Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The 2020 theme for the Annual Diocesan Appeal is, ‘Encountering Christ – Faith in Action.’ One of the constant themes of Pope Francis in his preaching and exhortations is our call to become ‘missionary disciples.’ That term has two distinct, but complementary, elements to it: following Christ as his disciples and being sent to witness to God’s love, truth, and beauty. So, too, does our 2020 theme bear these two important elements: encountering Christ and putting faith into action.

We might ask, how should we do this? The traditional triad helps us in accomplishing these goals of encountering Christ and putting our faith into action: Know Him, Love Him, Serve Him. Through the assistance of the ADA, the diocese helps us to ‘Know Christ, Love Him, and Serve Him’ through the Office of Catechesis and Faith Formation; the Office of Family Life & Spirituality; the Office for Youth and Young Adults; the Institute for Leadership in Ministry; the Office of Liturgy, Prayer, and Sacraments; the Office of Vocations; and the Office of Life, Justice, and Peace, among others. Thus, in the 2020 ADA theme we have an entire working plan for encountering Christ and putting our faith into action!

I invite you to be a part of helping others in the Diocese of San Jose to encounter Christ and to place their faith in action by participating in the ADA 2020. Be assured of my daily prayers for you. May we all build each other up in prayer and good works!

Yours in Christ,

Oscar Cantú
Bishop of San Jose

Who is the Diocese of San Jose

- **53** Parishes and Missions
- **118,415** Registered Families
- **111** Diocesan Priests
- **8,085** Students in 28 Catholic Elementary Schools
- **16,161** Students in Parish Religious Education
- **7,072** Students in 6 Catholic High Schools
- **15,739** Sacraments Recorded
- **37** Permanent Deacons
- **533** Religious Priests, Brothers & Sisters
- **161** Adults enrolled in the Institute for Leadership in Ministry
- **10**Seminarrians
- **3** Candidates for Priesthood Ordination in 2020
- **21,000** Ministered to in our jails

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2020 ADA Prayer

Loving God, we thank you for calling us together.

In you we are one.

Help us to remember that united, we are called to love and serve one another through the generous sharing of our time, talent, and treasure.

Please bless our efforts and help us to grow as a wise and loving community of faith.

Give us the grace to generously support the Annual Diocesan Appeal so that we may faithfully do the work of Your Church.

Amen.

The Annual Diocesan Appeal is an annual campaign of the Diocese of San Jose that supports ministries and services that serve all parishes and the local community. It also gives parishes the opportunity to raise significant funds by earning rebates over their own individual parish goal.

Because of your generosity to the ADA, Christ is glorified through your giving. Thank you!

Donate now at www.dsj.org/ada
Prayers for Special Intentions

Please let us know if there are special intentions that we can offer up in prayer for you. Your prayer requests will be placed in the Chapel at our Chancery Office where they will be remembered at Daily Mass throughout the year by our Chancery Staff and Priests.

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Please return this panel with your ADA pledge or you can mail it to:
Diocese of San Jose, Annual Diocesan Appeal Office, 1150 North First Street, Ste 100, San Jose, CA 95112

Know Him. Love Him. Serve Him.

The Annual Diocesan Appeal (ADA) provides funding for training & support for Parish Staff and Volunteers, Special Diocesan Masses & Events, as well as the ongoing formation for our current and future Priests. Below are just a few examples of the programs made possible with your gifts.

Hispanic Apostolate
Initial and Ongoing Formation of Faith
Formation Directors
Deacon and Priestly Ordinations
Diocesan Young Adult Retreat
Stewards of Our Common Home
Elementary School Tuition Assistance
Permanent Diaconate Formation
Liturgical Director Training
Marriage Prep
Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass
Seminarian Education

Youth & Young Adult Leader Formation
Institute for Leadership in Ministry
California Catholic Ministry Conference
Catholic Schools Week Mass
Christ Mass
Saints in the City Awards Banquet
Youth Liturgical Music Leadership Camp
Ongoing Priest Development
V Encuentro
Catholic Green Initiative
Diocesan Layette Program
Saint Pius X Catechist Awards Banquet

As you consider how you can help bring Christ's mercy to others, remember that your donation to the Annual Diocesan Appeal can help the young couple sitting in the pew next to you, the teenager in the last pew who questions the Church, the elderly who await union with Christ. Give as you can. God promises to reward you as you encourage those who seek Him now and in the future.

Your ADA Gifts at Work in Our Diocese & Your Parish

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<td>Provides Prison Ministry Training and Support for one Lay Minister for one year</td>
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<td>Provides scholarship assistance for a High School Student to attend the Annual Diocesan Youth Retreat</td>
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