



HOUSE OF CHARITY
BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL



STIRRING THE WATERS OF GRACE

The House of Charity – Bishop's Annual Appeal, with a 2012 goal of \$7.25 million, invites us to Stir the Waters of Grace for our brothers and sisters in need. Please consider how you bring the healing power of God's love through these supported ministries.

SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICES - 52.0%

"The water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life." John 4: 14
Catholic Charities offices in each county of South Jersey, Special Ed programs, Hospital Chaplaincy, Health Services and St. John of God/Archbishop Damiano School reach many souls in need.

OFFICE OF LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION - 9.3%

"The Lord directs the king's heart like a watercourse where he pleases." Proverbs 21:1
Lay leadership training, ethnic ministries, ministry with the deaf and persons with disabilities, justice and life efforts, marriage enrichment, adult faith formation and liturgical catechesis develop strong leaders of our faith acting like a channel of water directed by God.

YOUTH MINISTRY - 2.2%

Baby Moses saved from the Waters of the Nile - Exodus
Youth ministry programs in two-thirds of parishes and a growing number of new programs help to save our youth, as Moses was pulled from the waters of the Nile, for the mission that God has chosen for them.

YOUNG ADULT, EVANGELIZATION AND CAMPUS MINISTRIES - 3.4%

Jesus healed the crippled man beside the waters of Bethesda. John 5: 1-18
Parish evangelization workshops, Theology on Tap programs, 3 university campus ministries, and 2 Neumann Centers bring the waters of grace to those awaiting its healing touch.

VOCATIONS, SEMINARIAN & PERMANENT DIACONATE FORMATION, CARE OF SICK & ELDERLY PRIESTS 12.0%

The Wedding Feast of Cana miracle of the water changed into wine. John 2: 1-11.
Pastors and clergy continue to bring the miracle of water into wine, in remembrance of Jesus.

COMPASSIONATE OUTREACH - 2.8%

I will be your God and you will be My people. Leviticus 26:12
Emergency relief services, programs like the Romero Center, Hopeworks 'n' Camden, Our Lady of Lourdes Medical Center and other programs offer a sense of belonging to something bigger than ourselves.

SUPPORT FOR NEEDY PARISHES AND SCHOOLS - 8.3%

Come after me and I will make you Fishers of Men. Matthew 4:19

INCENTIVES FOR PARISH INITIATIVES - 10.0%

Jesus' Baptism in the Jordan taught us about the rebirth we obtain in the waters of our own Baptism. Matthew 3:17
When each parish collects their goal amount, 10% is returned to the parish for local charitable needs. Additionally, 75% of all funds received above the parish goal will also be returned to the parish to foster charitable and ministerial work.

Our goal here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish is \$108,700 – but we have already raised an incredible \$18,300 from the contributions of only 10 families! That's an average gift of over \$1,800 each! Now we invite all parishioners to participate in this important effort. Next weekend has been designated Appeal Weekend. Please make your sacrificial gift to help continue the mission of the Church here in the Diocese of Camden.

