

2026 Catholic Charities Appeal | In-Pew Commitment Weekend

Optional Script for Parishes

My friends,

This weekend, **February 21st and 22nd**, we will celebrate **In-Pew Commitment Weekend** for the **2026 Catholic Charities Appeal**, which is one of the most important fundraising efforts for the Catholic Church of Philadelphia. At its heart is the mission of “Giving Hope to All” — sustaining charitable ministries that benefit 1 in 5 people across our five-county region.

I want to begin by saying **THANK YOU** to those who have already made a gift. Your generosity truly matters. It strengthens more than 100 charitable ministries and service programs that bring Christ’s love to every corner of our community, and I am deeply grateful for each response. As our parish participates this year, we will continue to share how our parishioners are responding and the good being accomplished together.

Through your support, children are welcomed into Catholic schools, families receive vital food assistance, elderly neighbors are supported with dignity, and retired and infirmed priests are upheld with gratitude. One of these ministries is especially close to my heart... [**SPEAK ABOUT THE MINISTRY AND WHY IT IS IMPORTANT TO YOU**].

If you have not yet had the chance, I invite you to consider making your gift today. **Every gift matters, no matter the size.** Through your support of CCA, you strengthen our local Church and our shared mission to serve others as a reflection of Christ’s compassionate love — **often our own neighbors, right here in our community.**

Thank you for your faith, your kindness, your prayerful consideration, and your generosity. Pledge envelopes are available [**INSERT LOCATION**]. You may also scan the QR code found in the brochure, on the poster, and in the pews.