### WAYS TO SUPPORT THE CHURCH'S MISSION:

### **1. Securely Online**

Scan the QR code or visit our website.







2. Bring to Church



or mail to your parish.

3. Gift of Stock/ **IRA Distributions** 

Call 408-983-0293 for more information. 4. Become a Sustaining Donor by creating an online gift that will automatically renew each year.

**5. Double the impact** of your gift to the ADA with a matching gift from your employer. Contact your company's HR department for more information to see if your company offers a matching gift program.

# **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.

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

### **2023 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 José that supports ministries and programs 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. <u>Thank you!</u>

ADA 2023 Diocese of San José 1150 North First St., Suite 100, San José, CA 95112 408-983-0100 | www.dsj.org/ada



**1** Peter 4:10

### ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL SUPPORTING OUR MISSION TOGETHER



"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace."







February 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you for your faithful commitment to our diocese and the Church's mission. Over the past year, my hope is that you have been united in prayer and have had the opportunity to participate in our Diocesan Synod 2023 in preparation for our diocese's 50th Jubilee. The Synod is an opportunity for us to encounter, listen, and discern our future together.

Our mission as a diocese is to proclaim the truth of the Gospel in the Santa Clara Valley with compassion, beauty, and love, so that people's lives may be transformed as they come to know and love the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. "Supporting Our Mission Together" by giving to the Annual Diocesan Appeal allows us to serve the people in our diocese by contributing essential support for our parishes, providing hope and healing for those in need, and strengthening families, faith, religious vocations, and formation for future generations.

I invite you to prayerfully reflect on the many blessings the Lord has bestowed on you through his Church. Ask yourself, "How can I repay the Lord for all the great good done for me?" (Psalm 116:12) and prayerfully consider how you may be able to support the Church's mission through a gift to the Annual Diocesan Appeal.

As we continue our journey "Supporting our Mission Together," I would also like to invite you to join me in prayer by praying the rosary as a family for the fruits of our Diocesan Synod 2023 and Annual

Diocesan Appeal.

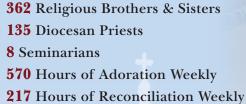
Thank you for your generosity and support which allow us to share the message of the transforming love of Jesus Christ throughout Santa Clara County.

Yours in Christ.

Most Reverend Oscar Cantú Bishop of San José

# **KNOW HIM** Universal Call to Holiness

- 35,000+ Masses Celebrated
- 3,744 Baptisms
- 3,475 First Communion Children
- 2,777 Adults and Young People Confirmed



### LOVE HIM Parish & School Vitality

689,000 Catholics

7,926 Religious Education Students

14,276 Catholic School Students (Pre-K to 12<sup>th</sup> grade)

- **141** Adults Enrolled in the Institute for Leadership in Ministry
- **54** Parishes and Missions

### SERVE HIM Faith in Action

### **Over 60 Ministries** Serving God's People:

#### **Family Life**

- Catholic Marriage Preparation
- Natural Family Planning

#### Life, Justice & Peace

- Respect Life
- Restorative Justice Ministry
- Mental Health Ministry
- Stewards of our Common Home

#### **Faith Formation**

- Development of Parish **Catechetical Leaders** • Institute for Leadership
- in Ministry

### Youth & Young Adult

- Parish Youth Leader Formation
- Annual Diocesan Youth Retreat for **High School Students**
- Summer Middle School Camp
- Saints in the City Awards Banquet honoring high school aged leaders in our parishes and Catholic High Schools

### Vocations

- SJSU Newman Center
- Permanent Diaconate Program
- Seminarian Formation
- Discernment Retreats for young men and women in high school



Your Gifts Make Our GOAL: Church Stronger!

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