### **EMPOWERING OUR FAITH**



A gift to the 2024 NHCA will enable the Catholic Church in New Hampshire to meet the increasing needs of our communities, parishes, seminarians, retired priests, Catholic schools and so much more. These ministries ensure our faith can continue for generations to come so that we have priests in vibrant parishes, children learning and engaging in their faith in updated facilities, and families reading and sharing faith stories at home – all practices you can help support.

There are different ways to make your gift to the appeal including one-time gifts, pledges and recurring gifts. The NHCA is held in parishes from April through July of 2024 with pledges to be paid in full by March 31, 2025. Each dollar is carefully stewarded to provide the maximum cost effectiveness for our ministries and the intent of the Diocese is to keep administrative costs as low as possible.

Again for 2024, each parish is given a fundraising goal for the NHCA. Parishes will retain 100% of all funds raised over the goal to fund local parish needs.

#### WAYS OF GIVING

#### Make Your Gift Online

### www.catholicnh.org/nhca

Make a one-time gift, pledge, or give a monthly recurring gift using a credit or debit card. All recurring gifts from the 2023 NHCA will renew automatically. Gifts can be increased, paused or stopped at any time by reaching out to Anne Marie Ashford at 603-663-0152.

## Pay by Check

Make your check payable to the **New Hampshire Catholic Appeal** and mail to:

New Hampshire Catholic Appeal PO Box 5456 Manchester, NH 03108

Be sure to include the name of your parish on your check. Check pledges will receive monthly reminders. All pledges will be a maximum of 10 months and should be paid in full by March 31, 2025.

# Securities/Stocks, IRAs, Donor Advised Funds and Bequests

We are grateful for your consideration of these types of important gifts. Please call the Development Office for more information on how to plan for your gift at 603-663-0136. Please consult your legal representative or tax advisor first to maximize your benefit.

Want to learn more or donate online? Scan this QR code with your smartphone to watch the 2024 NHCA video and donate.



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## 2024 NEW HAMPSHIRE CATHOLIC APPEAL

FUTURE OF OUR FAITH II



One Bread, One Body



# One Bread, One Body





"I am again so very grateful for your past support of all our New Hampshire Catholic ministries and services over the years. Your gifts have made a tremendous difference in our faith tradition throughout our Diocese. Thanks to you, we are working to establish a stable future for the Catholic Church in New Hampshire. A future where we all grow our shared faith together in One Bread, One Body.

The New Hampshire Catholic Appeal (NHCA) funds imperative Community Services of Catholic Charities NH – enabling them to serve immediate needs at the local level, seminarians, Parable Magazine, parishes, Catholic formation – especially for youth and young adults, caring for our retired clergy, Catholic cemeteries, Catholic education, and missionaries abroad and multicultural ministry. The NHCA will provide these ministries with the resources needed to carry out their important missions – but only with your continued help."

+Most Reverend Peter A. Libasci, D.D. Tenth Bishop of Manchester

## AREAS OF SUPPORT



# Caring for the Poor and Vulnerable: \$1,184,857

The NHCA helps Catholic Charities NH (CCNH) respond to an increasing amount of individual requests for assistance. These requests, often for basic needs like fuel, gas, or electricity come in to their Community Services program that has local offices all over the state. Enabling families to keep their homes heated, preventing electricity shut-offs, and keeping roofs over children's heads is a core tenet of our Catholic faith.\*

\*It is important to note that the NHCA only funds the Community Services program at CCNH which is one out of ten of their core social services programs. Our Place, Liberty House, New Generation, Mental Health Counseling Services, among others, are supported through appeals conducted by CCNH throughout the year. That is why you will continue to hear from CCNH via direct mail, online campaigns, special events, and more.



# Proclaiming the Gospel and Sharing the Faith: \$1,078,292

The NHCA helps guarantee our faith is shared and celebrated amongst our multicultural Catholic population and our missionaries abroad. It also significantly supports the passing on of the Catholic faith through enhancing Catholic education and supporting youth and young adult ministries such as Totus Tuus and campus ministry efforts. Further, the NHCA assists in evangelization and catechetical efforts especially in support of our national award-winning Catholic magazine, *Parable*.

## Parish Support: \$148,753

Through the NHCA, parishes who are experiencing financial difficulties can receive aid to support essential services at the parish such as staffing, fuel, or maintenance. This enables even the parishes in the far reaches of the state to stay open and accessible to all the Catholic faithful – no matter how disparate.

Additionally, 46 parishes raised more than their allocated NHCA goal for 2023 and received income to utilize for cemetery upkeep, parish hall renovations, and more. Parishes and parish life is at the center of our faith practice.





# **Supporting Retired Clergy and Forming Future Priests:** \$306,566

Our retired priests are living through difficult times with the rising costs of housing, health care, and the challenges of modern society. The NHCA keeps our retired priests comfortable by funding necessary livelihood essentials like health care and income stipends. Our retired clergy have given their lives in service to our Diocese and caring for them in this stage of life is critical.

The Diocese is committed to the formation of our priests and permanent deacons. Currently, the Diocese of Manchester has 12 seminarians in formation and each year the Diocese expends over \$500,000 on tuition, room and board. Support of these men, as well as providing ongoing formation for permanent deacons is another essential ministry the NHCA funds.

For a full breakdown of the 2023 New Hampshire Catholic Appeal distributions, please visit our website at www.catholicnh.org/nhca.