My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

You are the light of Christ in our community. I am humbled and inspired by your generous response to our 2022 HOPE Appeal. Since September, over 17,000 individuals and families in our diocese have come together as one Church to answer the call, "You are the light of the world. Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." — Matthew 5:14,16

I see God's light in the smiles of our children as they learn about the love of Jesus in our Catholic Schools and our parish catechetical programs. I see the glowing and comforting presence of Christ as a chaplain sits bedside and assures a person that the Lord is present and they are loved. I see Christ's light grow as families are welcomed with respect and grace as they receive necessities at Catholic Charities.

I am pleased to present this report in appreciation for your gifts, while also recognizing our responsibility as stewards of the gifts entrusted to us. Again, I want you to know that 100% of your contribution goes toward the stated case of support as outlined in this report.

I will remember you and your intentions in my prayers and Masses. I ask you to please remember in your prayers the people we are blessed to serve and me in my unworthy service to the people of this great diocese.

In the Name of Jesus,
Most Reverend Douglas J. Lucia
Bishop of Syracuse

Questions? Please contact Beth Lynn Hoey, Executive Director of the Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse at (315) 472-4647 or bhoey@syrdio.org.
Campus Ministry

"The first time I came to campus ministry, I was amazed by the community and the sense of belonging. Father John is an incredible leader, and I can't believe how quickly I feel like I'm a part of the community." —Natalie, SUNY Cortland

Child and Family Catechesis

"Thanks to the Catechesis Program and funding from the Hope Appeal, I was able to take classes which helped me grow as a teacher. The support and guidance from my instructors was invaluable." —Elaine, St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church, Chadwicks

Catholic Schools

"Catholic education is a powerful tool that helps students develop their faith and moral character. The programs offered at our schools provide a solid foundation for a successful future." —Mary Ann Knapp, St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church, Chadwicks

Social Media

"We use social media to connect with our community and share important messages about our mission and values. We strive to be a voice of hope and encouragement for all who follow us." —Faith Formation

Sacramental Preparation

"Through the Sacramental Preparation program, individuals are prepared to receive the seven sacraments and become active participants in the life of the Church." —Sacramental Preparation

Faith Formation

"Faith Formation is a vital part of our parish community. It provides opportunities for individuals to explore their faith, deepen their understanding of the Church's teachings, and grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ." —Faith Formation

Catholic Charities

"We serve 40% of the population of Chenango County. We realized we needed a place where people felt valued and dignified and welcomed when they came in. We are grateful for the support that keeps our doors open." —Robin Cotter, Executive Director of Catholic Charities of Chenango County

Catholic TV

"Catholic TV is a powerful tool for reaching people with the message of the Gospel. It allows us to share the beauty of our faith with a wider audience and inspire others to grow in their relationship with Jesus." —Catholic TV

Hospital Ministry

"We feel blessed every day by bringing Christ, whether by word or by sacrament, to those in the hospital who are asking to encounter Him at such a critical time." —Deacon Bill Fitzpatrick

Adolescent Catechesis & Discipleship

"Adolescent Catechesis & Discipleship is a dynamic and engaging program designed to teach and inspire children and youth about their faith. It is a vital part of our mission to reach young people where they are and help them grow in their relationship with Jesus." —Deacon Ade Ademoyo and Deacon Paul Heiland