Haven, and Litchfield Counties serving people's material, spiritual and social needs.



"Thanks to donors who contributed to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal last year we were able to put 40,000 meals out into the community. We hope that this year you'll consider making a contribution to help us continue serving the nearly 500,000 people in Connecticut who struggle with food insecurity."

— Jason Jakubowski, Connecticut Foodshare, President & CEO



► **EDUCATING OUR YOUTH** throughout all their activities, our Catholic schools weave a strong faith tradition that guides students as children of God who respect the dignity of every person.

"Thanks to the donors, I know people care and that shows me I am worthy of recovery. Through treatment at McCall, I now have the confidence to make my hopes and dreams a reality. Not only do I want to be a role model for my son, but for others that are currently struggling with addiction."
— Client of McCall Center for Behavioral Health and Help, Inc.



"The Office of Faith and Culture seeks to welcome and foster the specific cultural identity of each of the many widely differing ethnic groups in our Archdiocesan family, while building a deep Catholic unity in the faith and a common commitment to live and proclaim the Gospel."
— Arturo Iriarte, Director of the Office of Faith and Culture



► **FOSTERING VOCATIONS** by offering the spiritual and financial support to the men discerning the priesthood through the Office of Seminarians and Vocations.



► **PROVIDING SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE** through pastoral ministries such as, the Diaconate, Office of Faith and Culture, Respect Life Office, Social Justice, and Campus Ministries.

"Thanks to contributions like from the Archbishop's Annual Appeal and its donors which helps us to continue to build solutions that will truly allow us to be the change in our community, and further decrease food-insecurity. We are grateful to be able to aide our neighbors in need through their journey and they know we are here for them every step of the way."

— Judith Barron, Community Dining Room, Inc., Executive Director