



Pax Christi Catholic Church

Dear Friends,

By now you should have received a packet from the diocese introducing you to the 2021 Diocesan Annual Appeal. I am asking you to give careful and prayerful attention to all the material. (If you did not receive a mailing, it means that you are not on the diocesan mailing list. We will offer you a way to respond in church.)

Why should you contribute to the Annual Appeal? I can think of many reasons. First the needs within our diocese is great as the material you received indicates. The Annual Appeal supports small parishes in Eastern Kentucky. These parishes are also often the site of important outreach ministries. Although the Catholic Social Service Office is supported by the Annual Appeal, no Annual Appeal money is used to pay Catholic Center staff salaries. In addition, our retired priests are supported by the fund.

There is yet another reason that I can think of in particular. Our own parish has been so blessed by generous financial gifts that have allowed us to look forward to a positive future. Should we as a parish not make a special effort to assure that other parishes and service agencies experience that same sense of blessing and support?

- Fr. Pat