Date

Mr. and Mrs. John Q. Donor 123 Main Street Apt. Arlington, VA 22203

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Donor,

The Diocese of Arlington is greatly blessed by the tremendous generosity of its parishioners, and I thank you for your financial support in previous years to the Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA). This year's BLA theme, *Do this in remembrance of me*, focuses us on Christ's real presence in the Eucharist and encourages us to imitate His selfless love.

The 40+ ministries and programs funded by BLA have kept God's grace and love flowing across our diocese, providing critical outreach to thousands of men, women, and children. With your support, our Diocesan offices continue to provide spiritual, educational, and charitable works to those in need. I humbly ask for your renewed annual partnership through a donation before the end of the year.

Please know of my gratitude for all you do to live a life of faith in God and provide witness to others in the love of Our Lord Jesus. I invite you to send me your personal prayers intentions on the enclosed card, which I will include in my daily Masses during the approaching Advent and Christmas seasons.

May Our Lord Jesus bless you and may his Holy Spirit lead and guide you in all your endeavors.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge

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Bishop of Arlington

Enclosure