

## Bulletin Announcements

Please use the appropriate bulletin announcement *weekly beginning the first weekend of October and ending the first weekend of November*. Artwork for bulletin announcements can be found at [www.dosp.org/stewardship/apa/2020-materials](http://www.dosp.org/stewardship/apa/2020-materials).

### ***Week 1 – Thank you and Ministry Update***

**Thank you** to everyone who has generously responded to the 2020 Annual Pastoral Appeal. Your gift is received with great humility, thanks, and gratitude by the thousands of people supported through your donation. As we journey together, let's give thanks for those who have courageously adapted their ministry so we can continue bringing our Good Works to thousands throughout our diocese. To learn more about how our diocesan ministries continue serving in Christ's name, visit our diocesan website at [www.dosp.org/2020ministryupdate](http://www.dosp.org/2020ministryupdate) and discover something new about our local Church outreach.

Please know we want and need the participation of our entire parish family. Every gift, every prayer, and every sacrifice brings hope to someone seeking the love and mercy of Christ. Visit <https://s.dosp.org/give> to make your gift today!

### ***Week 2 – Did you know...***

#### ***Did you know...***

+ **Did you know** we now have seven new seminarians for our diocese thanks to the innovative work of our Vocations Office? From discernment events via Zoom Chats with seminarians to livestreaming Ordination for our three new priests, the Vocations Office has opened-up some creative ways to bring ministry to life!

+ **Did you know** Catholic Charities maintained their services at Pinellas Hope and Mercy House throughout the shutdowns, and added a completely new facility in collaboration with the City of Tampa and Hillsborough County to provide services for homeless in downtown Tampa? Altogether, they served over 93,000 meals over the last year, and are now working on a permanent Hillsborough Hope location to continue serving this underserved population.

+ **Did you know** that with little time to spare, the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry transitioned the Good Samaritan Project from a week-long, overnight service based retreat to a hybrid event with both online and in-person components that stayed true to the program's mission? 2020's offering of the program was still a week-long event, in which 10 parishes, more than 150 teens, 50 adult chaperones, and 25 college student leaders participated in service projects, spiritual formation and community building. In addition, this new format allowed for 500 more people to view and share skits, listen to talks, and participate in prayer remotely.

And these are just a few of the changes made to ensure the outreach of our larger Church continues. Take a few moments to see how our diocesan ministers have taken a time of great challenge and turned it into a time of great blessings. Visit [www.dosp.org/2020ministryupdate](http://www.dosp.org/2020ministryupdate) to learn more about this and other ministries supported through the Annual Pastoral Appeal, and make your gift today!

### ***Week 3 - Thank you and Parish Goal Update***

The 2020 Annual Pastoral Appeal continues to make progress in our parish. \_\_\_\_\_ households have responded generously with \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in pledges and gifts toward our goal of \$ \_\_\_\_\_. If you have not yet joined in, we want your participation and need your support. Please pray and respond with a gift that inspires those seeking the love and mercy of Christ. You are the Salt of the Earth and the Light of the World. Visit <https://s.dosp.org/give> to make your gift today!

### ***Week 4 – Thank you and Parish Update***

Our parish is filled with caring, generous people who understand and embrace the Annual Pastoral Appeal (APA) and the good that it brings to our parish and to our diocese. **Thank you** to all who have given a sacrificial gift to this year's APA. Your generosity to APA supports the mission of Jesus Christ, allowing us to bring God's love and mercy past our parish boundaries.

**Thank you** to the \_\_\_\_\_ who have responded generously to the 2020 Annual Pastoral Appeal. We have reached \$ \_\_\_\_\_ toward our goal of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

If you have not yet made a gift, it's never too late. You are His Salt and Light for the world to see. Let faith be your guide, hope be your inspiration, and love inspire your action. Every gift of every size spreads the loving message of Jesus Christ. Visit <https://s.dosp.org/give> to make your gift today!