## 2024 Catholic Appeal PASTOR LETTER

An important part of a parish's success is the leadership from the pastor. This year, we are encouraging ALL pastors to sign up for the June pastor letter.



Just send along your parish letterhead and signature, we take care of the printing, mailing and postage.

Attached is a sample letter for your review. You will have the opportunity to edit before final approval in May.

Please complete this form and return by April 15th.

The letter will be mailed June 11<sup>th</sup>, only to parishioners who have not given yet. Pastors will be given the opportunity to review, edit, approve before mailing.

Contact information:
Parish #:
Parish Name:
Pastor/Administrator Name:
Preferred email:

## <u>Pastor's Check List:</u> <u>Please sign me up for the June Pastor letter.</u>

file. (If unsure, please complete and return this document)

I am enclosing three sheets of parish letterhead. (Please note that watermarks or screens on your letterhead will not be reproduced. Letterhead will be printed in black)
My Pastor/Administrator's signature 3 times in black ink is provided. (To be

I have sent the pastor letter in the past. My letterhead and signature are on

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Please complete both sides and return by April 15, 2024

Pastor Signature Page
Pastor / Administrator: 1) Please sign your name three times in the blocks below, using a fine point black Sharpie marker or another fine point heavy black ink pen. PLEASE DO NOT mark the borders of the boxes with any part of your signature:
2) Print your name below, as you would like for it to appear on mailings, including whether you are a pastor or administrator. Example: Rev John Smith, Pastor
Do not fold the paper along any of the signatures.
Please complete both sides and mail to: Amanda Loubier Letter Concepts, Inc. P.O. Box 436 Kensington, CT 06037-0436
Or email scanned copies to Amanda Loubier at Letter Concepts: <u>amandal@letterconcepts.com</u>
If you have any questions, email Arlene at Catholic_Appeal@rcab.org Thank you!

## Your parish letterhead

John and Mary Parishioner 123 Main Street Anytown, MA 01234

Dear John and Mary,

Earlier this year, Cardinal Seán wrote and invited each of us to consider our participation in the Archdiocese of Boston's annual Catholic Appeal. In his letter, he referenced St. Paul's call for us not to grow complacent or weary of doing good. So many of you contribute to our parish in so many ways, ways that signal sacrifice and generosity of spirit. Along with my tremendous pride in being your pastor, I am also mindful of our blessings as a parish community. Together, we share time, resources, and values, and these have shaped *NAME OF PARISH* into a home of faith. I thank you and all those who came before us here for your generous support, a source of shared leadership in making our parish so special.

In addition to serving our parish, our call as Catholics is to serve the Church's universal mission to extend the communion of Christ to the world. Our faith impels us to act together to make a meaningful difference in others' lives. The Catholic Appeal is one important way in which we do this. The Appeal strengthens the Church's many arms, reaching people in all corners and communities.

Who are those people? Those who are hungry, without adequate housing, without access to a Catholic school education. Men who are discerning the priesthood or the diaconate. People who are ill and dying. Parishes, too, benefit directly from the Appeal. Without vocations, we would not have priests. Without training, we would not have religious education programs The lives of thousands of people across our Archdiocese are supported and helped by your generosity.

The power of collective efficacy is real, and its ripple effect is tremendous. When each of us participates in this year's Catholic Appeal, the impact and change we can have on our communities is enormous. **Every** gift affects change, no matter how modest.

I encourage you to join me this year in making a gift to the Catholic Appeal. If you have already made your gift and it has crossed this letter in the mail, please accept my sincere gratitude. Our unified effort is an important part of how we come together as a parish to be Christ's hands and feet for those who need His merciful touch.

In Christ,

Fr. John Smith

Envelope Sample
Mr. and Mrs. John Smith
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A letter from Father Smith