

# A message from Bishop Matano

## MY DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST,

At the beginning of the 2015-2016 Catholic Ministries Appeal, I wrote that, as Christian stewards, each of us is challenged to use the resources with which we have been blessed to serve one another and help build the kingdom of God. You responded with more than \$6 million in gifts/pledges that made last year's campaign the most successful annual appeal in the history of our Diocese. For this, I am continually grateful.



Through the gifts we receive from the annual Appeal, we combine our financial resources to advance the work of the Church through a broad range of ministries of prayer and worship, education and service, social concerns and works of charity being carried out throughout the Diocese of Rochester.

While deeply grateful, I also recognize our responsibility to be good stewards of your donations. This annual report is meant to provide you with an accurate accounting of your gifts, as well as to highlight some of the wonderful accomplishments and services that are made possible by the annual Appeal.

Assuring you of remembrance in my prayers and humbly asking for a remembrance in your good prayers, I remain,

Devotedly yours in Christ,

+ *Salvatore R. Matano*

The Most Reverend Salvatore R. Matano  
Bishop of Rochester

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## 2015/2016 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL



WE ARE ALL  
*One Body*



2015/2016 Annual Report

# We had much to be grateful for in 2015/2016

We are pleased to report that for the first time in the 36-year history of the Catholic Ministries Appeal, your gifts to this important annual campaign totalled more than \$6 million. We are grateful to the nearly 28,000 households that contributed to the 2015-2016 campaign. Thank you for sharing generously to this important campaign. We have prepared this annual report to provide our donors with a better understanding of how these funds were used to help our Diocese meet the many pastoral, educational and charitable needs in faith communities across our 12 counties.



Photo by Mike Crupi/Catholic Courier

Your generous gifts helped to:

*Ordain* three priests, four deacons and educate 13 seminarians toward the Priesthood



*Assist* 250,000 people at our 10 Catholic Charities agencies throughout our 12 counties



*Educate* 20,000 youth at one of our Catholic schools or through parish-based religious education programs



**We hope that you will find it in your hearts to continue your generous support when the materials arrive for the 2016-2017 CMA in September.**

## 2015-2016 CMA Allocations

Serving people in need through Catholic Charities  
Support for the 10 regional offices/agencies throughout our 12 counties..... **\$691,866**

Educating our young in the Catholic Faith  
Supporting Catholic schools, campus ministry, sacramental preparation, young adult and youth ministry programs..... **\$623,965**

Providing diocesan-wide services to our parishes and institutions  
Information Technology, Hospital and Jail Chaplaincy, Pastoral Planning, Tribunal, Communications, Stewardship, Finance/Audit, Legal Services, Liturgical, Urban, Rural, and Multicultural Services, subsidies and programs..... **\$1,346,891**

Supporting Priests, Deacons, Pastoral Leaders & Vocations  
Priest and Deacon personnel, lay ecclesial ministers, formation, continuing education, sabbaticals, St. Bernard's School of Theology & Ministry..... **\$1,041,572**

Funding the Ministries of our Pope & Bishop  
Vatican Ministries, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, NYS Conference of Catholic Bishops, Bishop Matano's Office, the Presbyteral Council, and the Stewardship Council..... **\$631,979**

Funding Operations & Support Services  
Facilities, utilities, telephones, insurance, maintenance, capital improvements..... **\$1,511,545**

Supporting the CMA Campaign  
Staff, printed materials, video production, data processing and postage..... **\$327,182**

**TOTAL GOAL \$6,175,000**

*Thank you* FOR SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH IN THE 2015/2016 CMA