

## Catholic Schools and Religious Education

Catholic education builds up the mind and allows us the beauty of opening up to God. Your donation helps that process.

- Assists over 8,000 students in Diocesan Catholic Schools
- Over 18,000 students in Religious Education Programs
- Helps over 200 people with special needs feel welcome and at home in every Diocesan Parish and School



## Missions

The Diocese of La Crosse has a tremendous participation in the real life missions of the church. Our 19 counties are large, we participate in a church that is even bigger – the worldwide church.

- Support of 12 special collections, including those for Africa, Asia and Eastern Europe
- Assists with Casa Hogar Orphanage in Lima, Peru and Holy Cross Parish Bolivia

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Diocesan Annual Appeal

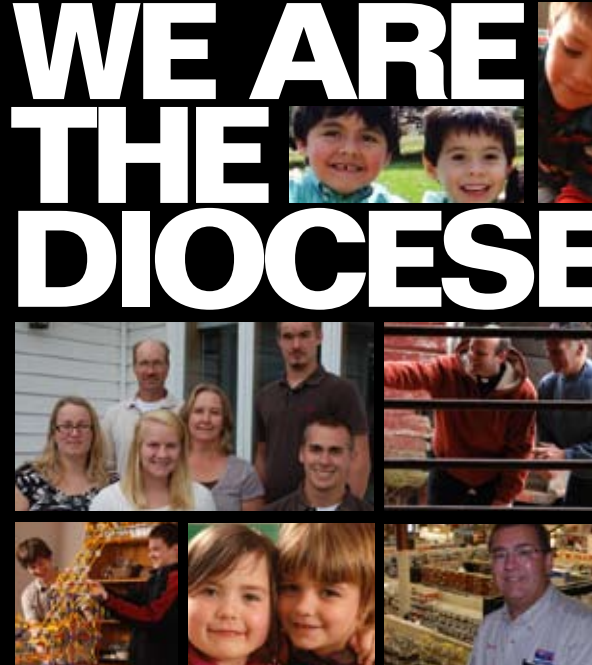
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DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

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Diocesan Annual Appeal

**W**e are the Diocese of La Crosse. Every person, every ministry, every Parish. Like the saying goes, the whole is worth more than its parts.

The Annual Appeal is important because it means all people from all backgrounds and experiences are finding God in their lives.

The La Crosse Diocese is not just La Crosse. The Diocese is comprised of 19 counties and 165 parishes. Your gifts to the Annual Appeal help many people and many places in your community, in your Diocese and beyond.

## Catholic Charities

When people and places are up against impossible odds, Catholic Charities makes things possible.

- Provides emergency needs to people of all faiths across the Diocese
- Emergency Assistance aided 9,422 requests from those facing poverty and severe life crisis
- Strengthens individuals and families across the Diocese





## Patron Societies

### Crosier Society Gift of \$10,000 and above

*Will be recognized with:*

- Invitation to special gatherings with the Bishop
- Invitation to a Mass of Thanksgiving and a reception with the Bishop
- Recognition in The Catholic Times
- A personalized certificate of membership
- A special memento of membership

### Miter Society Gift of \$5,000 to \$9,999.99

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- Invitation to special gatherings with the Bishop
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### St. Joseph Society Gift of \$2,000 to \$4,999.99

*Will be recognized with:*

- Invitation to a special gathering with the Bishop
- Invitation to a Mass of Thanksgiving and a reception with the Bishop
- Recognition in The Catholic Times
- A personalized certificate of membership
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### St. Francis of Assisi Society Gift of \$1,000 to \$1,999.99

*Will be recognized with:*

- Invitation to a Mass of Thanksgiving and a reception with the Bishop
- Recognition in The Catholic Times
- A personalized certificate of membership
- A special memento of membership

### St. Stanislaus Society Gift of \$750 to \$999.99

*Will be recognized with:*

- Recognition in The Catholic Times
- A personalized certificate of membership
- A special memento of membership

### Our Lady of Lourdes Society Gift of \$500 to \$749.99

*Will be recognized with:*

- A personalized certificate of membership
- A special memento of membership

### St. Rose of Viterbo Society Gift of \$300 to \$499.99

*Will be recognized with:*

- A personalized certificate of membership

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“Our Diocesan Annual Appeal helps people from all over the Diocese. Your donations are part rural life, part of the life in the city, and part of all the ways we support the life of the church. The church is big, the Diocese is big and our opportunity to help those who are in need is limitless. Please contribute to those people and places who need it the most.”

*William Patrick Callahan*

Most Reverend William Patrick Callahan, OFM Conv.  
Bishop of La Crosse

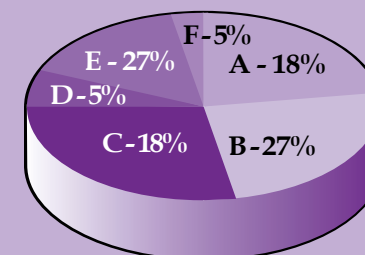
The Annual Appeal is crucial because it helps so many people and so many places. Your gift, your donation, shines a light when helping to feed the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, clothing the naked and giving hope to those who may otherwise have none.

This year, please give hope and help to those people who are in need.

## Suggested Gift Plans

Patron Society	Total Gift	Ten Monthly Offerings
St. Joseph.....	\$2,000.....	\$200
St. Francis .....	\$1,000.....	\$100
St. Stanislaus .....	\$750.....	\$75
Our Lady of Lourdes .....	\$500.....	\$50
St. Rose.....	\$300.....	\$30

*Please give prayerful consideration to one of the gift plans above.* Your gift may be made by check, direct monthly payment, credit card, or in stock.



**Total Need:  
\$5,102,750**

- A** Vocations, Priests & Deacons-18%
- B** Charity & Missions-27%
- C** Catholic Education & Formation-18%
- D** Operations & Maintenance-5%
- E** Ministries, Services & Administration-27%
- F** Operating Expenses-5%

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