



# For we walk by faith, not by sight.

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2 Corinthians 5:7

**Recipient Name** faith is a source of light and guidance for our Christian life. And as Catholics, our mission is clear - we are called upon to share that faith as disciples ourselves and disciple-makers as Jesus preached: *“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded of you.” (MT 28: 19-20)*

We may be individually devout in the call to follow Jesus and imitate His way of life but less engaged as disciple-makers. What more can we do to carry out this important role? We can ensure that our parish and entire community of diocesan churches remain healthy & robust!

- **Critical ministries like faith formation for nearly 12,000 young Catholics in our diocese;**
- **Resources to nourish the faithful through the sacraments such as Baptism, Marriage, and the Anointing of the Sick, which average \*\*\$2,000 occasions annually across the Diocese;**
- **Innovative new programming to attract and engage young adults, the future of the Church;**
- **Extensive administrative services for parishes from 20+ specialties – like Human Resources, Finance, IT, Building Services, etc. - relieving that burden on limited parish staff & allowing their focus on meeting the spiritual needs of parishioners;**
- **\*\* Full 6-year scholarship investment in each of the 39 men currently in formation for the priesthood in our Diocese and 3-year scholarship investment in the 6 men currently in formation to become deacons;**
- **Nurturing the well-being of our vulnerable friends and neighbors thru the services of Catholic Charities, the diocesan Consultation Center, and other pastoral care ministries;**
- **Comprehensive administrative services by the Catholic Schools office to ensure our ^21 Catholic schools are competitive and cutting-edge. During COVID-19, they have provided critical guidance and protocols.**

\*Excludes weekly Eucharist

\*\* St. Bernard's School of Theology & Ministry  
^ 1 Early Childhood, 16 K-8, 4 High Schools

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