



How Your Generous Support of the Bishop's Appeal Brings Hope

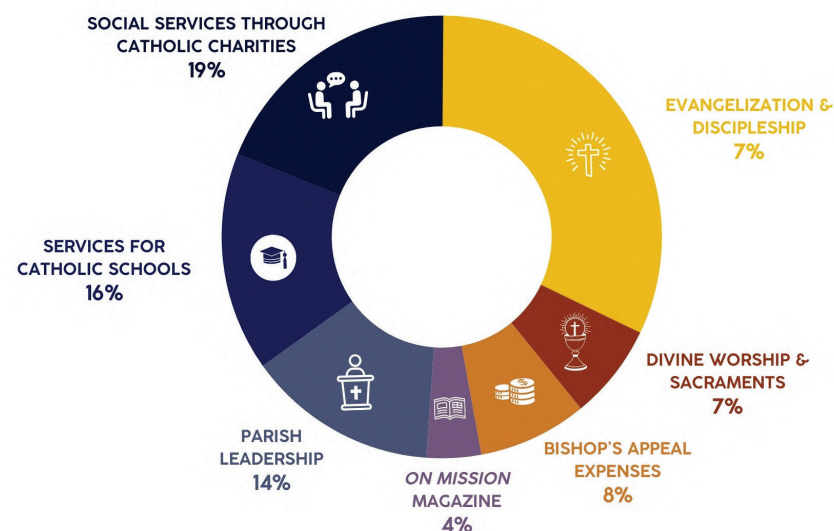
- Hundreds of Catholic school teachers and parish catechists receive training, resources, and support to help thousands of children build lifelong friendships with Jesus.
- Catholic Charities counselors share the love of Jesus by offering mental health, financial, and marriage counseling to thousands of people across northeastern Wisconsin.
- 1,400 missionary disciples have been formed through diocesan Entrust Retreats to help people share Christ in their parishes.
- 110 deacons serve in our parishes. Diaconate formation trains and forms even more deacons to walk with parishioners.
- More than 2,000 Eucharistic ministers have been trained to share Jesus through the Eucharist at their parishes.
- These are just a few of the ways your gift is *Bringing Hope to the World*. Thank you for your support!

Our Promise to You

The 2024 Bishop's Appeal raised more than \$6.4 million. These funds were used, without exception, to support the ministries and programs of the Diocese.

It is our continuing pledge to you to use all the funds received during the 2025 Appeal to provide these services and meet the needs described on the Bishop's Appeal web site at www.catholicfoundationgb.org/appeal.

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A Message from **BISHOP RICKEN**

What gives you hope?

This is a question many of us consider throughout our lifetimes. I hear about and see so many examples of hope whenever I visit with wonderful and faith-filled parishioners like you in our diocese.

Hope is found in our parish faith formation programs and Catholic schools as children receive a faith-filled education with Jesus at the center. Catholic Charities counselors help people find healing through Christ. Parishioners find hope in their deacons as they walk with them on their faith journey. These are just a few of the ways the light of hope is shining in our diocese thanks to the diocesan ministries supported by the Bishop's Appeal.

Because of your gift to the Bishop's Appeal, hope is found. Love is shared. Jesus is discovered. This is the kind of life every child of God deserves. The Bishop's Appeal makes this a reality. However, we need your support for these essential ministries to continue.

Please prayerfully consider your gift to the 2025 Bishop's Appeal, and join me in *Bringing Hope to the World*.



Sharing Hope in Parish Religious Education Programs

Thanks to your support of the Bishop's Appeal, catechists are trained to share Jesus with more than 13,000 children across our diocese. This past fall, hundreds of catechists attended a development day to learn best practices in religious education.

Children are beginning and building lifelong friendships with Jesus through the sacraments, prayer, discussions, games, retreats, and more. So many children are discovering Jesus and are experiencing the hope He brings. Your support makes this possible. Thank you!



"I would not be able to do what I need to do to be a Religious Education Coordinator without the support of the Office of the Evangelizing Catechesis and the Catholic schools and everything that the diocese does. Thank you for *Bringing Hope to the World* through your gifts to the Bishop's Appeal."

- Jessica Melchert, Religious Education Coordinator
for St. Sebastian Parish, Isaar

Catholic Charities Counselors Help People Find Hope



Hope is found through the caring outreach of Catholic Charities. Their counselors help people navigate life's challenges with mental health, budget, and marriage counseling. They also accompany couples hoping to grow their families through adoption. Because of you, thousands of lives are touched by Christ's love.

Diaconate Ministry Brings Hope to Parishioners

More than 110 deacons walk with parishioners on their faith journey in parishes throughout northeastern Wisconsin. Deacons bring the Eucharist to the homebound, help parishioners grow closer to Jesus through prayer, and help young people discover Jesus.

Your support of the Bishop's Appeal provides formation and training for our deacons to bring hope to all they encounter. We could not do this without your incredible support!

