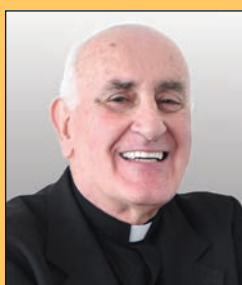


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BISHOP'S ANNUAL
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BISHOP DONALD J. KETTLER
Diocese of Saint Cloud

"The ministries supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal advance the Church's mission by providing essential education, pastoral care and other assistance. Your generosity makes this work possible."

Among the ministries and outreach supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal:

VOCATIONS/SEMINARIANS

Discerning a vocation to the priesthood requires time, prayer and significant self-searching. We are blessed in the Diocese of Saint Cloud with good, dedicated priests who nurture us through the Eucharist, teach us through the Word and serve the other spiritual needs of God's people.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Catholic schools provide an excellent education grounded in Gospel values, community and service to others. They are key to the Church's evangelizing mission, building up the kingdom of God in our local communities and beyond.





YOUTH AND FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

We honor God by passing on our faith to the next generation, teaching them the power of love, mercy, forgiveness and sacrifice. Solid faith formation programs provide lifelong, meaningful faith experiences that enrich our families, Church and communities.

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

Healthy families are essential for advancing the Church's mission. A strong "domestic Church" nurtures loving relationships, prayer, holiness and service to others. The diocese offers retreats for engaged couples, an annual men's conference, respect-for-life education and other family enrichment programs.



MINISTRY DURING THE PANDEMIC

The weekly diocesan TV Mass continues to keep homebound parishioners connected to their faith. The Church also has engaged in new and creative forms of ministry during the last year to meet the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. This included a three-day "virtual" Stewardship Week event, launch of an online faith formation resource for families, and a three-part webinar series focused on the Eucharist. An online men's conference is also planned.

Thank you for discerning a gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Your generosity supports ministries at the core of our Church's mission. These include vocations, Catholic education, faith formation, marriage preparation, family life, pastoral planning, multicultural ministries, ministry to the divorced, and the TV Mass for the homebound.

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