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**A Closer Look at**

**Youth & Young Adult Ministry**

From professional development to youth events and programs, our Youth & Young Adult Ministry Office focuses on creating amazing experiences that promote encounters with Jesus Christ, including:

* **Good Samaritan Project** – This summertime, week-long, overnight retreat experience brought **300 youth, young adults & chaperones** for **8,100 hours of community service** and **4,860 hours of faith formation**.
* **Diocesan Scout Sunday Mass** – More than **200 troops and leaders from 14 parishes** joined together at Christ the King in Tampa for Mass and the presentation of Catholic badges and awards.
* **Consultation and guidance** - Diocesan staff averages **10-20 meetings each month** with parish youth staff and core volunteers throughout the Diocese to share ideas and collaborate on individual needs.

**And these are just SOME of the ways we proclaim, invite and encounter! For more information visit www.dosp.org/2021ministryupdate**

discerning a vocation who attended the Vocations Office

Bishop’s Bar-b-que event

that were performed at our Pregnancy Centers in

St. Petersburg, Tampa and

Spring Hill since July 2020

dedicated to nurturing

our faith life within our parishes

**45 young**

**men**

**1,003**

**ultrasounds**

**57 veteran pastors**

**Serving 5+ years**

**18 new pastors**

**serving 1-5 years**

**30 priests**

**ordained 7 years or less**

**107 retired priests**

**212 priests in**

**our diocese**



for a total of

**By supporting APA, we truly impact the lives of thousands.**

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**To date more than $XX,XXX has been committed to the**

**2021 Annual Pastoral Appeal, bringing us to XX.XX%**

**of our parish goal from X,XXX of our X,XXX families!**

**Thank you** to everyone who has generously responded to the 2021 Annual Pastoral Appeal. Your gift is received with great humility, thanks, and gratitude by the thousands of people supported through your donation.

If you have not yet made a gift to the Annual Pastoral Appeal, please consider making a gift and **help us bring the Hope of the Lord to those in need** and spread the Gospel message to those who seek Him.

**Today, let’s come together and affirm our commitment and support of the larger ministries, programs and services that meet the physical, educational and spiritual needs of thousands here at our parish and beyond our community boundaries.** **Together we can support:**