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***“Let us Share the Gifts we have been Given.”***

I am so pleased that the theme of this year’s Annual Eparchial Appeal focuses on sharing the gifts that God has given us, calling us to be more and more like Jesus for others.

It wasn't the nails in His hands and feet that held Jesus to the Cross. It was the love for all humanity that caused Jesus to endure the cross. The Annual Eparchial Appeal gives us the opportunity to follow His example by sharing some of our gifts given to us so that the Eparchy can continue to provide services that will be of benefit to all the Faithful of the Eparchy.

With your help and generosity, the Eparchy can continue to work towards maintaining and enhancing the services it provides to the Parishes. And as stewards, we joyfully worship God by giving back to Him from what we have earned so that the Eparchy can continue to do meaningful work to help us inherit God’s kingdom.

In Matthew 25:14-30, Jesus told His listeners a parable about a wealthy man who left three servants in charge of substantial sums of money. To each one, he gave the instruction, “Put this money to work until I come back”. This important parable illustrates the value God places on stewarding properly and faithfully the resources that He gives those who trust in Him. We, like the servants, have been entrusted with substantial resources, and have been instructed to “put this to work until I come back.”

I cannot say ***“THANK YOU”*** enough for your support of past Appeals. The Annual Eparchial Appeal is an opportunity to come together as an Eparchy to serve each other, and your participation is crucial. Let us follow Christ’s example to serve each other and our community.

+Most Rev. Lawerence Huculak, OSBM

Apostolic Administrator Eparchy of Saskatoon

As we embark on our 8th Annual Eparchial Appeal, we would like to share with you the results of the past seven Annual Eparchial Appeals.

* Total Annual Eparchial Appeal Funds Raised over the 7 years $1,155,790
* Average per Year $ 165,107
* Amount allocated to Parishes/Missions Exceeding their Appeal Goal $ 151,565
* Average per Year $ 21,652
* Amount Disbursed to the Eparchy of Saskatoon to fund Eparchial Ministries $ 808,882
* Average per Year $ 115,555
* Allocation of Eparchial Appeal Funds Raised towards Eparchial Ministries/Eparchial Organizations
* Ukrainian Catholic Religious Education Centre $ 412,409
* Family and Life Office Ministry $ 150,843
* Youth and Young Adult Ministry $ 95,529
* Communications Office $ 135,581
* Bishop Roborecki Foundation $ 19,389
* St. Matthew Clergy Society $ 54,636
* Livestreaming Liturgical Services Initiative $ 11,198
* Eparchy of Saskatoon – 2020 Annual Eparchial Appeal $ 4,540

**Total $ 884,125**

* Number of Parishes/Missions Participating in the Annual Eparchial Appeal
* Number of Parishes/ Missions in the Eparchy – 7 Year Average 72
* Number of Parishes/ Missions Participating in the Appeal per year – 7 Year Average 45
* Percentage per year– 7 Year Average 62%
* Number of Parish Families Participating in the Annual Eparchial Appeal
* Number of Parish Families in the Eparchy – 7 Year Average 2,849
* Number of Parish Family Units Participating in the Appeal per year – 7 Year Average 721
* Percentage per year– 7 Year Average 25%

Parishes/Missions have also benefited from other Foundation fundraising initiatives and grant programs. Including the **$151,565** rebated back to the Parishes/Missions through the Annual Eparchial Appeal Rebate Program, Parishes/Missions/Eparchial Organizations have received **$272,500** from the Ukrainian Catholic Foundation through the Grant Fund and the “Share the Spirit” 50/50 Lottery Designated Beneficiary programs. We are pleased to be able to share these funds with the Parishes/Missions and Eparchial Organizations.

Of course, none of this would be possible without the generous support from our Parish Families. The Foundation extends a very heartfelt ***THANK YOU*** for your support and prayers. We entreat and ask you to ***PLEASE*** continue to support the Foundation and the Eparchial Ministries through the ***2023 Annual Eparchial Appeal.***

If you wish to donate online through the Foundation’s website, please scan the QR code with your mobile device to link you directly to our website.