

ONE BREAD one body

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Let us work together in Christ to keep his word alive and burning in our hearts!

The Annual Catholic Offering for Ministries is an opportunity to reflect on how each of us can show our gratitude for what God has accomplished in our lives. Our theme for this year is "One Bread, One Body." We invite you to meditate on the meaning of the word *Eucharist*, our central focus of the Mass. Eucharist comes from the Greek word *eucharistia*, which means thanksgiving, gratitude, giving of thanks. "It is called: Eucharist, because it is an action of thanksgiving to God." (CCC, no. 1328) The Eucharist is the real presence of Christ, the embodiment of His ministry.

How is stewardship a way of saying, "Thank you"? Stewardship is an expression of gratitude to the Lord for the gifts of time, talents & treasure shared with us. Stewardship is sharing what we have for our sisters and brothers, not as a direct exchange of comfort so as to say, "a dollar for a dollar." To give to our community is to sow a seed that will bear fruit and nourish people not only today but tomorrow as well, even for someone unknown to us, in the distant future. Let us give to others as Jesus gave himself totally for us on his Cross. As we journey through this year, let us express our gratitude in every way possible.

Please know of my gratitude to you, especially for your generosity with our Annual Catholic Offering for Ministries.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ *Robert M. Coerver*

Most Reverend Robert Coerver
Bishop of Lubbock



- \$478,000 Evangelization & Family Faith Formation
- \$305,000 Proclaiming the Gospel
- \$271,000 Caring for the Poor and Vulnerable
- \$248,000 Caring for our Clergy

EVANGELIZATION & FAMILY FAITH FORMATION \$478,000

Your Ministries Offering ensures our faith is passed on to all generations. The Diocese trains parish volunteers and leaders while Catholic Schools educate more than 300 students.

Programs & Ministries:

- Marriage and Family Life
- Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry
- Evangelization & Formation
- Catechetical Office
- Campus Ministry
- Catholic Schools
- RCIA



PROCLAIMING THE GOSPEL \$305,000

Your generosity spreads the living Word through digital and print communication. Liturgical celebrations and sacraments are extended to all 25 counties of the Diocese.

Programs & Ministries:

- Liturgy and Worship Office
- Communications



CARING FOR THE POOR & VULNERABLE \$271,000

Every dollar received from the Ministries Offering will directly help the lost, the lonely, the old, the young, the struggling, the searching and those seeking a deeper personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Programs & Ministries:

- Catholic Charities
- Jail Ministry
- Parish Sustenance



FORMING FUTURE PRIESTS & ON-GOING CLERGY SUPPORT \$248,000

Your commitment guarantees the formation of the next generation of priests and leaders of our Diocese.

Programs & Ministries:

- Continuing Formation for Priests
- Seminarian Education
- Vocations
- Deacon Continuing Education
- Vicar for Religious



"We could not be Church; we could not be Christ to one another without your generosity. You are the hope of the Church of the future in the love you pour out now."

— Sister Peggy Szeljack, OV, M.Ed., M.T.S.

Holy Spirit Parishioners

THANK YOU *for your* COMMITMENT!

As a current steward of the Diocese, thank you for keeping your commitment during this challenging year. The Diocese can continue to provide and improve the ministries listed in this brochure, thanks to your generosity.

Thank you for sharing your gifts with us each year.

Please consider the following commitment:

Annual	Monthly (12)
\$2,500	\$208
\$2,000	\$167
\$1,500	\$125
\$1,000	\$83
\$750	\$63



As you can see, your commitment is essential to the Ministries of the Diocese. Not every Catholic has the means to give at your giving level. We hope we can count on your commitment again.



FAQ:

Q: How can I make a commitment if I'm not attending Mass in person?

A: Simply mail in the enclosed commitment envelope or give online at the URL and QR code below.

Q: What is the St. Ignatius Circle?

A: A group of stewards who make continuous monthly contributions. They do not need to fill out a pledge form each year. Check the box on this year's pledge form to join.

Q: How much of my gift goes to the ministries?

A: 100% of your donation goes to the Ministries of the Diocese. Administrative expenses of the diocese are paid by the Cathedraticum from your parish.

HERE TO STEWARD YOUR GIFTS:



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To make a gift to the Ministries Offering,
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