

Ways to Support THE CHURCH'S MISSION:

1. Securely Online

Scan the QR code or visit our website.



DSJ.org/ADA

2. Bring to Church



Place in the offertory basket or mail to your parish.

3. Gift of Stock/ IRA Distributions



Call 408-983-0293 for more information.

4. Become a Sustaining Donor

by creating an online gift that will automatically renew each year.

5. Double the impact

of your gift to the ADA with a matching gift from your employer. Contact your company's HR department for more information to see if your company offers a matching gift program.

Prayers for SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Please let us know if there are special intentions that we can offer up in prayer for you. Your prayer requests will be placed in the Chapel at our Chancery Office where they will be remembered at daily Mass throughout the year by our chancery staff and priests.

Please return this panel with your ADA pledge or you can mail it separately to:
Diocese of San José, Annual Diocesan Appeal Office, 1150 North First St., Suite 100, San José, CA 95112



JOIN THE St. Francis Society

Sustaining gifts are safe and convenient, and they allow the Diocese to better plan for current needs and future growth to make a lasting impact. Once you set up a sustaining gift, it continues monthly from year to year, until you change or cancel it. By making a sustaining gift you will become a member of our new St. Francis Society.

For more information, please visit: DSJ.org/ADA

2025 ADA PRAYER

Loving God, we thank you for calling us together.

In you we are one.

Help us to remember that united, we are called to love and serve one another through the generous sharing of our time, talent, and treasure.

Please bless our efforts and help us to grow as a wise and loving community of faith.

Give us the grace to generously support the Annual Diocesan Appeal so that we may faithfully do the work of your Church.

AMEN.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

The Annual Diocesan Appeal supports ministries and programs that serve all parishes of the Diocese of San José and our local community. It also gives parishes the opportunity to raise significant funds by earning rebates over their own individual parish goal.



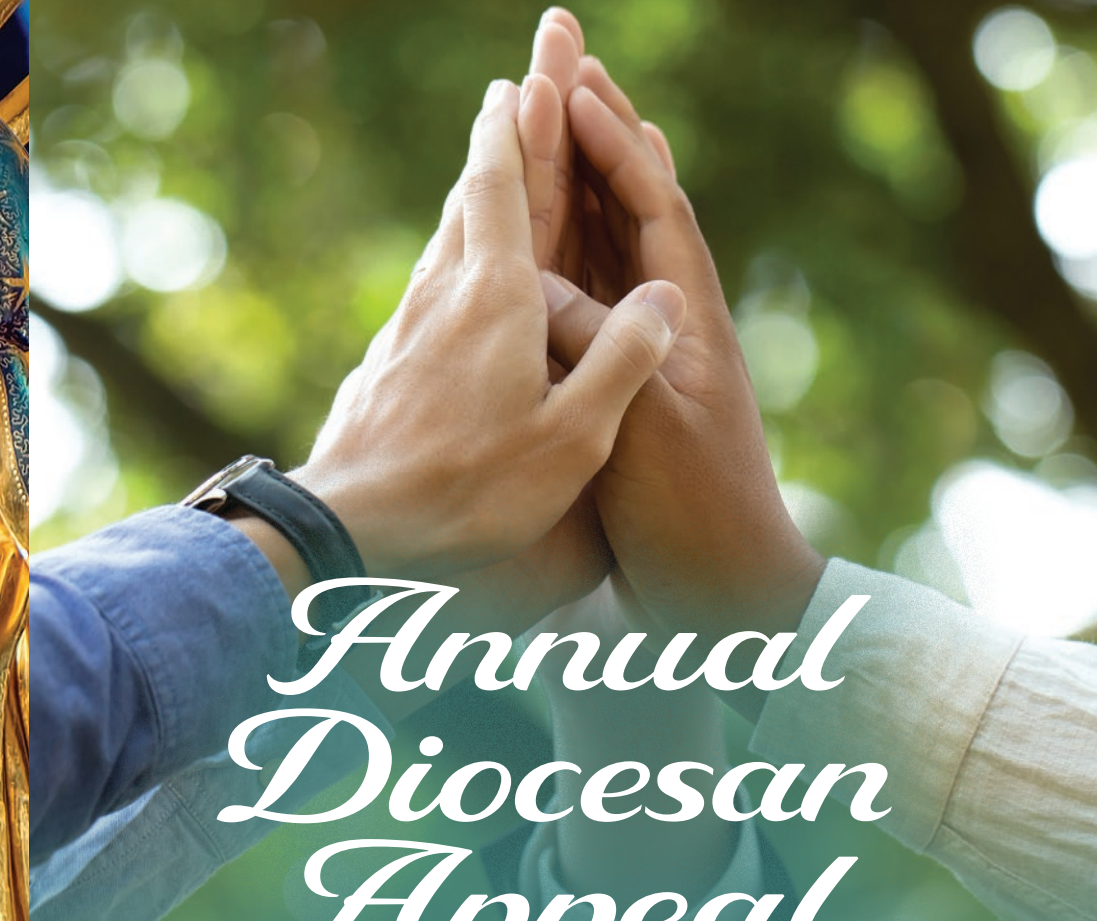
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"We have set our hope on the living God."

1 Timothy 4:10



Annual Diocesan Appeal

Supporting Our Mission Together





Office of the Bishop
DIOCESE OF SAN JOSÉ

February 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Christ is our joy and our hope! He is truly alive and walks with us every day. As we embark on our journey to bring our new pastoral plan to life, *Renewed in Christ, Together in Mission*, we are called to joyfully share God's healing love with a world in need.

At the same time, the Pope Francis has called for a Jubilee Year of Hope. This special year, spanning from December 24, 2024 to December 14, 2025, invites the entire Church to embrace a renewed sense of authentic hope and to seek the treasures of heaven. I encourage you to reflect on how you can contribute to the spiritual renewal of your parish and our wider church community during this important time.

One way you can participate in this renewal is through our Annual Diocesan Appeal (ADA). Each year, we work together as one family in Christ to proclaim the truth of the Gospel throughout Santa Clara Valley. This year's ADA theme, "Supporting Our Mission Together" calls us to continue growing in faith, love, and service as we support our parishes and vital diocesan ministries that bring care and healing to those in need.

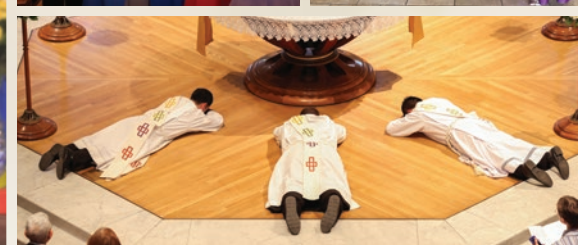
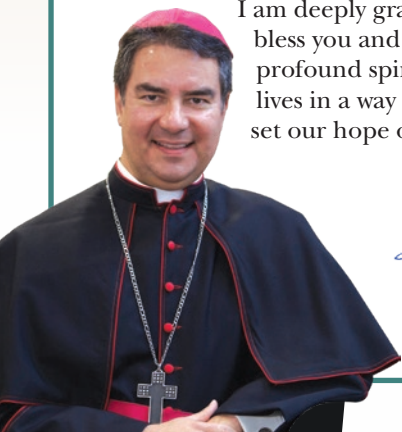
By participating in the ADA, you directly impact ministries that bring Christ's hope to the world. Your generosity enables essential diocesan ministries that have impact beyond the reach of any parish. Your support strengthens and forms the leaders for family, youth, and young adult ministries and it ensures our seminarians receive the guidance and education they need to become faithful shepherds of tomorrow's Church. Additionally, your support helps sustain ministries like pastoral care and spiritual guidance for those in detention, helping them rediscover their dignity as beloved children of God.

I invite you to prayerfully consider how you can support this year's Annual Diocesan Appeal through your sacrificial gifts and intentional prayer. Each gift, no matter the size, makes a difference in the lives of countless individuals and families who rely on the ministry and outreach the diocese offers.

I am deeply grateful for your witness and generosity. May God bless you and your families. May the Holy Spirit bring about a profound spiritual renewal in our diocese, guiding to live our lives in a way that proclaims through our actions that "we have set our hope on the living God" (1 Tim 4:10).

Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Oscar Cantú
Bishop of San José



Your Gifts Make Our Church Stronger! 2025 GOAL: **\$7,325,154**



Know Him

Universal Call to Holiness

35,000+ Masses Celebrated

4,369 Baptisms

3,456 First Communion Children

2,598 Adults and Young People Confirmed

408 Religious Priests, Brothers & Sisters

92 Diocesan Priests

6 Seminarians

570 Hours of Adoration Weekly

217 Hours of Reconciliation Weekly



Love Him

Parish & School Vitality

525,000 Catholics

10,809 Religious Education Students

13,700 Catholic School Students (Pre-K to 12th grade)

154 Adults Enrolled in the Institute for Leadership in Ministry

53 Parishes and Missions



Serve Him

Faith in Action

Over 60 Ministries Serving God's People:

ADULT SPIRITUALITY AND FAMILY LIFE

- Catholic Marriage Preparation
- Natural Family Planning
- Layette Program
- Marriage Ministry Leader Formation

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

- SJSU Newman Center
- Consejo Pastoral Juvenil
- Young Adult Ministry Council

LIFE, JUSTICE, AND PEACE

- Restorative Justice Ministry
- Mental Health Ministry
- Respect Life
- Social and Racial Justice Healing
- Stewards of Our Common Home

FAITH FORMATION

- Development of Parish Catechetical Leaders
- Institute for Leadership in Ministry
- RCIA and Special Education Support
- Pastoral Ministry Formation

YOUTH MINISTRY

- Diocesan Youth Retreats
- Training for Youth Ministers
- High School & Middle School Faith Formation resources

VOCATIONS

- Permanent Diaconate Program
- Seminarian Formation
- Discernment Retreats for young men and women in high school
- Revs vs Sems Basketball games
- Vocations Soccer Cup