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Providing works of charity, formation in faith, education and catechesis



ONE *in Christ*

2024 Bishop's Appeal

DIOCESE OF BRIDGEPORT



The Bishop's Appeal allows us to unite as **One in Christ** to bring to life all the diocesan ministries, programs, and agencies that deliver the pastoral care and human services that no single parish can provide on its own.

*"I invite you, all of you, each of you, to please prayerfully consider giving generously to the Bishop's Appeal. Your gift, whether large or small, is a tangible sign that we are together as **One in Christ**. We are blessed to have many new initiatives to accompany others on their faith journey to carry out Christ's mission in the world. I pray that each one of us may recommit to the unity we share and the mission that is ours, to give hope to a waiting world. Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity!"*

Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano,
Bishop of Bridgeport



Teaching & Preaching *the Gospel*

"Catholic school not only educates children, it nurtures their spirituality and the values of the Catholic faith. Being brought up in the Catholic Church, and having attended All Saints Catholic School myself, it is important to me that my children are raised with the same values and faith. The Bishop's Scholarship Fund eases some of the financial burden and gives us the opportunity to keep them in Catholic school. My children are learning, thriving, and growing in Christ, and my family is eternally grateful."

Colleen Pratt, parent



Your support of the Bishop's

Appeal unites us as **One in Christ** to provide students with a strong academic foundation coupled with solid spiritual formation and moral development to nurture the entire person in mind, body, and spirit.

Serving *Our Community*

"In a span of five years, my world was turned upside down. With the death of my first husband and then my daughter a few years later, and with the new responsibility of caring for my grandsons, I was at my lowest point, devastated and shattered. Gifts to the Appeal support Catholic Charities of Fairfield County and helped me when I needed it most. It's more than just money. It's hope, it's love, and it's a chance for a better tomorrow. Every bit you give helps families like mine. God works through people like you. I make sure that every chance I get, I pass along that same hope and love to others. From the bottom of my heart, thank you for being part of my journey."

Pauline Mitchell,
Catholic Charities of
Fairfield County recipient



Your support of the Bishop's Appeal unites us as **One in Christ** to help the needy and most vulnerable, providing supportive services that enable families to rise up out of poverty, overcome barriers, and achieve self-sufficiency and independence.

Together *in Faith*

"I feel very blessed to be in such a facility as Queen of the Clergy Residence where I am well taken care of and still have an opportunity to exercise my priesthood. As priests, we always hope to be able to serve the people of God, but as we journey through life, we must keep in mind what our capabilities are as we grow older. Even if some of the clergy here are no longer able to go out on a regular basis to minister, they still celebrate Mass as a community and pray for the needs of our diocese. We all have a role to play in the life of our Church and, whether retired or active, young or old, we all have something to contribute if we open up ourselves to the gift of God's Holy Spirit."

Msgr. Robert J. Crofut
Retired Priest - Queen of
the Clergy Senior Priest
Residence



Your support of the Bishop's Appeal unites us as **One in Christ** to support our priests in their retirement, caring for their health and wellbeing while enabling them to continue living and proclaiming the Gospel.

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Bishop's Appeal Goal
\$8 Million