## Ways to Support THE CHURCH'S MISSION:

### 1. Securely Online

Scan the QR code or visit our website.





### 2. Bring to Church



Place in the offertory basket 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 separately to: Diocese of San José, Annual Diocesan Appeal Office, 1150 North First St., Suite 100, San José, CA 95112



### Become a SUSTAINING DONOR

Sustaining gifts to the ADA support the mission and vision of our diocese and allow our ministries to better plan for current needs and future growth. They are safe, convenient, and cost-effective. You set up your gift and it automatically renews from year-to-year. Gifts can be adjusted, paused,

> or stopped at any time. *For more information,* please visit: DSJ.org/ADA

### **2024** 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 supports ministries and programs that serve all parishes of the Diocese of San José and our 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!

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"Think of us in this way, as servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries." 1 Corinthians 4:1 Annual Diocesan Appeal Supporting Our Mission Together



February 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Imagine the Catholic Church in San José fully alive: where each person experiences the compassionate healing of our Lord and is transformed through the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist; where our parish and school communities are more interconnected and overflowing with the love of Jesus Christ; and where empowered by the Holy Spirit, all go out joyfully to care for the poor and marginalized and bring God's healing love to a broken world.

I am profoundly grateful for the hundreds of clergy, religious, and laypeople from our diocese who, over the last year and a half, have participated in our synodal process of consultation, listening, and planning to discern how we can accomplish this vision together, guided by the Holy Spirit, to spiritually renew our diocese.

"As servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries" (1 Cor 4:1), we are all called to this journey of spiritual renewal, both personally and as a local church. Moved by the mystery and gift of Christ's sacrifice in the Eucharist, we are called to respond in gratitude and give of ourselves to share His love with others.

Each year, we unite as a family in Christ through our Annual Diocesan Appeal (ADA) to continue proclaiming the truth of the Gospel in the Santa Clara Valley in ways that are not possible for our parishes on their own. Through "Supporting Our Mission Together," we provide essential support for our parishes with outreach to the most vulnerable, worship that deepens our connection with Christ, formation of more missionary disciples, engagement of youth in training and mentoring, and Christ as the center of family life.

Nearly 500 years ago, Our Lady of Guadalupe was a key messenger of the Gospel in evangelizing the Americas. Today, I invite you to look to Our Lady's example and intercession as you prayerfully consider "Supporting Our Mission Together" through your sacrificial gifts and intentional prayer for the ADA.

> Thank you for your faithful generosity and commitment. Through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, may the Lord guide and accompany us as we proclaim and share the saving love of Jesus Christ throughout the Santa Clara Valley.

> > Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Oscar Cantú Bishop of San José



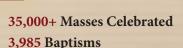












2,715 First Communion Children

2,320 Adults and Young People Confirmed

407 Religious Priests, Brothers & Sisters

90 Diocesan Priests

8 Seminarians

Universal Call to Holiness

570 Hours of Adoration Weekly

217 Hours of Reconciliation Weekly



528,000 Catholics

6,923 Religious Education Students

14,171 Catholic School Students (Pre-K to 12th grade)

133 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
- Catholic Campaign for Human Development
- Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl
- Race and Social Healing 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 Award Banquet honoring high school students from our parishes and Catholic **High Schools**
- SISU Newman Center

### **VOCATIONS**

- Permanent Diaconate Program
- Seminarian Formation
- Discernment Retreats for young men and women in high school
- Revs vs Sems Basketball games
- Vocations Soccer Cup

