Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD, whose hope is in the Lord (jer17:7)

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Dear «Salutation»,

Trust in the Lord! These four important words express our faith in God. During the last two years, we have learned much about trusting in God as we have experienced the pandemic. Trusting in the Lord means accepting what is placed before us as a gift from God and praising God, prospering what we have been given as blessing.

As one family of faith, we join together on *Our Catholic Appeal* Weekend, February 12th-13th to support the ministries of the Diocese of Orlando. Your gift supports our diocesan family with administrative support for our parish (and school), seminarian education, priest retirement, Catholic School tuition assistance, and faith-formation and sacramental experiences for children and adults. Your generosity also provides our neighbors in need with healthcare, housing, medical and food assistance as many continue to struggle because of the pandemic.

Your gift of \$______ to *Our Catholic Appeal* in 2021 helps to support our parish (and school) and these diocesan-wide ministries that flourish our Catholic faith in Central Florida. Together with our entire diocesan family, we are able to provide so much more than any parish could provide alone. I ask for your continued stewardship of our Church in Central Florida this year. If your personal circumstances allow, I request that you prayerfully consider a gift or pledge in the range of \$____.

You may make your pledge or gift online at our secure website: <u>www.ourcatholicappeal.org</u>. If you prefer, you may return the enclosed pledge card to me by mail, or bring it with you to Mass on *Our Catholic Appeal* Weekend, February 12th and 13th. If you are able to respond with your commitment no later than March 15th, this will help us in our planning process for our new fiscal year.

Please consider a gift to *Our Catholic Appeal*, which extends God's ministry as it heals our community's wounds. May your offering be an outpouring of love as we trust in the Lord and faithfully return our blessings to Him.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

[Pastor Name]