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Dear Friends,

So often throughout this year I have been reminded how truly connected we all are, and how blessed we are to be able to turn to each other in times of struggle. Even as we follow the public health guidance for social distancing and limit our interaction, we remain one body in Christ, the Church.

This year, more than ever, our parish has relied on the many resources offered by the Archdiocese as we chart a path forward through the challenges we face. The Archdiocese has worked tirelessly with parishes to secure government funding, provided us with guidance, resources, and supplies to safely restart Mass, and offered webinars and tools to maintain our virtual connections and continue our evangelization efforts. The annual **Catholic Appeal** funds the ministries that provide these resources as well as many others that enable us to continue tending to the spiritual needs of our parishioners and serving our brothers and sisters most in need during this pandemic.

Recognizing that you may be navigating your own financial challenges, but with concern for all those in need of our assistance, I ask for your prayerful consideration of a gift to the 2020 Catholic Appeal – at whatever level is comfortable for you. In past years, you have had the opportunity to participate in the Appeal during a formal in-pew presentation in March at Mass. Unfortunately, the pandemic prevented us from offering that option, and so I am asking you to make your gift today. Every gift makes a difference, and your participation is very much appreciated.

If you have already made your contribution, **Thank you!** Especially during these difficult times, your gift is meaningful and will make an impact on those served by our ministries.

Our parish is blessed to have such wonderful and supportive parishioners like you. May God continue to bless you and all whom you hold dear.

Sincerely yours in Christ

Rev. Thomas J. Powers
Pastor