



## Witnessing the Eucharist within Us

2021 Catholic Sharing Appeal

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

February 20-21 will be Commitment Weekend for this year's Catholic Sharing Appeal in which we are all invited to share in the ministry of our diocesan Church. This important campaign has a tremendous impact on ministries and programs that help us lift up the name of Jesus and the mission of the Church at our parishes and throughout our entire diocese. At this opportunity to model charity, we look no further than our diocesan patron, St. Martin de Porres, who reflected generous stewardship to benefit people in need in his community.

Every year, this Appeal raises much needed funds that directly support many vital ministries throughout our diocese. These programs include Catholic Charities, Seminarian Formation, Care of our Retired Clergy, and Faith Formation that serve adults and youth, as well as those men in the Diaconate discernment and formation process. As we celebrate this "Year of the Eucharist and the Parish," we can give thanks for what Christ has done for us by sharing our gifts with those in need in our communities.

I ask you to prayerfully consider making a pledge, or giving a one time gift to the 2021 Catholic Sharing Appeal. Each and every gift has the potential to be a blessing to someone in need of hearing and knowing the Lord Jesus.

Please know that no gift is too small and that your gift, combined with others, really can make a difference in someone's life in our diocese.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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