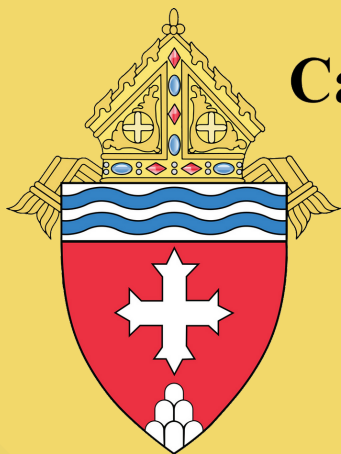




Catholic Diocese *of* Memphis



# 2025 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

DO YOU LOVE ME?  
FEED MY SHEEP

Year End Report



## MESSAGE FROM BISHOP DAVID TALLEY

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

With a grateful heart, I thank each of you who generously supported our 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal. Your faithful response to Christ's question, "Do you love me", is made visible through your willingness to feed His sheep here in West Tennessee.

Through your generosity, you are helping our Diocese live out our Strategic Pastoral Plan: *Living the Anointed Life*. Your gifts strengthen the Church's mission to form disciples, guide families, care for those in need, and build communities of faith, hope, and love. Together, we are responding to Christ's call not only with words, but with lives poured out in service.

Because of you, the ministries of our Diocese continue to invite people into a deeper encounter with the living Christ: through conversion, communion, service, unity, and mercy. Your support ensures that the grace we receive in Christ is not kept for ourselves but shared generously for the good of others.

May God bless you abundantly for the love you have shown, and may it be returned to you a hundredfold. Please know of my sincere gratitude and my prayers for you and your families. I am yours

In the light and love of the Lord,

+ David P. Talley

## OUR DIOCESE



Number of Parishes & Missions

46



Number of Catholics

70,000



Number of Schools

13



Number of Religious Orders

10



Number of Nationalities Represented

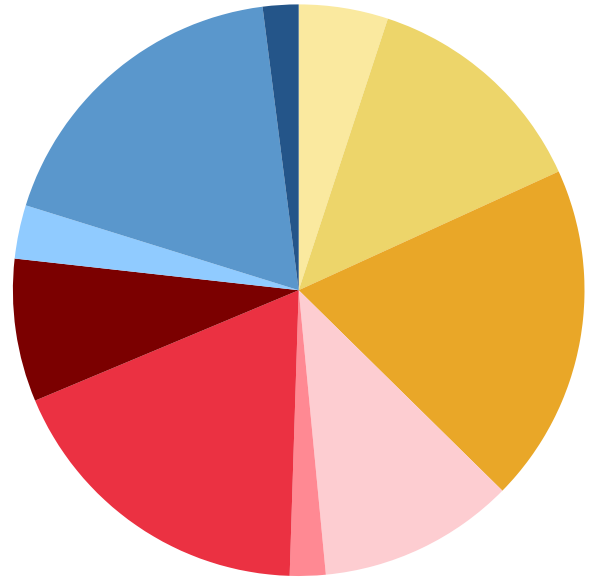
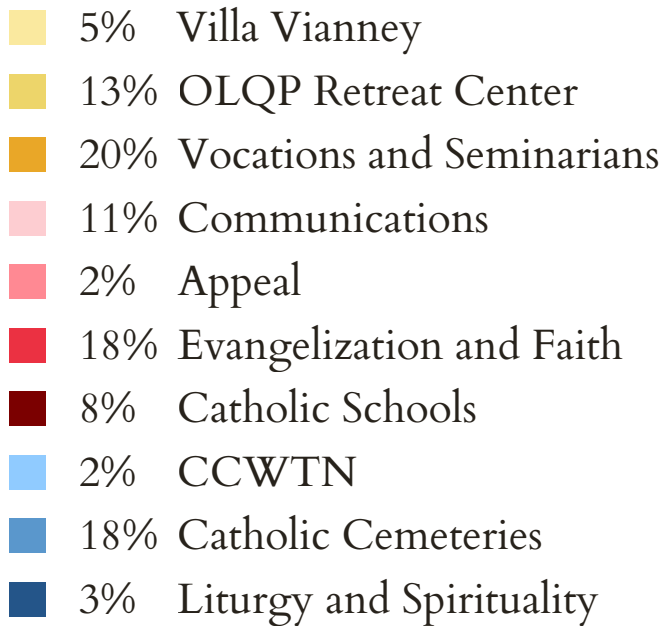
20+



Number of Priests Ministering  
in the Diocese

89

## 2025 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL FUND ALLOCATION



## IMPACT SNAPSHOT

4,235

Children enrolled in PRE classes

2,689

Catholic and non-Catholic Children  
received a first-class education in our  
Catholic Schools

185

College students attended Bible Study at  
the Catholic Campus Centers

16

Men answered the call to serve as priests

208

Couples were joined together in the  
Sacrament of Matrimony



## WHAT DID THE APPEAL SUPPORT IN 2025?

**Did you know ...** that through the generosity of the faithful to the Annual Catholic Appeal, the Diocese of Memphis continues to bring the priorities of our Strategic Pastoral Plan: *Living the Anointed Life* to life? The Appeal support strengthens Eucharistic worship, forms disciples of all ages, fuels evangelization, builds unity across our Church, and ensures we remain steeped in mercy. Every gift makes Christ's love visible in West Tennessee.



### Eucharistic Life

*Rooted in worship, sacramental grace, and encounter with Christ*  
**Sacramental Life**

- 1,185 Baptisms (adult and infant)
- 1,365 First Communions
- 1,385 Confirmations
- 208 Marriages
- 105 Hours of Confession
- 211 New Members in Full Communion with the Church

#### Prayer & Worship

- 105 Masses by Bishop Talley and Bishop Emeritus Steib
- 88 Confirmation Masses at our Parishes
- 3 Ordination Masses

#### Vocations

- 16 Seminarians
- 80 Diocesan priests
- 108 Permanent Deacons



### Formation

*Forming disciples of all ages to know, love, and live the faith*

#### Catholic Education

- 2,689 students in Diocesan Catholic schools
- 4,235 children in Parish Religious Education (PRE)

#### Youth Formation

- 136 junior and senior high students in Quest or Search Retreats





## Evangelization

*Inviting others into a living relationship with Jesus Christ*

### Campus Ministries

- 3 campus ministries held at the University of Memphis, Rhodes College, and the University of Tennessee at Martin
- 2,800 attend a Mass, Bible Study, fellowship gathering

### Young Adult Outreach

- 45 participate in a Spring Break Service Retreat
- 300 attend Theology on Tap gatherings

### Communications

- 50,000 receive the Diocese of Memphis Flocknotes
- 5,000 subscribe to Faith Magazine of West Tennessee
- 700 tune in to Memphis Catholic Radio

### Sacrament of Marriage

- 325 couples attend the Anniversary Mass
- 159 Catholic and 49 Interfaith Weddings celebrated



*"Today, many have built a strong prayer life, pray the rosary daily, stay up to date with the sacraments and attend Sunday Mass. Some even go to daily Mass. We spend time in Eucharistic Adoration, and, most importantly, we constantly seek to put God first in our lives." Ticiane Lored, Brazilian Catholic Ministry*



## Unity

*Building communion across generations, parishes, and ministries*

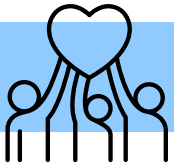
### Multicultural

- 20 international priests
- Masses in 6 languages
- 20+ nationalities

### Diocesan Retreats

- 600 men and women attend Diocesan conferences
- 50 retreats for more than 500 people held at Our Lady Queen of Peace Retreat Center
- Shared diocesan experiences (retreats, conferences, sacramental celebrations) strengthen our identity as one Church in West Tennessee





## Steeped in Mercy

*Serving Christ through compassion, dignity, and accompaniment*

### Catholic Charities

- Serve more than 50,000 individuals through emergency and non-emergency assistance

### Catholic Cemeteries

- 216 souls are laid to rest at our 3 cemeteries

### Villa Vianney

- Houses seven retired priests

### Pastoral Ministries

- Sanctity of Life Committee host Holy Hours and Rosaries across the Diocese
- AHERT (After Hours Emergency Response) ensure available priests bring Christ's healing presence through the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick in moments of urgent need.



## Stewardship

*Grateful response to God's gifts through prayer, service, and generosity*

### Faithful stewardship makes possible:

- Sacramental life across the Diocese
- Formation of children, youth, seminarians, and deacons
- Outreach to the poor and vulnerable
- Care for retired clergy
- Sacred burial and remembrance of the faithful departed
- Retreats, evangelization, and campus ministry

Every act of faith reflects lives touched, faith strengthened, and love poured out in service.

*"Stewardship, at its most basic, is the recognition of the manifold gifts from God, followed by the choice to employ the gifts in a way that glorifies the Giver."*

*-Derek Rotty, author*

# OUTSTANDING PARISH PERFORMERS

## Top 10 by Percentage of Goal

| Church                     | City       | Goal      | Amount Pledged | % of Goal |
|----------------------------|------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| St. James                  | Memphis    | \$17,850  | \$34,775       | 195%      |
| Sacred Heart               | Humboldt   | \$6,300   | \$10,243       | 163%      |
| St. Michael                | Memphis    | \$94,500  | \$145,036      | 153%      |
| St. Theresa                | Memphis    | \$17,850  | \$27,319       | 153%      |
| St. Anne                   | Memphis    | \$33,600  | \$50,847       | 151%      |
| Our Lady of Perpetual Help | Germantown | \$206,850 | \$265,883      | 129%      |
| Immaculate Conception      | Union City | \$23,100  | \$28,660       | 124%      |
| St. Joseph                 | Memphis    | \$5,250   | \$6,358        | 121%      |
| Our Lady of the Lake       | Counce     | \$11,700  | \$13,870       | 119%      |
| Church of the Holy Spirit  | Germantown | \$151,300 | \$178,129      | 118%      |

## Top 10 by Amount Pledged

| Church                                 | City         | Goal      | Amount Pledged |
|----------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|----------------|
| St. Louis                              | Memphis      | \$340,200 | \$330,583      |
| Church of the Incarnation              | Collierville | \$240,700 | \$280,251      |
| Our Lady of Perpetual Help             | Germantown   | \$206,850 | \$265,883      |
| Church of the Holy Spirit              | Memphis      | \$151,300 | \$178,129      |
| St. Francis of Assisi                  | Cordova      | \$220,500 | \$173,555      |
| St. Michael                            | Memphis      | \$94,500  | \$145,036      |
| St. Mary                               | Jackson      | \$90,300  | \$99,606       |
| St. Ann                                | Bartlett     | \$84,000  | \$95,799       |
| Holy Rosary                            | Memphis      | \$110,200 | \$84,166       |
| Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception | Memphis      | \$63,000  | \$68,349       |

## Top 10 by Percentage of Participation

| Church                 | City      | Parish Households | Total Pledges | % of Participation |
|------------------------|-----------|-------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| St. Theresa            | Memphis   | 124               | \$27,319      | 102%               |
| St. Andrew the Apostle | Lexington | 44                | \$7,180       | 64%                |
| Our Lady of the Lake   | Counce    | 49                | \$13,870      | 57%                |
| St. Mary               | Bolivar   | 46                | \$7,394       | 52%                |
| Holy Angels            | Dyersburg | 118               | \$21,080      | 51%                |
| St. Regina             | Parsons   | 34                | \$5,195       | 50%                |
| Ave Maria              | Ripley    | 20                | \$4,000       | 50%                |
| St. Michael            | Memphis   | 1713              | \$144,236     | 48%                |
| St. Joseph             | Memphis   | 275               | \$6,358       | 43%                |
| St. Anne               | Memphis   | 124               | \$50,763      | 42%                |

## DIOCESAN APPEAL TOTALS



Pledges  
**5548**



Amount Pledged  
**\$2,465,307**



Average gift  
**\$444**

# ACA SUMMARY REPORT

11/21/2025 REPORT

| Parish Name                            | Census       | Pledgers    | % Part     | Parish Goal        | Amt Pledged        | % Goal      | Avg Pledge   |
|----------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception | 498          | 101         | 20%        | \$63,000           | \$68,349           | 108%        | \$677        |
| Church of the Ascension                | 105          | 21          | 20%        | \$18,900           | \$6,520            | 35%         | \$310        |
| Church of the Holy Spirit              | 697          | 241         | 35%        | \$151,300          | \$178,129          | 118%        | \$739        |
| Church of the Resurrection             | 455          | 153         | 34%        | \$37,800           | \$36,552           | 97%         | \$239        |
| Holy Rosary                            | 577          | 150         | 26%        | \$110,200          | \$84,166           | 76%         | \$561        |
| St. Therese                            | 124          | 126         | 102%       | \$17,850           | \$27,319           | 153%        | \$217        |
| Our Lady of Perpetual Help             | 1200         | 312         | 26%        | \$206,850          | \$265,883          | 129%        | \$852        |
| Our Lady of Sorrows                    | 185          | 30          | 16%        | \$14,700           | \$9,731            | 66%         | \$324        |
| Sacred Heart-Memphis                   | 432          | 91          | 21%        | \$21,000           | \$20,659           | 98%         | \$227        |
| St. Ann-Bartlett                       | 1135         | 256         | 23%        | \$84,000           | \$95,799           | 114%        | \$374        |
| St. Anne-Highland                      | 124          | 53          | 43%        | \$33,600           | \$50,847           | 151%        | \$959        |
| St. James                              | 386          | 110         | 29%        | \$17,850           | \$34,775           | 195%        | \$316        |
| St. John                               | 60           | 19          | 32%        | \$10,500           | \$10,567           | 101%        | \$556        |
| St. Joseph                             | 275          | 118         | 43%        | \$5,250            | \$6,358            | 121%        | \$54         |
| St. Louis                              | 2107         | 410         | 19%        | \$340,200          | \$330,583          | 97%         | \$806        |
| St. Mary-Memphis                       | 100          | 26          | 26%        | \$13,650           | \$7,180            | 53%         | \$276        |
| St. Michael                            | 1713         | 824         | 48%        | \$94,500           | \$145,036          | 153%        | \$176        |
| St. Patrick                            | 263          | 56          | 21%        | \$43,050           | \$45,135           | 105%        | \$806        |
| St. Paul                               | 379          | 54          | 14%        | \$31,500           | \$16,922           | 54%         | \$313        |
| St. Peter                              | 480          | 64          | 13%        | \$55,650           | \$46,325           | 83%         | \$724        |
| St. Augustine                          | 313          | 63          | 20%        | \$34,650           | \$20,927           | 60%         | \$332        |
| St. William                            | 458          | 124         | 27%        | \$60,800           | \$63,763           | 105%        | \$514        |
| Holy Angels                            | 118          | 60          | 51%        | \$22,050           | \$21,080           | 96%         | \$351        |
| Holy Cross                             | 282          | 72          | 26%        | \$19,950           | \$21,512           | 108%        | \$299        |
| Immaculate Conception-Union City       | 173          | 68          | 39%        | \$23,100           | \$28,660           | 124%        | \$421        |
| Sacred Heart-Humboldt                  | 135          | 18          | 13%        | \$6,300            | \$10,243           | 163%        | \$569        |
| St. Mary-Jackson                       | 1220         | 273         | 22%        | \$90,300           | \$99,606           | 110%        | \$365        |
| St. Mary-Savannah                      | 152          | 44          | 29%        | \$14,700           | \$12,480           | 85%         | \$284        |
| St. Alphonsus                          | 117          | 29          | 25%        | \$17,900           | \$13,105           | 73%         | \$452        |
| Ave Maria                              | 20           | 10          | 50%        | \$4,000            | \$4,000            | 100%        | \$400        |
| St. John-Brownsville                   | 78           | 9           | 12%        | \$3,150            | \$2,720            | 86%         | \$302        |
| St. Mary-Camden                        | 66           | 16          | 24%        | \$7,875            | \$7,590            | 96%         | \$474        |
| St. Jude-Selmer                        | 36           | 13          | 36%        | \$7,350            | \$3,657            | 50%         | \$281        |
| St. Mary-Bolivar                       | 46           | 24          | 52%        | \$8,400            | \$7,394            | 88%         | \$308        |
| Church of the Incarnation              | 1853         | 546         | 29%        | \$240,700          | \$280,251          | 116%        | \$513        |
| Church of the Nativity                 | 531          | 133         | 25%        | \$40,950           | \$37,932           | 93%         | \$285        |
| St. Jude-Martin                        | 244          | 42          | 17%        | \$18,900           | \$16,511           | 87%         | \$393        |
| St. Philip the Apostle                 | 339          | 115         | 34%        | \$49,350           | \$41,135           | 83%         | \$358        |
| St. Matthew-Milan                      | 66           | 13          | 20%        | \$5,250            | \$4,584            | 87%         | \$353        |
| St. Andrew the Apostle                 | 44           | 30          | 68%        | \$7,350            | \$7,442            | 101%        | \$248        |
| St. Regina                             | 34           | 17          | 50%        | \$5,250            | \$5,195            | 99%         | \$306        |
| St. Francis of Assisi                  | 2417         | 394         | 16%        | \$220,500          | \$173,555          | 79%         | \$440        |
| Holy Family                            | 45           | 13          | 29%        | \$3,150            | \$2,530            | 80%         | \$195        |
| St. Brigid                             | 935          | 40          | 4%         | \$56,700           | \$10,606           | 19%         | \$265        |
| Our Lady of the Lake                   | 49           | 28          | 57%        | \$11,700           | \$13,870           | 119%        | \$495        |
| Our Lady of Guadalupe - Bells, TN      | 74           | 5           | 7%         | \$1,575            | \$900              | 57%         | \$180        |
| Misc. Non-Registered Givers            | 562          | 134         | 24%        | \$60,000           | \$67,225           | 112%        | \$502        |
| <b>Totals</b>                          | <b>21702</b> | <b>5548</b> | <b>26%</b> | <b>\$2,413,250</b> | <b>\$2,465,307</b> | <b>102%</b> | <b>\$444</b> |

# MISSION OF THE APPEAL



The Annual Catholic Appeal sustains and enhances the diverse programs and services offered by the Catholic Diocese of Memphis. The support of parishioners across the Diocese makes possible our efforts to foster a sense of community and well-being while advancing initiatives in education, pastoral care, evangelization and charitable outreach. Ultimately, the Annual Catholic Appeal enables the church to fulfill its spiritual, educational, and charitable mission.

The Chancery offices work diligently in collaboration with our individual parishes to provide the means to teach and evangelize throughout the broader community, to support and enhance programs that deepen our faith experience, to provide access to the sacraments, and to care for those facing needs of mind, body or soul.

Thank you for being an active participant in our efforts to live the mission of Christ and to be a light hope for all of our West Tennessee neighbors and friends.

*None of us alone can make a full impact on the needs of our Diocese. But, united, we can make great things happen! We are grateful for your support in the Lord's work.  
Thank you.*