



CATHOLIC Thanks Giving APPEAL

This year for the first time, the diocese is going to appeal directly to parishioners for the funds necessary to conduct the many ministry programs it directs. Bishop Matthew H. Clark has set a goal of \$2.204 million for the annual appeal which will take place in November.

In order to inform diocesans on the activities and programs of the diocese, the Courier-Journal is running a series of five features explaining the work and expenses of the principal diocesan divisions.

Division of Special Ministries

The Goal: \$2,204,000

Special Ministries: The Finances

INCOME	EXPENSES	NEEDED FROM APPEAL
\$60,000	\$324,000	\$264,000

The Church was established to spread the Good News of salvation to the entire world. History has taught that what should have been the most gratefully accepted lesson of all time has instead been rejected in many quarters. There also exist in the nooks and crannies of the world other, contraverting beliefs. Thus, to a large degree this simple truth has yet to find universal acceptance.

So the work of the Church is undone. To continue its task, it has set up structure and machinery and a kind of agenda of salvation. The work is continuous; it is molded to reach the greatest number of people possible.

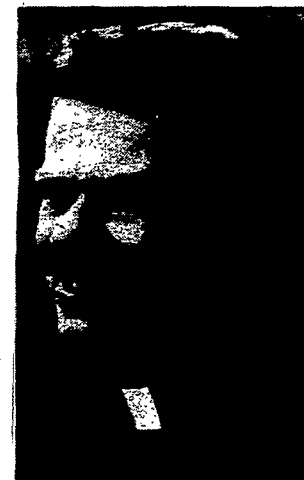
The Church is a family. Sometimes families have special needs that must be met in special ways — ways beyond the ordinary. In our diocesan family, Special Ministries gives a family's love and caring in some very particular circumstances and needs.

However, more specific needs among people also arise, needs requiring special attention aside from the overall plan of evangelization. In order to work with these special circumstances, the Church in Rochester has established the Division of Special Ministries, headed by Father Gerald Appelby.

Campus Ministry

Maintaining the presence and service of Church in the 18 institutions of higher learning and their 90,000 students in this diocese is the task of Campus Ministry. To do the job, this department provides fulltime and parttime campus ministers to respond to the needs of each campus and its total academic community. Each institution approaches education in a different way so

“The men and women who staff Special Ministries are servants of the heart and voice of the Church — listening and conversing in prayerful dialogue with people for whom the Church cares most deeply, and to whom she must speak her ‘yes’ most immediately and directly.”



— Father Gerald Appelby, division director

each of our diocesan Campus Ministry placements responds to the particular needs and challenges of each campus.

Office of Liturgy

This office is the resource center for liturgical celebration, education and planning. Its efforts are directed toward parish liturgy committees and liturgical ministers.

It works with parishes to establish “full, active, conscious participation of all the faithful” through liturgies which foster and nourish the faith of the community. Not only does it provide local assistance but offers diocesan educational programs.

Black Ministries

The Office of Black Ministries is committed to developing programs which reflect as much as possible the needs of the communities it serves.

Evangelization, education, family life, liturgy, youth development and care of the institutionalized have high priority. It addresses those issues and critical conditions which tend to oppress, dehumanize and alienate.

Spanish Apostolate

This department actively advocates the acceptance of the Hispanic peoples and their culture at all levels of Church activity — but without the loss of any of the beauty of Spanish heritage.

It generates programs that serve the Hispanic's profound commitment to family life — programs dealing with leadership, evangelization and youth ministry.

Hermanas

Over the years, these missionaries (respectfully and affectionately known as our Mexican Sisters) have served and continue to serve in parish programs and ministries among Hispanic communities in Rochester, Geneva and Newark.

Office of Ecumenism

This office maintains and coordinates the diocesan commitment to the Genesee Ecumenical Ministries. In addition to that kind of community participation, the office also establishes parish contacts to promote ecumenical efforts and puts on workshops to aid those involved in ecumenical affairs on the parish level.