Disciples Response FUND APPEAL

Pledge to the Disciples Response Fund

- The Church has a responsibility to teach what Jesus taught. To do so, we need your support.
- There is grace in every decision we make to be generous to the people and the church around us.
- We are all called to different levels of generosity. But we are all called to generosity.
- Jesus understood the complicated challenges we face with financial decisions. He dedicated many of his parables to these issues.
- Use money to bless your family, but please use a portion to powerfully bless the Church of western Kentucky.

Next weekend is Commitment Weekend for the 2019-2020 Disciples Response Fund Appeal.

After your parish reaches its target in cash collected, 50% of all additional funds received are returned to the parish for its ministry.



See back for Commitment Weekend pledge card sample.



2019-2020 Annual Appeal Goal

\$650,000 needs to be raised in this year's Disciples Response Fund Appeal. Please be part of our success.

Missionary Discipleship - \$65,000

Promotes the mission and formation of discipleship efforts of the diocese and the Catholic Church of western Kentucky.

Youth, Young Adult & Campus Ministry – \$72,000

Promotes the Gospel through coordinated activities with young people in the diocese. Provides for FOCUS ministry on Murray State University and Western Kentucky University campuses as well as support for Gasper River Catholic Youth Camp & Retreat Center.

Parish Grants & Charitable Works - \$97,500

Provides grants to financially assist Catholic parishes and organizations to carry out the mission of Christ and help provide for needs of the poor and vulnerable of western Kentucky by providing shelter, nourishment, counseling and education.

Faith and Family Life Enrichment - \$123,000

Continues faith formation endeavors for people of all ages including strengthening Catholic schools education, parish-based religious education, catechist formation, RCIA and family life enrichment.

Clergy & Seminarian Formation – \$292,500

Provides for the intellectual, spiritual and pastoral care, and formation of the priests, deacons and seminarians of the diocese.

Seminarian benefits from the annual appeal



Deacon Stephen Van Lal Than, a seminarian for the Diocese of Owensboro, is a third year theology student at St. Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology in southern Indiana. Dcn. Stephen hails from Myanmar (formerly known as Burma). Dcn. Stephen, along with six other seminarians, is receiving his education and formation at no cost to him through the Seminarian Endowment Fund, which is supported through the generosity of donors to the Disciples Response Fund (DRF). By giving to the DRF, you are supporting the future priests of our diocese.

"It is the Divine Providence that brought me into the Diocese of Owensboro. Words cannot describe how grateful I am to all of you for your support and prayers. Your financial support also means the world to me. God willing, in the very near future, I will become a priest who will minister to all of you. May God bless you all for your generosity! Let us hold each other in prayers."

How You Can Help

There are several ways to provide financial support to the 2019-2020 Disciples Response Fund Appeal:

- One-time gifts or pledges paid over 10 months with reminders sent for your convenience.
- Credit card contributions see information on your pledge card.

What's your Catholic legacy? Please consider including the Disciples Response Fund Appeal in your will or estate plans. For more information, call 270-683-1545.

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All the faithful in the Diocese of Owensboro are invited to participate in the 2019-2020 Disciples Response Fund Appeal. Below is a SAMPLE Commitment Weekend form that will be distributed next weekend at all parish Masses. Please consider a sacrificial gift pledged over 10 months.

May God bless you for your generosity.

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| Circle of Grace \$400.00 \$250.00 | | \$ |
| Other Gifts \$150.00 Other | \$ <u>300.00</u> | Payment Terms One Time Pledge 10 Monthly Payments |