



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings in the Lord! As Archbishop of Louisville, I have the joy of meeting our parishioners living their faith in countless settings across Central Kentucky. In this year alone, I welcomed our newest members at the Rite of Election, visited students at our Catholic schools, ordained five well-trained and formed seminarians into the priesthood, and confirmed hundreds of our young adults, the future of our Church.

Through these experiences I see first-hand the good works that the annual Catholic Services Appeal makes possible, drawing the people of our Archdiocese closer to Jesus Christ. The theme of the 2024 Appeal is “**As the Father has sent Me, so I send you.**” With these words, Jesus compels each of us to be his hands and feet in the world today. The annual Appeal gives us an opportunity to do this by funding ministries and services that bring His love to others.

These ministries include programs to support faith formation at all ages, to strengthen families, to promote a culture of life, to care for creation, to engage youth and young adults, to sustain our clergy and those preparing for priesthood, and to assist those in need.

**We need your help** to make all of this possible and to support the slowly yet certainly growing number of seminarians in the Archdiocese. In addition, I am excited to share that an anonymous donor has pledged **\$75,000** to offer a challenge that will match gifts made to the Seminarian Education Fund through the Catholic Services Appeal. This tremendous donation means that **your gift to support our seminarians will be doubled!**

Donations may be shared securely online at [www.ArchLou.org/CSA](http://www.ArchLou.org/CSA) or by returning the enclosed response form in the envelope provided.

We are called to live our faith in so many ways. I ask you to join me in participating joyfully and generously in the Appeal, with the knowledge that in doing so, we enter more fully into the work of Christ and the mission of discipleship given to us by our Lord. Your donation, at any level, will have a lasting impact on the lives of so many. You and your loved ones are in my prayers daily. I ask for your prayers for me as well.

Know that I remain,

Sincerely in the Lord,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shelton J. Fabre". The signature is written in a cursive style and is preceded by a small cross symbol.

Most Reverend Shelton J. Fabre  
Archbishop of Louisville