



## **SAMPLE LETTER OF SUPPORT from Pastor/Pastoral Minister**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you for the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure that you share with our parish family throughout the year. We are blessed that so many of our parishioners respond to the needs of our faith community.

I am writing today asking you to consider another important need, our Diocesan Services Appeal. DSA Commitment Weekend is March 19 and 20. This is a once a year appeal to raise money for those important diocesan ministries that are beyond the scope of one parish. These ministries provide assistance to our parish and to the other parishes throughout our diocese.

Literally thousands of people are served by the ministries and programs funded by our DSA contributions. You can learn more about this in our DSA brochure, please take a moment to read it over. I express to you my personal support of this vital fund-raising effort, our Diocesan Services Appeal.

Our parish goal is \$\_\_\_\_\_ and your financial support will assist us in reaching that target. This year, 50% of all PAID PLEDGES collected over that amount, will be returned to our parish for our local use.

My hope is that every parishioner will make a pledge or gift this year. I urge you to prayerfully consider your financial decision. If it is more convenient, consider the suggested pledge payment plan and spread your payments over a number of months.

Thank you for your generosity. Be assured of my prayers for you and your loved ones.

Fr. (Pastor Name)