As we conclude the 2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal themed *The Eucharist Makes Us the Church*, we want to celebrate the support you have provided for the ministries in the Diocese of Fort Worth. Because of more than 10,800 families who have sacrificially contributed $3,071,292 our Diocese was able to provide the following:

- **$790,119** to rural and needy parishes through operating grants
- **$821,606** for Stewardship education and development support for parishes
- **$150,000** to care for our retired and infirm priests
- **$150,000** for the education and formation of our seminarians
- **$75,000** for the permanent deacon formation program
- **$200,000** for Catholic school tuition assistance
- **$175,000** for Catholic school operating grants
- **$50,000** for Catholic campus ministry programs
- **$450,000** to Catholic Charities Fort Worth to aid in eradicating poverty and transforming lives
- **$15,000** for jail and prison ministry
- **$10,000** for Marriage and Family Life ministries

Thank you for giving. Thank you for seeing the value of providing these ministries to our parishes, our Catholic schools and for our brothers and sisters in Christ. *The Eucharist Makes Us the Church* and together we make a difference.

"None of us, including me, ever do great things. But we can all do small things, with great love, and together we can do something wonderful."

Saint Teresa of Calcutta

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**IMPORTANT ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL DATES FOR 2020**

The 2020 Annual Diocesan Appeal is already being planned. Please mark down these important dates:

- **Announcement Weekend** - Sept. 14-15, 2019
- **North Texas Giving Day** - Sept. 19, 2019
- **Commitment Weekend** - Sept. 21-22, 2019
- **Follow Up Weekend** - Sept. 28-29, 2019
Congratulations!
The parishes have achieved their 2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal goal!

Thank you to these 23 parishes of the Diocese of Fort Worth for attaining and exceeding your 2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal goal! Your gifts in support of the Annual Diocesan Appeal are greatly appreciated and demonstrate your faith in the good works of the local Church.

Godspeed, Elizabeth
Elizabeth Becker accepts position as Director of local non-profit

With extraordinary gratitude and quite a bit of sadness, we bid farewell to Elizabeth Becker, who leaves our team on July 3 to become the new Director of Operations for Crowley House of Hope. For the past two years Elizabeth has faithfully and lovingly planned our special events, enriched our relationships with generous donors and artfully told the stories of the impact they are making in our ministries. Even more than her talents, we will miss Elizabeth’s presence, which reminds us daily to receive God’s gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them lovingly in justice with others and return them with increase to the Lord.

Priest care fund
Diocesan Special Collection for our retired and infirm priests

The patron saint of priests, Saint John Vianney, once wrote “the priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus.” A priest’s love also extends to the Catholic faithful as they lead parishes, teach and preach the Gospel and offer the Sacraments. As faithful Catholics we have an opportunity to return to them, in love, a sense of security in their retirement years by making a gift to the Priest Care Fund. Funds raised during this special collection provide our beloved Diocesan priests with medical and long-term care over and above what is covered by their insurance and other resources. Please consider a gift to this collection and care for those who care for us.

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"Many are the women of proven worth, but you have excelled them all. Charm is deceptive and beauty fleeting; the woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Acclaim her for the work of her hands, and let her deeds praise her at the city gates."

Proverbs 31:29-31

Our Lady of Guadalupe, De Leon 166.27
Holy Rosary, Cisco 148.33%
St. John Paul II, Denton 147.49%
St. Mary, Dublin 146.26%
Sacred Heart, Comanche 143.66%
Holy Redeemer, Aledo 138.10%
St. Mary, Graham 133.89%
St. Theresa, Olney 126.82%
St. Brendan, Stephenville 119.73%
St. Peter, Lindsay 119.26%
Nativity/Blessed Virgin Mary, Penelope 118.78%
St. Rita, Ranger 117.44%
Immaculate Heart of Mary, Abbott 115.59%
Immaculate Heart of Mary, Fort Worth 115.43%
Sacred Heart, Seymour 112.81%
St. Mark, Denton 111.64%
Holy Trinity, Azle 109.60%
St. William, Montague 107.10%
Korean Martyrs, Fort Worth 104.54%
Jesus of Nazareth, Albany 104.41%
All Saints, Fort Worth 101.91%
St. Joseph, Rhineland 101.78%
Santa Rosa, Knox City 100.51%
Calendar of Events

Thursday, August 15, 2019 - Assumption of Mary, Holy Day of Obligation

Wednesday, August 21, 2019 - 50th Anniversary Mass
The Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth and Bishop Michael F. Olson invite each and every member of the Church of North Texas to celebrate the establishment of the Diocese on this date in 1969.
5 p.m. Doors Open to the Fort Worth Convention Center Arena
6 p.m. Diocesan choirs perform
7 p.m. Parade of Banners by all Diocesan parishes and schools
Mass Celebration
Reception immediately following Mass
1201 Houston Street
Fort Worth, TX 76102

Archbishop Christophe Pierre, Apostolic Nuncio to the U.S. is expected to attend.

View these events and more on our website
www.advancementfoundation.org/calendar

"And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased."
Hebrews 13:16

Holiday Closings

The Pastoral & Administrative offices of the Diocese of Fort Worth (Catholic Center) will be closed on the following days:

Thursday, July 4, 2019 - Independence Day
Thursday, August 15, 2019 - Assumption of Mary, Holy Day of Obligation

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