



THE APPEAL

I DO ALL THIS FOR THE
sake of the gospel,
THAT I MAY SHARE IN
its blessings. 1 CORINTHIANS 9:23

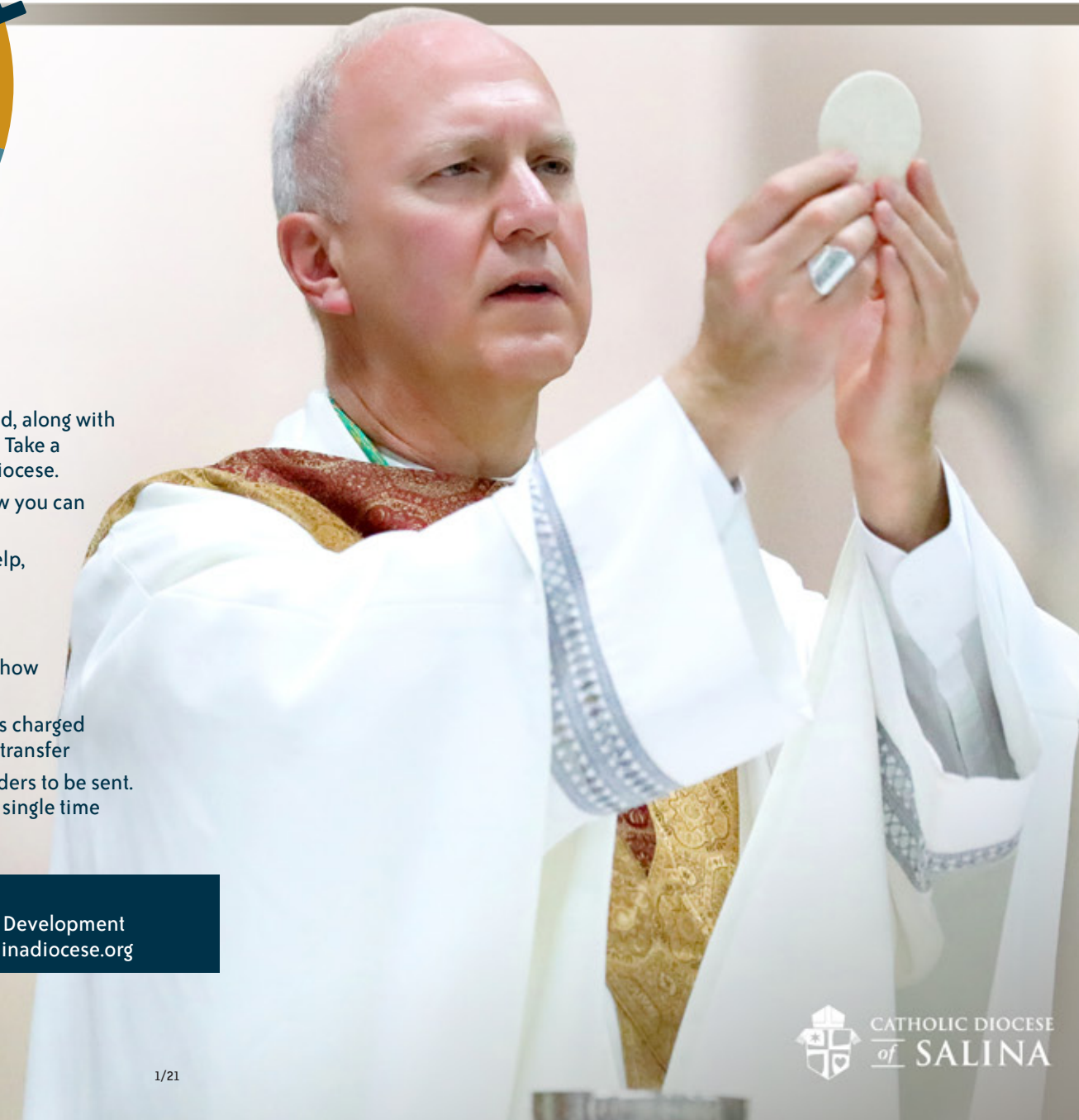
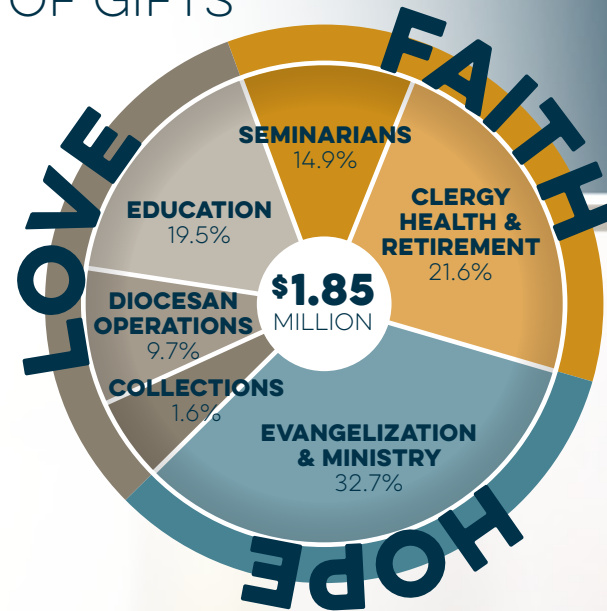
“Our diocese is one family. As Kansas Catholics, we are called to share our gifts with each other as we grow in our one faith. YOU make a difference in people’s lives when you support the Bishop’s Annual Appeal – Call to Share.

As Catholics, as a Church, as a parish, we must recognize Christ’s call to be missionary disciples who witness by faith, hope and love. We express our love of Jesus Christ through our charity, our compassion and our willingness to grow in our mission. The appeal is an opportunity to celebrate God’s good gifts with gratitude and generosity.

I am so grateful for our shared faith and belief in the need for our ministries. I am asking you to prayerfully consider a gift to the Bishop’s Annual Appeal. This year, our goal is to raise \$1.85 million. You are important to the ministries this appeal supports and the people it impacts. Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity.”

~Bishop Jerry Vincke

USE OF GIFTS



Considerations to guide your discernment

Listen and learn – become more informed about what is needed, along with why and where the Bishop’s Annual Appeal funds will be spent. Take a moment to understand its impact on you, your parish and our diocese.

Pray and discuss – spend some time in prayer. Ask yourself how you can join us as a missionary disciple. Discuss it with your family.

Decide and act – once you have discerned how you can best help, act upon your decision.

Ways to help

Every gift makes a difference. Please take a moment to consider how you can best join us in our mission.

- Schedule a regular payment (a set amount each month) that is charged to your credit card or completed through an electronic funds transfer
- Make a pledge with monthly, quarterly or semi-annual reminders to be sent. This allows you to do more than what may be possible at any single time
- Send in a one-time payment that reflects your generosity

For more information, please contact:

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\$675,000

WE WITNESS BY

Faith

“Faith is passed on by contact, from one person to another, just as one candle is lighted from another” (Pope Francis). One way our faith is transmitted across our diocese is through our current and future priests. We are so grateful to our clergy and are committed to supporting them at all stages of their priestly vocation.

Seminary education and formation \$275,000

Today, we are blessed with seven men who are discerning a priestly vocation. Each man enters the seminary for six to nine years of education and faith formation. The average yearly cost to educate one seminarian is over \$50,000.

Clergy healthcare and retirement \$400,000

Today, there are 16 retired priests in our diocese. Additionally, there are 56 active priests currently serving with the Diocese of Salina. The diocese pays a portion of their healthcare costs beyond what the parish contributes.



\$605,000

WE WITNESS BY

Hope

“Ultimate hope is accepting what is beyond our control and believing that God will use the circumstances of our lives to help us grow in holiness” (Fr. J. Michael Sparough). In all things, we grow in holiness. One way that we can grow together is through evangelization and other ministries sponsored by the diocese.



Evangelization and ministry \$605,000

In the Diocese of Salina, we have many ministries that equip individuals to evangelize in the practicalities of daily life.

- Rural Life Ministry – unites the agricultural leaders of the diocese for fraternity and relation by coordinating opportunities for togetherness, prayer and reflection
- Hispanic Ministry – addresses the needs of a strong, emerging community as they adapt to new communities, cultures and environments
- Marriage Tribunal – ensures consistent standards are set and maintained in helping families through marriage difficulties or divorce
- Communications Office – provides inspiring and timely faith content through multiple print and digital platforms
- Office of Worship – creates beautiful opportunities to worship God that are within the directives of the Holy See
- Family Life – honors and respects the importance of family as the domestic Church by facilitating events such as the annual men’s conference, marriage anniversary Masses, etc.

\$570,000

WE WITNESS BY

Love

“When you know how much God is in love with you then you can only live your life radiating that love” (St. Teresa of Calcutta). One of the best ways that we show our love for others is by teaching them how much God loves them. We also can express love through acts of service.

Education \$360,000

The education and formation of children, young adults and adults is a top priority in our diocese.

- Youth services – ensuring that our vibrant, young people have access to fraternal gathering rooted in a shared love of Jesus, such as Prayer and Action and Totus Tuus, is essential to the future of our Church
- Religious education – providing subsidies to all Catholic schools, as well as training and resources to parish religious education programs so that nearly 6,500 young people have the opportunities to learn more about our great faith
- Adult and clergy continuing education – providing classes that enable adults and clergy to continue their pursuit of knowledge of the faith

Diocesan operations \$180,000

The Chancery exists to serve the parishes and lay faithful. A small portion of the Bishop’s Annual Appeal provides for the necessary general operations of the Chancery.

National collections \$30,000

The Catholic faith is universal. We are called to be missionary disciples to people we’ve never even met. One way we do this is through participation in national collections sponsored by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

