

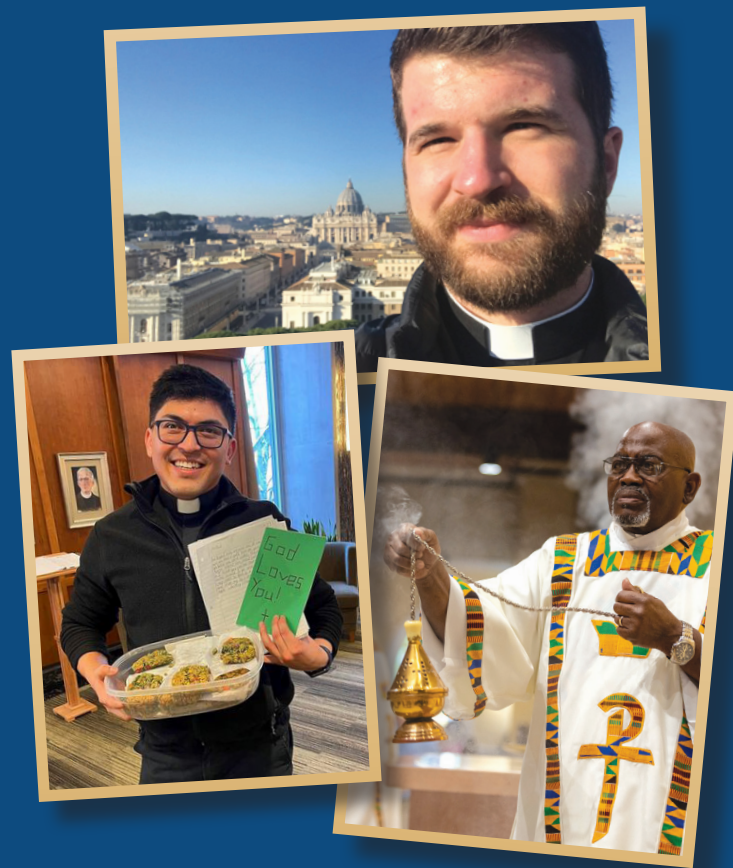


**A MESSAGE FROM
BISHOP JOHN STOWE**

I want to see every member of our Church eagerly engaged in putting the Gospel into practice and motivated to share their faith with someone. I also hope that every member of the Church will give themselves to promoting all that the Church does and supporting this work by participation in the Diocesan Annual Appeal.

+ John Stowe, OFM, OP

- 39** active diocesan priests
- 12** active religious order priests
- 15** diocesan retired priests that still assist sacramentally
- 79** active deacons
- 39** women religious
- 6** seminarians



**PAVING THE WAY TO
A BRIGHTER FUTURE**

DONATE TO THE DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL TODAY!

Category	Percentage
Parish Operational Support	57%
Catholic Charities & Community Outreach	26%
Retired Priests Support & Seminarian Education	11%
Youth, Young Adult & Campus Ministry	3%
Catholic Schools	3%

*Your Donations
Make Our Church Stronger!*



**ABOUT THE CATHOLIC
DIOCESE OF LEXINGTON**

The Catholic Diocese of Lexington serves Central Kentucky and the mountainous/rural areas of Eastern Kentucky. The two areas exist in stark contrast but serve as places of opportunity for faith and evangelization. Poverty and unemployment rates in Appalachia are 75% higher than the national average. While Catholics are low in number, the church is known as a source of comfort for all.

The diocese encompasses an area the size of Maryland, Delaware, and Rhode Island combined, half of which is in the heart of Appalachia. Roman Catholics comprise 3% of the total population. Of the 59 parishes and missions in our diocese, roughly 40 rely on external funding to meet daily expenses. The diocese supplements parishes, schools, and outreach ministries in the mountains with over \$1.4 Million each year, contributed by faithful stewards like you. Our need is much greater than this. Will you help us?



**GO AND SPREAD
THE GOOD NEWS**

The Office of Pastoral Life offers programs to meet the spiritual needs of youth, young adults and families throughout the Diocese. From large conferences to small group meetings, your gift brings to life our faith, strengthening our commitments to marriage and family and providing opportunities to become actively engaged in evangelization efforts. Your gift makes these outreach programs and ministries possible.