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the special intentions  
you write on the  
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*Send a message to feed the spirit of the Hungry.*

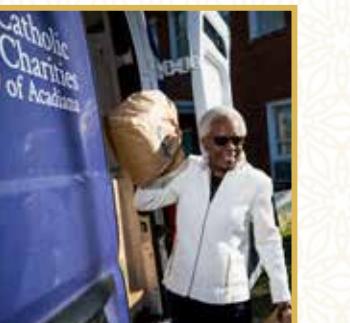
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FoodNet Bag to offer encouragement and hope to the recipient.

# 2024 BISHOP'S SERVICES APPEAL

DIOCESE of LAFAYETTE  
LOUISIANA

*"Every Consecrated Host  
is made to burn itself up with  
LOVE in a human heart."*

— St. John Vianney



*United as  
HIS HANDS & FEET*



*United as  
HIS VOICE*



*Easily send your gift today online.  
Scan the QR code.*

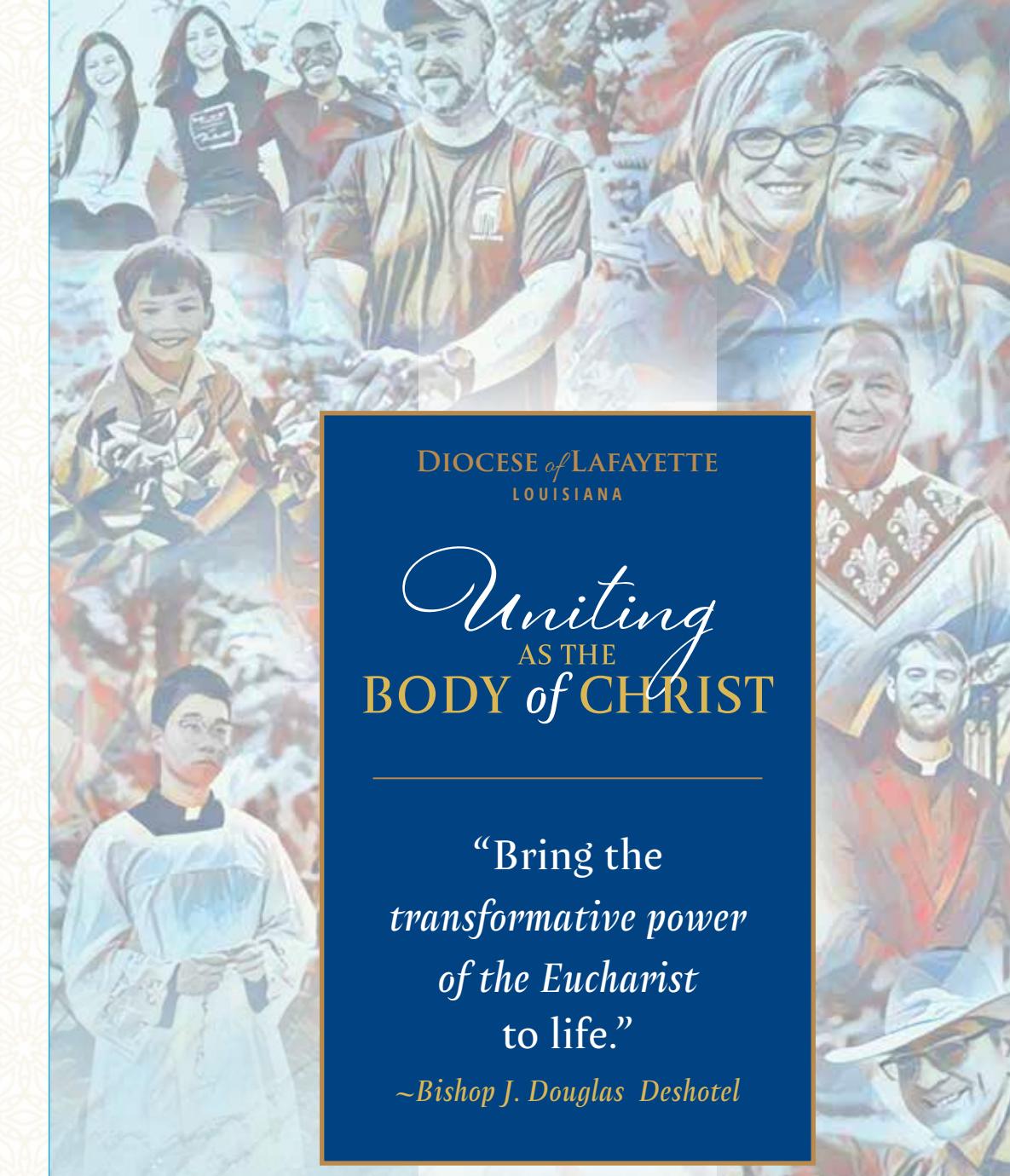


*United as  
HIS HEART*



*United as  
HIS SPIRIT*

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*Uniting  
AS THE  
BODY of CHRIST*

*"Bring the  
transformative power  
of the Eucharist  
to life."*

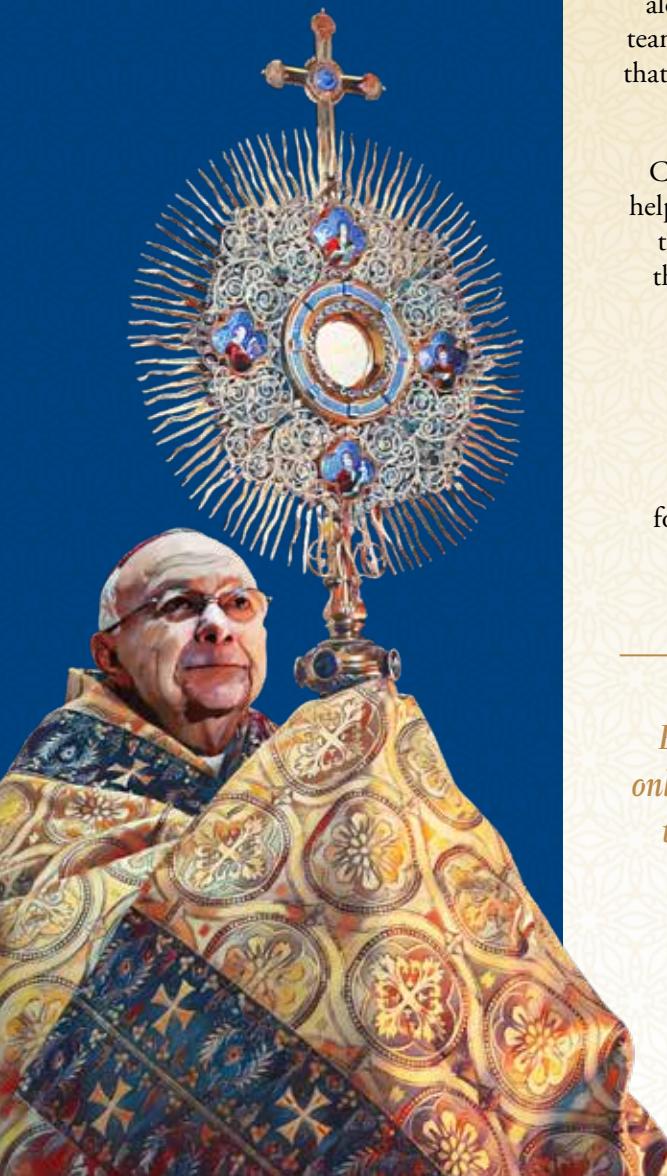
*~Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel*

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“Holy Communion  
is the sign of  
unity and the  
bond of charity.”

~St. John Vianney



*Your Gift Makes  
a Difference!*

**Faith Formation: \$50**

Inspire two Catholic families with 10 issues of Acadiana Catholic.

**Healing Ministries: \$100**

Transform broken lives through your support of Rachel's Vineyard, a post abortion healing ministry that addresses deep psychological and spiritual wounds. The Holy Trinity along with a caring, compassionate team is there to guide the grief process that is essential for the healing journey.

**Food Insecurity: \$250**

Combat hunger in our Diocese by helping to purchase food for 76 meals that are prepared and distributed through a partnership of Catholic Charities of Acadiana and local church parishes.

**Support our Seminarians  
(S.O.S.): \$500**

Buy textbooks for one semester for one seminarian in preparation for the priesthood.

*Easily send your gift today online. Scan this QR code with the camera on your phone.*



*“The grace received  
in the Eucharist must flow  
outward into acts of love.”*

October 7, 2024

Dear <Name>,

As we enter the final months of this year's Bishop's Services Appeal, I think of the profound connection between the Eucharist and charity as described by St. John Vianney, the patron saint of parish priests and the second patron of our Diocese of Lafayette.

He understood that **the grace received in the Eucharist must flow outward into acts of love**, becoming a living testimony of Christ's presence in the world. Encountering Christ in the Eucharist should lead us to encounter Christ in our neighbor, especially the poor and suffering.

**<Name>, will you join me in supporting the BSA as your act of love?**

Doing so puts the Eucharist into action, translating our communion with Christ into concrete acts of compassion and justice. From providing food and shelter to offering counseling and educational opportunities, every act of kindness made possible through this Appeal is a direct extension of the love we receive from Christ in the Eucharist.

**Your donation positions you as the hands and feet of Christ for this diocese.** Your support will not only make a difference in the lives of others but will also deepen our sense of unity and connection as members of the Body of Christ right here.

I ask you to prayerfully consider sending in a gift to support the 2024 Bishop's Services Appeal. Bring the transformative power of the Eucharist to life!

With every good wish, I am

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Most Reverend J. Douglas Deshotel, D.D.  
Bishop of Lafayette

*Your Prayer Intentions*

*A Message from Someone Praying for You*

“Cast all your worries upon Him because He cares for you.” 1 Peter 5:7

*Spiritual Nourishment for You*

**The Prayer of Saint John Vianney**

I love You, O my God, and my only desire is to love You until the last breath of my life.

I love You, O my infinitely lovable God, and I would rather die loving You, than to live without loving You.

I love You, Lord and the only grace I ask is to love You eternally.

My God, if my tongue cannot say in every moment that I love You, I want my heart to repeat it to You as often as I draw breath.