



Development Update

October, 2010

2010-2011 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal Update

As of September 21, we have received pledges amounting to \$1,136,912 from 7,331 households for an average gift of \$155.08. We are below where we were at this time last year which was \$1,173,644 in pledges from 7,354 households. **The vitality of our diocesan ministries depends on you and the support of the faithful.** Please encourage your parishioners to give generously.

Catholic Community Foundation

The Board of Directors met September 9 at Holy Trinity Parish Center in Fairview Heights. Executive Director Jim Mroczkowski reported the Foundation managed total assets of \$23,972,281 as of July 31, 2010. The total portfolio of the Foundation is up 11.3% for the last year.

Planned Giving

Do you know that a 60-year-old person can receive 5.1% payments for life through a charitable gift annuity with the Diocese of Belleville? Contact Randy Flachsbart at 618-277-8181, Extension 132 or by email: rflachsbart@diobelle.org for more information

Grants and Communications

Extension Calendar Orders

If you have not already done so, we urge you to consider purchasing calendars for your parish through **The Catholic Church Extension Society of the United States of America**, the only organization whose calendars are produced by the Catholic Church for our Catholic community. **Extension's calendar is the only one that gives 100% of its proceeds to benefit poor and isolated Catholic communities across the United States, including their most generous support of our Belleville Diocese**. Currently and in past years parishes, agencies and ministries in our Belleville Diocese have received and continue to receive Extension funding. Three different calendar themes are available for 2011 – Saints, Vocations and Stewardship – and, for the first time, a Hispanic life calendar is also being offered. Entitled *Memoria Historica y Presente*, this entirely Spanish language calendar speaks to the deep faith of the Hispanic Catholic community as well as its deeply rooted presence in the United States.

For additional information or to order Extension calendars, please contact Tom Finnegan at 800-282-5055 or tfinnegan@catholicextension.org. Thank you so much for your consideration; we and our friends at Extension are most grateful.

World Mission Sunday

Just a reminder that the World Mission Sunday collection is scheduled for October 23-24. This is an opportunity to pray for the Church's worldwide missionary work and to offer our financial help in response to the Holy Father's annual appeal for the Mission Church. Please be as generous as you are able.

St. Vincent de Paul Society's Tribute to Joe Hubbard

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will honor Joe Hubbard for 50 years of service. You and your parish members are invited to join in honoring and thanking Joe by supporting the Joe Hubbard Tribute Dinner which will be held on Saturday, October 30, 2010, at Fischer's Restaurant, Belleville. Please consider attending the dinner, being an event sponsor, placing an ad in the dinner program book or making a cash donation. For additional information please contact Charlie or Sandy Cullen at 618-398-2506 or ccullen5@peaknet.net; Pat Hoglebe at 618-799-8505 or pat.hoglebe@gmail.com; or Judy Phillips, 618-277-0796, Extension 114 or jphillips@diobelle.org. Thank you so much.

Recent Grants

The United Way of Greater St. Louis awarded a one-time Transitional Housing Grant of \$10,000 to Holy Angels Shelter and a one-time Energy Efficiency Grant of \$5,000 to Catholic Urban Programs.

The Catholic Church Extension Society of the United States of America awarded a \$1,493 grant for the diocesan Development Office's attendance at the 2010 International Catholic Stewardship Conference.

Thank you for your ongoing support; if we can be of assistance in any way, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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