

THE 2024 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

*** April 15, 2024 Update ***

Dear parishioners and friends in Christ,

As we all know, Bishop **Luis Rafael Zarama** is the 6th bishop of the Diocese of Raleigh. He continues The Bishop's Annual Appeal (BAA) which had been initiated by the late Bishop Gossman to raise funds to support the work of the Diocese of Raleigh. Thus the **2024** Bishop's Annual Appeal (BAA) is conducted in every parish throughout the diocese to help finance various activities and programs of the Catholic Church in the eastern part of North Carolina.

The BAA reminds us that we are one with other parishes in our diocese and the diocese itself. The BAA gives us a chance to work together to care for the people of the church by sharing the gifts that God has given us. **We are one faith, one family.**

There is an abundance of human need surrounding us—the poor, the sick, the elderly, troubled families, the disabled, and those in crisis.

The Bishop's Annual Appeal gives us an opportunity to respond to those in need and to show Christ's love by putting our ***faith in action*** as a diocesan family. The diocesan agencies and programs supported by the BAA help with both spiritual and physical needs and go beyond what an individual parish can accomplish alone.

The 2024 BAA goal for our parish is \$148,271.00.

As of April 15, **571** families have pledged **\$183,059.00**, helping us to reach **123%** of goal. So far, we have fulfilled (paid) **\$164,747.00** of our BAA pledges.

Your BAA pledge is part of your personal commitment to Christian Discipleship giving thanks to God by returning a portion of the blessings God has given you. Thousands of people, many programs and agencies, your parish and your diocese need your help. Please plan to make your pledge to the BAA.

Be Christ for others... pledge a generous gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

God bless,

Fr. Thanh