

Heavenly Father, we come to You in a spirit of thanksgiving, with the knowledge that all that we have and all that we are comes from You.

Loving and gracious God, You gave us Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Before His disciples received the gift of the Holy Spirit, Jesus said to them: "As the Father has sent Me, so I send you."

We too are disciples of Jesus in the world today. Help us to have the courage and wisdom to live our lives as He did. When we feed the hungry, give shelter to the homeless, comfort the sorrowful, and lift up the lowly, we honor and remember Him.

Lord, bless the mission and ministry of the Catholic Services Appeal. May our gifts to the Appeal be given with a spirit of joy and gratitude.

We make our prayer through Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.