



# Development Update

**May, 2010**

## **The 2010 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal**

As of April 28, 5,480 households have pledged \$844,944 to The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal for an average gift of \$154. At this time last year 5,539 households had pledged \$832,494 for an average gift of \$150. The goal for the 2010 CSMA is \$1.5 million. A second mailing will be sent in May to those households that have supported the appeal within the past five years but have not responded to the first mailing and to all new parish members. Also, every household making a contribution to The CSMA will receive a thank you letter approximately four-six weeks after their gift/pledge is received instead of the year-end post card that has been sent in the past.

We cannot stress enough the importance of your commitment to promoting The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal and encouraging your parishioners to consider making a gift – large or small – if they are able. If each individual or family gives what they can afford, according to their means, the work of our ministries and programs will continue to touch thousands of lives and hearts throughout southern Illinois. We are truly grateful for your assistance and support.

Congratulations and heartfelt thanks to the following parishes that have already exceeded their CSMA financial targets:



### **Belleville Deanery**

Holy Childhood, Mascoutah  
St. Anthony, Lively Grove  
St. Luke, Belleville

### **East Deanery**

St. Edward, Fairfield  
St. Joseph, Elizabethtown  
St. Joseph, Equality  
St. Mary Immaculate Conception, Shawneetown  
St. Patrick, Enfield  
St. Patrick, Pond Settlement  
St. Stephen, Flora

### **East St. Louis Deanery**

Immaculate Conception, East St. Louis

### **North Central Deanery**

St. Felicitas, Beaver Prairie  
St. Rose, St. Rose

### **South Deanery**

St. Paul, Vienna

### **West Deanery**

Our Lady of Lourdes, Sparta  
St. Joseph, Prairie Du Rocher  
St. Leo, Modoc  
Mary Help of Christians, Chester  
St. Mary Church of Divine Maternity, Ellis Grove  
St. Patrick, Ruma  
St. Pius V, Walsh



Please continue to submit your parish reports in a timely fashion.

## **Catholic Community Foundation**

The Board of Directors will hold its summer meeting on Thursday, June 3, at St. Mary Parish Center in Mount Vernon at 7:00 p.m. As of March 31, the Foundation managed assets of \$23,806,354. The total fund of the Foundation earned 2.6% for the month of March and 2.7% for the first quarter in 2010.

## **Planned Giving for Parishes**

Planned Giving Director Randy Flachsbart says planned giving information is available for all parishes and elementary schools with a website. Material on bequests, beneficiary designation forms, charitable gift annuities and retirement plan assets can be obtained by contacting Randy at 618-277-8181, Extension 132, or by email at: [rflachsbart@diobelle.org](mailto:rflachsbart@diobelle.org). Randy is also available to meet with Parish Councils, Finance/Investment Committees and School Boards to discuss how planned giving can support each parish.

## **Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal Fund for Ministry**

Just a reminder that the 2010-2011 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal Fund for Ministry grant application form and brochure are now available on the diocesan website, [www.diobelle.org](http://www.diobelle.org) under the “Resources” tab or by calling 618-277-0796, Extension 130 (Ann Bergmann) or Extension 114 (Judy Phillips). The deadline for submitting grant applications is **September 1, 2010**. Individuals and organizations, agencies or departments currently funded in part or total by The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal are not eligible.

## **Recent Grants Activities**

The Koch Foundation, Inc., awarded the diocese a \$10,000 grant for seminarian education.

Daystar Community Program received a \$15,000 grant from the Helen V. Brach Foundation.

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

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