



The diocese has begun the third annual Catholic Thanks Giving Appeal in which Bishop Matthew H. Clark goes directly to parishioners for the funds necessary to conduct ministry programs. The goal this year is \$2,729,000. To keep diocesans informed on diocesan activities and programs, the Courier-Journal is running a seven-part series on the appeal and the various diocesan ministries.

DIVISION OF SPECIAL PASTORAL MINISTRIES

The Goal: \$2,729,000

Special Pastoral Ministries: The Finances

BUDGET

	Total Diocesan Expense	Income from other Sources	Needed from Appeal
Special Pastoral Ministries	\$53,000	—0—	53,000
Liturgy	77,000	11,000	66,000
Young Adult Ministries	9,000	—0—	9,000
Campus Ministry*	94,000	—0—	94,000
Ecumenical and Inter-Religious Affairs	39,000	—0—	39,000

*The amount stated is in the form of subsidies to the individual campus parishes. In addition, the department — through collections and other sources — raises an additional \$250,000.

EXPENSES	INCOME	NEEDED FROM APPEAL
\$272,000	\$11,000	\$261,000

“Jesus Christ came among us as the greatest expression of the Father's love for his creation. He came to teach us by word and example. He came to form a community — the Church. Your response to the Thanks Giving Appeal enables each one of us as members of the Church in the Diocese of Rochester to become more aware of the beauty and dignity it possesses because it embraces all peoples.”

—Sister Mary Hilaire Gaelens, RSM, Director, Division of Special Pastoral Ministries



Campus Ministry

Maintaining the presence and service of Church in the 18 institutions of higher learning in this diocese is the task of Campus Ministry. This department provides full-time and part-time campus ministers to respond to the needs of each campus and its total academic community.

Office of Ecumenism And Interreligious Affairs

This office strives to put into practice the teachings and decisions of Vatican II concerning ecumenical and interfaith matters. Through research, guidelines, parish contacts, dialogues and workshops, the office is present in all areas of diocesan life. This department maintains the diocesan commitment to the Genesee Ecumenical Ministries, the Livingston Coalition of Churches and the Rochester Interfaith Committee.

Office of Liturgy

The office is the resource center for liturgical celebration, education and planning. It coordinates all diocesan celebrations. In addition, its efforts are directed toward parish liturgy committees and liturgical ministers.

Commission On Young Adult Ministry

The purpose of the commission is to address the needs and interests of young adults (aged 18-35) in the diocese by reaching out to young adults alienated from the Church, coordinating and establishing services, establishing networks of young adults, and providing ways for the Church and young adults to enter into dialogue.

Liaison Relationship

The Charismatic Renewal Community and Dignity-Integrity/Rochester maintain a liaison relationship with the diocese through this division. The liaison thus keeps the diocese informed of the community's ministry, concerns, etc. These two programs are totally self-sufficient and their budgets are not funded by the diocese. The two communities are an integral part of this division and are supportive of diocesan efforts.

Regional Coordinators

Regionalization is the grouping of parishes and Catholic institutions of the diocese into 11 regions, designated by the bishop, to relate, coordinate, complement and enhance their various responsibilities and to make more effective the pastoral ministry of the parishes and institutions.

Evangelization

A new endeavor of the division is the carrying out of the

diocesan goals set forth in "Harvest a Hundredfold." Those goals give us a blueprint for an evangelizing Church that calls everyone to conversion, to discipleship, to the Kingdom.

Diocesan Pastoral Council

The most broadly based consultative body to the bishop, this council addresses questions brought to it from the bishop, members and the people of the diocese. This service maintains communication links between regional assemblies and the bishop and provides a forum for formulating recommendations to the bishop in all areas of Church life. The Ministerial Review Committee is the means whereby this consultative body reviews the diocesan plan and supporting budget.

Parish Council Development

This office provides training and support for parish councils, through basic orientation, parish ministry planning workshops, constitution certification and other services requested by councils.

Accomplishments:

1. In the realignment of Pastoral offices and departments, the Division of Special Ministries became the **Division of Special Pastoral Ministries**. The division provides additional services of diocesan support for parish council development, and includes promotion of effective communications between parishes and the diocese. The diocesan calendar, published in the Courier-Journal, is the responsibility of this division.

2. **Ecumenism:** Staffing has been increased for ecumenical and interreligious programs throughout the diocese.

3. **Evangelization:** The Bishop set forth a three-year plan for Evangelization for the Diocese in "Harvest a Hundredfold." Promotion of the parish and diocesan levels is the responsibility of this division.

4. **Young Adult Ministry:** Expanded services to young adults ensures continued progress in the area of ministering to young adults throughout the diocese.