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The people served and ministries sustained by the Archbishop's Annual Appeal animate every face of our 144 diverse parish communities. The Appeal provides pastoral leaders with the tools that help them teach the Faith, celebrate the Blessed Sacraments, and build a vibrant culture of life centered on the Eucharist.



4.801

Square Miles

Parishes

39 Seminarians (Diocesan)

164.717

Registered Households

**Elementary Schools** 15,019 Students Enrolled

Catholic Hospitals

Catholic Colleges/ Universities

\*All numbers are for 2017

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## ARCHDIOCESE OF BALTIMORE

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# TO MAKE A GIFT BY



When you give to the Appeal, each of the 144 parishes of the Archdiocese of Baltimore

benefits as do members of our sister parishes in Central America, South America, and the

Caribbean, and many non-Catholics served by the mission and ministries of the Catholic









## TOGETHER IN MISSION

• ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL 2018 •

## A MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP LORI

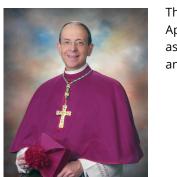
"Through the mission of the Church, Jesus Christ Himself continues to evangelize and act.... Through the proclamation of the Gospel, the risen Jesus becomes our contemporary, so that those who welcome Him with faith and love can experience the transforming power of His Spirit."

Pope Francis

With these words on World Mission Day 2017, Pope Francis outlined the Church's mission – a mission that brings Jesus Christ into our lives on a daily basis.

As we join Together In Mission, these words become even more meaningful. For it is through us, through our actions and words, that we are able to share Jesus with every member of our community. We might ask ourselves, "What is my mission in life as a Catholic?" Pope Francis has given us the answer. We are to further the mission of our Church through evangelization.

When we fully commit to evangelization, we foster in others a deeper relationship with the Risen Christ. And for those who are only beginning to encounter His saving grace, we will lead them to realize "the transforming power of His Spirit." This is the steadfast mission of our Archdiocese, and one to which we must commit in order to fulfill our Lord's desire of our becoming His missionary disciples.



The Archbishop's Annual Appeal presents each of us with an opportunity to support this mission. Through the Appeal, and through the countless good works it enables, we will help bring lesus into the lives of our neighbors. In asking for your support for the 2018 Archbishop's Annual Appeal, I am asking for your generosity to help deepen and expand the presence of Christ in our community.

Most Reverend William E. Lori Archbishop of Baltimore

The Archbishop's Annual Appeal helps the Archdiocese do the work of Christ every day, focusing on four vital areas:

#### EVANGELIZATION • STRENGTHENING FAMILIES • COMMUNITY OUTREACH • ENRICHING PARISH LIFE

enough for this opportunity."

With the number of Archdiocesan Seminarians growing, the Annual Appeal's needed funding for their formation becomes ever more critical

"Seminary is the toughest thing a man can do in his life. A man goes to seminary to become an expert in dying to himself – that's the gift he makes to the Church. Because of that, it's the single greatest place of growth I've ever experienced in my relationship with God, it has increased my desire to be a priest, and I can't thank the people of God

- Zachary Robinson, Seminarian



Last Year the Appeal provided substantial support for young adult and college campus ministries, enabling the Archdiocese to extend its evangelizing reach to a new generation.

"College campus ministry offers young adults the opportunity to connect with each other on a spiritual level and to ask questions, deepens their faith through the Sacraments and scripture, and builds a community that supports them through difficult times. College Campus Ministers are the lifeline of faith for college students."

> -Sarah Jarzembowski, Coordinator for Young Adult and College Campus Ministry

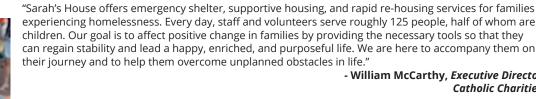
# STRENGTHENING



"The Annual Appeal's support to the Apostleship of the Sea ministry greatly aids our ministry that serves thousands of international merchant seafarers whose ships call every day in the Port of Baltimore. Our volunteers depend greatly on your support in order to perform their outreach to seafarers and their families."

- Reverend Monsignor John FitzGerald, Apostleship of the Sea

"The Annual Appeal offers grants to life-affirming pregnancy help centers, supporting them as they reach out to women and families, provide sonograms, celebrate new life, and serve communities." -Johanna Coughlin, Director of Respect Life Ministries COMMUNITY



Funds raised through the Annual Appeal sustain and help expand outreach efforts to some of the most underserved in our community. Programs like Beans & Bread and Sarah's House rely on Appeal funds to

experiencing homelessness. Every day, staff and volunteers serve roughly 125 people, half of whom are children. Our goal is to affect positive change in families by providing the necessary tools so that they can regain stability and lead a happy, enriched, and purposeful life. We are here to accompany them on

> William McCarthy. Executive Director Catholic Charities

"The Archbishop's Annual Appeal provides critical gap funding for programs such as Beans and Bread and Front Door that alleviate hunger and homelessness for the most vulnerable."

> -John Schiavone, President and CEO St. Vincent de Paul of Baltimore

# ENRICHING



"The Annual Appeal is a great way for all of us in the Archdiocese of Baltimore to help one another and many other needy people and organizations. Plus, we received monies back to pay off the remainder of our lower parish hall renovation and increase our evangelization and social outreach efforts."

- Reverend Jack Lombardi, St. Peter, Hancock

"At St. Joseph, the Archbishop's Annual Appeal parish share is essential in our efforts to minister to those who suffer and are in need in our community. It is also an important way our church helps our parish school grow and thrive. We have been blessed that when we use part of our Appeal parish share for tuition assistance for Catholic education, it is matched by the Archdiocese's Mustard Seed Tuition Assistance Fund. That has become a critical tool in our work to keep a St. Joseph School Catholic education affordable and accessible to our parish community." -Reverend Monsignor Rick Hilgartner, Jr., St. Joseph, Cockeysville