



THE POWER OF PRAYER



The Catholic Church serves the needs of many in our local area and beyond. Some services can be offered at the parish level, but in many cases, it is more effective for all parishes of our diocese to join together to fund central outreach. This includes outreach to the poor and marginalized through Catholic Charities, faith-filled education for students seeking a Catholic education, catechist training and enrichment through our Faith Formation programs, as well the education and formation of our seminarians, and faithful support to

the life and ministry of our clergy, religious, and all who serve the Church.

As we begin our efforts for the Catholic Ministry Appeal, we invite all to begin with a gift of prayer. We are Catholic and believe in the power of prayer. Prayer takes just a little time and every member of our parish can participate.

Let's begin our discernment in prayer together!

TOGETHER WE PRAY



More numerous than the stars in the sky are your blessings, O Good and Gracious God.

You have called us to spread the Good News of your Son, Jesus Christ, through our words and actions.

Strengthen our faith and open our hearts to care for all our brothers and sisters, especially those who need us the most.

Help us to understand the difference we can make, the love we can share and the lives we can bring to Christ through our *Catholic Ministry Appeal*.

We pray that your grace, O Lord, will lead us to be your loving heart and hands today.

Amen.