



HOMILY HELPS

- Emphasize the theme for this year's Diocesan Services Appeal "Do Everything for the Glory of God."
- Share our diocesan-wide goal for 2011 - \$4,500,000.00
- The ministries and services that operate from our Catholic Charities agencies are tangible signs of Christ's loving presence, for those who are hurting and need healing, compassion and comfort. Our Diocesan Services Appeal (DSA) is the one campaign each year that funds these vital ministries and services. Please prayerfully consider what level of gift you are able to make this year.
- Most Catholics have their primary contact with the Church through their parish. However, there are certain things that a parish cannot do on its own, these are the times when working together as a diocese enables us to better serve our diocesan community's needs. We are able to do so much when we come together as one family in faith.
- Our Diocesan Services Appeal (DSA) is our diocesan-wide response to help the poor and those in need. Those of us with blessings are asked to share those blessings with our faith family, our sisters and brothers who rely on the Church for their physical, emotional, and spiritual well-being.
- Our Diocesan Services Appeal (DSA) is the way our family in Christ shares the blessings bestowed by God. The best way to show our gratitude is by putting His gifts to work to build His Church. It is our responsibility, as Catholics, to do so and our great joy to fulfill that spiritual duty.
- Our Diocesan Services Appeal is a critical part of our life as a Catholic family. Our continued support is vitally important to this family of love and faith. If we love God, love our Church, and love the new life we have in Christ, we will want to support our Catholic family. If genuine love motivates our giving, we will give our best.
- When we give financially, in support of our Diocesan Services Appeal, we are investing a portion of our resources in the work of the Lord. We are sharing in the opportunity to help build His Kingdom. Jesus has made it clear that if we make the Kingdom our first priority, "all these other things will be given you as well."