

April 21, 2022

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Dear «Primary_Salutation»:

The **2022 Catholic Services Appeal** has begun with the theme *Fuel the Mission*. As Catholics we share an experience of Church in both the local parish and the larger community of the Archdiocese of Detroit. Both experiences are essential to participating as a Catholic Church in the mission and ministry of Jesus. The C.S.A. is our yearly experience on a very practical, financial level for helping our Archdiocesan community and ourselves live up to the call to form missionary disciples of Jesus, and to serve our brothers and sisters. Through the C.S.A. we help young and old through over 170 different programs and ministries including: college campus ministry, marriage and family ministry, programs for the handicapped, Catholic religious education, parish life programs, and much more.

As you may know, the Archdiocese of Detroit gives every parish a mandated C.S.A. target. Every parish must meet this target through its parishioners' C.S.A. donations or pay the shortfall out of parish operating or savings funds. The great news is that 100% of monies donated above our target come back to St. Regis "tax-free" for our own use. This past year we have been able to use that overage to remain financially whole during this very difficult pandemic year without reducing any ministries or staff. Thank you!

Knowing that we will exceed our target every year and that such monies directly benefit St. Regis Parish, a number of parishioners use the annual C.S.A. to give significant gifts to the parish. Please consider that option as you think about this year's contribution. Included with this letter is a C.S.A. Question and Answer sheet to review some of the common questions people have about the C.S.A. As you read over the materials, please do not hesitate to ask questions, or share your concerns.

How much should you consider giving? I ask, if possible, that every parish household prayerfully consider a gift of at least \$500. Some are able to give significantly more, some less. I know that financial situations vary greatly, and I simply ask that you do the best you can. If most of us, myself included, give a generous donation we will meet all our obligations.

To make your participation in the 2022 C.S.A. as convenient as possible, we have included a donation form along with a return envelope. The envelope may be dropped in the collection at any Mass or mailed to the parish office. If you prefer, you can go to stregis.org/donations/ and select the C.S.A. link to pledge or donate. If you choose to donate through the Archdiocesan website (www.givecsa.org), be sure to select St. Regis Parish as the recipient of the gift. Credit card payments can be made by calling 1-888-331-8695.

Thank you for your continuing support. St. Regis Parish needs it and I truly appreciate it. If possible, we ask that you make your C.S.A. pledge within the next few weeks, or **by May 23rd**. If you are financially unable to contribute this year, just mark the pledge section below with a "0" and return it. We then know we do not need to contact you further or send you a follow-up letter. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Fr. David Buersmeyer
Pastor

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My pledge to the 2022 Catholic Services Appeal is \$ _____

_____ My check is enclosed. **Please make check payable to Catholic Services Appeal.**

_____ I/we gave by Credit Card or Bank EFT Online.

_____ Please have the Archdiocese of Detroit send me gift installment reminders.

- 9 Monthly Payments (Starting in July)
- Quarterly (July/October/January/April)