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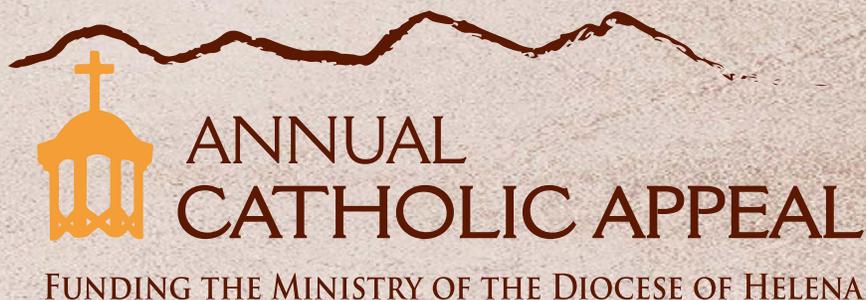
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*~ Mary, Mother of God*

# LITURGICAL GUIDELINES

KICK-OFF WEEKEND — OCTOBER 6 & 7

IN-PEW COMMITMENT WEEKENDS — OCTOBER 14 - NOVEMBER 18



DIOCESE OF HELENA  
**LITURGICAL GUIDELINES**  
2018 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Twenty-Seventh and Twenty-Eighth Sundays of Ordinary time, Year B  
October 6/7 ~ October 13/14, 2018

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**I**t is not good to be alone. With these words we begin our annual reflection on ministry, relationship and caring love. We daringly remember that in truth we are all one flesh bearing the hope and struggle, life and spirit of one another in every place, all made in God's image breathing the very breath of our loving creator.

During these days we long for the spirit of wisdom to hold and change us, to renew our vision, restore our church and sustain us in faith, hope and love.

We hear again the cry of too many children, some still young and others whose faces are wrinkled with pain and struggle as we dare to remember that it is not good that they remain alone. We hear Jesus, with a troubled voice, speak words which echo through the generations, "Let the children come, do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

We hear God calling us to ministry, relationship and caring love, yet cannot forget how hard it is these days to find our way to the dwelling place of God. We see, hear and feel "what is lacking" in so many ways, both in others and in ourselves. Yet we still remember that it is not good to be alone and we choose not to go away, as we dare to pray and plead that the spirit of wisdom will come to us and to the whole Church. We still "believe in Him."

We remember that God's call today is living, effective and sharp, penetrating between soul and spirit, bone and marrow, "able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart" so much so that everything is exposed to the one "to whom we must render an account." Do we not feel the truth of those words?

It is not good to be alone! The "water jars" of need and longing, disappointment, hurt and loss are filled, waiting for a new transforming spirit, a caring generosity, and a loving heart. Water jars waiting to be transformed by those who "believe in Him," choosing to hope, to give, and to follow the one whose voice echoes through the generations. Water waiting to be changed into a new wine of compassion, justice and joy to sustain us, our Diocese and the whole world in faith, hope and love. Waiting so that the cup of our plenty will be poured out and shared and the bread of our life will be broken and given. Let the words of Mary, mother of our Lord, sustain us as we wait:

**"DO WHATEVER HE TELLS YOU."**

**NOTE:** The above "introduction" could be read following the Prayer After Communion (during the "announcement time") on the weekend of September 29/30 as a preparation for the Annual Catholic Appeal beginning October 6/7.

The presentation of the **Annual Catholic Appeal** is done in the context of the Liturgical Season, the Ordinary Sunday Liturgy, and the Scripture of the given Sunday.

## LITURGICAL MUSIC SUGGESTIONS 2018

Twenty-Seventh and Twenty-Eighth Sundays ~ October 6/7; 13/14

### Psalmody:

Psalm 128: May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives. (27<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

Psalm 90: Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy. (28<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

Setting of the Sunday in *Respond and Acclaim and in Worship, Fourth Edition*.

Additionally,

#### From OCP:

Setting of the Sunday by John Schiavone, *A Lectionary Psalter*, p. 172 and p. 175.

Lyric settings for each psalm found in BB/MI #811 and BB/MI #783 [verses 3 & 4] and other OCP resources.

#### From GIA:

Setting of each Sunday by Michel Guimont in *Lectionary Psalms*, #140 and #143;

setting of Psalm 128 and Psalm 90 by Joseph Gelineau in *Lectionary Psalms*, # 949 and #952.

Lyric setting for Psalm 128 found in *Worship* #101 and *Gather* #86 by Marty Haugen;

Alternate setting for Psalm 90 found in *Worship* #67 by Conception Abbey (Grail translation)

#### From Liturgical Press, Collegeville, MN:

Setting of each Sunday in *Psallite, Year B*, B-175 and B-178. (Additional psalms for each Sunday also available beginning at A-174.

**Hymns and Songs:** Both OCP (*Today's Liturgy*) and GIA (*GIA Quarterly*) provide excellent planning resources for each Sunday of the year. While the Gospels of both Sundays might lead us to choose music that focuses on various aspects of marriage, it is important to sing of the larger challenge that "it is not good to be alone," that we are called to care for one another, for our earth and to be attentive to our stewardship. Particularly helpful might be the following:

**OCP:** From *Breaking Bread/Today's Missal* 2018 (also included in other OCP resources):

BB #618, *Laudato Si'! Be Praised, O God*

BB #482, *God Is Love*

BB #424, *All the Earth*

BB #353, *One in Body, Heart and Mind*

BB #473, *Endless Is your Love*

BB #575, *In the Day of the Lord*

**GIA:** From *Worship, Fourth Edition* and *Gather, Third Edition*.

W #662, *Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life*

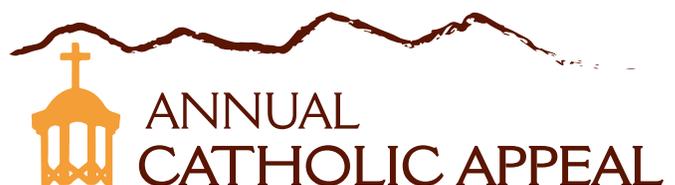
G #850, *All Are Welcome*

W #713, *Eye Has Not Seen*

W #794, *To Be Your Presence*

W #747, *What Does the Lord Require*

W #778, *For God Risk Everything!*



**THE FIRST SUNDAY: The Twenty-Seventh Sunday Ordinary time.  
October 6/7  
INTRODUCTION OF THE 2018 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

### **Introductory Rites.**

Please refer to the **Leader's Guide**, page 6

#### **Prior to the gathering hymn and procession:**

- ❖ Chairperson of the Parish Annual Appeal Committee (or the pastor, or other designated person) introduces the appeal using the suggestions provided on **page 6** of the **Leader's Guide**. (The suggestions provided on **page 6** for "after the homily" may also be used as part of the Introduction.)
- ❖ Following the introduction the **recorded message from Monsignor O'Neill** is played as an "introduction to the Liturgy."  
**A WORD OF CAUTION:** The CD or tape should be used only if there is a very good sound system in the church, so that all will be able to hear the message clearly. If such a system does not exist, then the message should be read by someone specially designated and prepared.
- ❖ **It is important that someone introduce the tape and indicate that this is the beginning of the 2018 Diocese of Helena Annual Catholic Appeal:  
BELIEVE IN HIM.**
- ❖ **Note: the taped message is not used as the homily of the Mass.**

#### **CALL TO SILENCE**

Following the recorded message there is a **period of silence before the gathering hymn** begins. After a time the procession enters in the usual manner.

NOTE: If a parish "witness speaker" is present that person's presentation may be given at this time, OR ***following*** the **Prayer After Communion**. ***This presentation does not replace the homily, occur as part of the homily or follow the homily*** (c.f. Leader's Guide, **page 11 & 12**)

*Following the Greeting...*

**Presider:**                    **The word of the Lord weaves through our lives  
like the autumn colors of God’s abundant love,  
as we long to do whatever he tells us.**

**Let us acclaim the risen Christ,  
trusting in his loving mercy.**

*Deacon, if present, leads the following invocations.*

**Priest/Deacon:**    **LORD JESUS,  
You bear our weakness and carry our sorrows:  
Lord, have mercy**

**ALL:**                    **LORD, HAVE MERCY**

**Priest/Deacon:**    **CHRIST JESUS,  
You “join us together” in a covenant of love.  
Christ, have mercy**

**ALL:**                    **CHRIST, HAVE MERCY**

**Priest/Deacon:**    **LORD JESUS CHRIST,  
You call us to “come to you” and believe.  
Lord, have mercy**

**ALL:**                    **LORD, HAVE MERCY**

**Priest:**                **May almighty God have mercy on us,  
forgive us our sins  
and lead us to everlasting life.**

**ALL:**                **AMEN.**

*The Gloria follows...*

## **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD** Twenty Seventh Sunday, October 6/7, 2018

The connection among the various themes present into today's scripture is clear when viewed through the lens of the psalm: "May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives." We are all the ones blessed and created in the image and likeness of God. We are the ones made not to be alone, called to walk in God's ways—that is the Lord's blessing upon us! We are the ones who despite everything bind ourselves with Christ and with all who are our brothers and sisters. We are the ones who are to embrace the ways of God with the wonder and hope of a little child. To do this is to walk in God's ways. This is doing what Christ tells us. This is the belief in Christ which spurs us to generous action and faithful love and service.

### **Reflections for the preparation of the HOMILY, Twenty-Seventh Sunday-B**

- ❖ Recall the Gospel story of Jesus changing water into wine (John 2:1-11).
- ❖ Jesus begins his ministry at a wedding feast—the celebration of a covenant of love, the same covenant reflected in today's gospel: *"What God has joined no human being must separate."*
- ❖ This covenant relationship reflects both the vision and the work in which we are to engage as a community of faithful believers. Both Gospels are more than stories about marriage, they are about the "command" of God the Creator announced in the Book of Genesis today: It is not good to be alone.
- ❖ In a very real sense the Word of God we hear binds the human family into a covenant of love, a holy communion of life. It could be said that we are all of one flesh, all sharing the breath of God. What God has joined together, no human being must separate.
- ❖ It is not good to be alone. With these words we begin our annual reflection on ministry, relationship and caring love. We daringly remember that in truth we are all one flesh bearing the hope and struggle, life and spirit of one another in every place, all made in God's image, breathing the very breath of our loving creator.
- ❖ This vision, we hear today, must be embraced and trusted with the heart and wonder of children, so filled with hope, spirit and joy. This, the Gospel tells us, is the only way we can enter the ways of God, the only way we can truly follow Christ.
- ❖ The challenges facing the Church today, the doubt instilled, the scandal felt and the trust broken need to be named and faced. Change and transformation must happen soon and the hard work of restoring the covenant of faithful love must be done like the way God "put the man to sleep" and created a new human family. As we remember the needs and gifts of our local Church through the Annual Catholic Appeal, we heed again the words of Bishop Thomas: "With our now watery eyes and wrinkled skin, we say in one voice, 'Let justice come, but the truth be heard.'"  
Bishop George Leo Thomas, Diocese of Helena "Healing Journey:" September-October 2015
- ❖ It is not good to be alone and we choose not to go away, as we dare to pray and plead that the spirit of wisdom will come to us and to the whole Church. We still "believe in Him."
- ❖ With the hopeful and wonder-filled eyes of children we can see six large water jars and a quiet voice commanding, "fill them with every need and longing, every disappointment and loss, every hope and promise; fill them with the best of your humanity, your love and your care; fill them with your gifts, sacrifice, and loving service. Then bring them to me! Remember it is not good to be alone," you are all sisters and brothers.
- ❖ Changing water into wine: this is the task and the vision of the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal.

### **Following the Homily...on the Twenty-Seventh Sunday, October 6/7:**

***Please refer to the LEADER'S GUIDE, page 6. If the suggestions given on page 5 of the Leader's Guide were not completed as part of the Introduction prior to the beginning of Mass, they could be done following the homily, though they would be more appropriate as part of the Announcements at the end of Mass (following the Prayer After Communion).***

## GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Annual Catholic Appeal **INTRODUCTION SUNDAY—Twenty-Seventh Sunday, October 6/7, 2018**

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Priest: ***“In faith, with hope, through love” we pray,  
ready to do “whatever he commands:”***

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*The following intercessions may be added to the regular parish prayers of intercession.*

### ***FOR THE CHURCH***

**FOR THE PARISHES AND PEOPLES OF THE DIOCESE OF HELENA  
and the people of our own city/town of \_\_\_\_\_;  
and our own parish of \_\_\_\_\_;  
May we, with the whole Church,  
not be ashamed to call the many our sisters and brothers.  
We pray to the Lord.**

*(This prayer could be repeated on all the Sundays of October, November and December)*

**FOR ALL WHO ARE SERVED THROUGH THE MINISTRY OF THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL:  
that attentive to the needs of all, we may faithfully bring them the good news  
of salvation, remembering that “it is not good to be alone.”  
We pray to the Lord.**

*(This prayer could be repeated on all the Sundays of October, November and December)*

**FOR ALL WHO BEAR THE GIFT OF FAITH AND SHARE THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH:  
“Let justice come but the truth be heard.” May the healing Spirit  
transform and renew the Church here and in every place.  
We pray to the Lord.**

### ***FOR THE WORLD***

**FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN “DISMISSED,” SET ASIDE OR FORGOTTEN:  
May we who have been called to “bear witness to our Christianity,”  
not leave them alone but “let them come to us” and teach us how to see.  
We pray to the Lord.**

**FOR ALL PEOPLES OF THE WORLD:  
May we who choose to believe in Christ celebrate the richness of our diversity  
and our deeper unity as children of the one God  
and members of the one human family.  
May we learn to do whatever Christ commands us.  
We pray to the Lord.**

**CONCLUDING PRAYER...**

**Priest:**

Loving Father,  
we believe in your greatness,  
and our spirit rejoices, for you have created us and you love us.

We are blessed by your tender care and holy presence in our life.  
We thank you, loving God, for mercy, for protection, for dispelling the darkness  
and for accompanying us on our journey.

We believe in the promises you have made.  
Like all disciples we believe in faith, with hope, and through love  
that eternity awaits those who believe in your Son and respond to His love.  
And so we can say: Here we are Lord, we come to do your will.

We make our prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God forever and ever.

AMEN.

2018 Annual Catholic Appeal Stewardship Prayer (adapted for the Liturgy)



*Presentation of the Gifts...*

The presentation of the gifts of bread, wine and the money offerings must always be done with a sense of deliberateness and care, since this is the sacrificial offering of the people, representing what they need for life. The gifts given by God are returned to God and God, from the gifts given, offers to us and the whole church the very body, blood, life and spirit of his Risen Christ.

*“Receive our oblation, O Lord, by which is brought a glorious exchange,  
that, by offering what you have given, we may merit to receive your very self.”*

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**THE SECOND SUNDAY: The Twenty-Eighth Sunday Ordinary time.**  
**October 13/14, 2018**  
**COMMITMENT TO THE 2018 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

### **Introductory Rites.**

Prior to the gathering hymn and procession, at the time Mass is scheduled to begin:

- ❖ A brief musical prelude or choral arrangement may be appropriate;
- ❖ Chairperson of the Parish Annual Appeal Committee (or the pastor, or other designated person) introduces commitment to the **Annual Catholic Appeal** using the text provided on **page 8 & 9** of the **Leader's Guide**. Also note the ACA Speaker's Talk and Additional Talking Points on **pages 11&12** of the **Leader's Guide**.
- ❖ Care is taken to review the vision for the annual appeal *as noted in the provided text*;
- ❖ It is highly recommended that the cards and pencils be available prior to the beginning of Mass either in the pew pockets or in baskets at the end of each pew or row of chairs. If however the cards and pencils have not already been placed in the pews/chairs, the ushers or other designated persons distribute the cards to ALL in the assembly at this time (make certain there are more ushers than usual in order to expedite the distribution.)
- ❖ The people are reminded of the importance of the Appeal and the significance of their response. **Remind them that all will be asked to respond following the Liturgy of the Word and the homily as a response to God's word.**

### **CALL TO SILENCE**

Following the introduction and reminder **all are called to a period of silence** as preparations are made for the Introductory Rites of the Liturgy.

NOTE: If a parish "witness speaker" is present that person's presentation may be given at this time, OR ***following*** the **Prayer After Communion**. ***Their presentation does not replace the homily, occur as part of the homily or follow the homily*** (c.f. Leader's Guide, **pages 11 & 12**).

*Following the Greeting...*

Priest: **In the midst of autumn's harvest  
we long to believe in Christ, wanting to do all that he commands.  
  
Trusting in God the Father's forgiving love  
we remember our need for healing.**

*There is a moment of silent reflection.*

Priest/Deacon: **LORD JESUS,  
You are the wisdom of God  
from whom "all good things come:"  
Lord, have mercy**

ALL: **LORD, HAVE MERCY**

Priest/Deacon: **CHRIST JESUS,  
You are the Word of God  
from whom nothing is concealed:  
Christ, have mercy**

ALL: **CHRIST, HAVE MERCY**

Priest/Deacon: **LORD JESUS CHRIST,  
You are the priceless gift, the eternal treasure.  
Lord, have mercy**

ALL: **LORD, HAVE MERCY**

Priest: **May almighty God have mercy on us,  
forgive us our sins  
and lead us to everlasting life.  
AMEN.**

**The Gloria follows**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD **Twenty-Eighth Sunday, October 13/14, 2018**

*The Scriptures this Sunday confront us with the need to make choices—choices for God, choices with and for our sisters and brothers, choices to belong, to be present. The Word also reminds us that no significant choice is without its price. Choices change us. To belong, to be present, and to persevere will always cost us something. To serve and to believe does carry a price. To give requires sacrifice. But we are reassured that to belong, to be present, to serve, to sacrifice and to hope, will be richly rewarded in ways we cannot begin to imagine. This is what fills us with the love of the Lord, and lets us sing a new song of joy. This is what changes us, the church and in the end, the world.*

### Reflections for the preparation of the HOMILY, Twenty-Eighth Sunday-B

- ❖ Last Sunday with the hopeful and wonder-filled eyes of children we saw six large water jars, and we heard a quiet voice saying “fill them with every need and longing, every disappointment and loss, every hope and promise; fill them with the best of your humanity, your faith, hope, and love; fill them with the refreshing waters of your gifts, sacrifice, and loving service.
- ❖ Imagine moving toward those large empty jars, asking as you move for wisdom, while singing again the psalm just sung, “Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!” Fill us with your wisdom to mold and change us, renew our vision and sustain us in faith, hope and love.
- ❖ Let your childlike wonder hear another voice echoing through the life, gifts and needs of the human family: “The word of God is living and effective... able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart.”
- ❖ A moment ago someone spoke for us, for each one of us: “What must we do?” “What is lacking?” What are the needs, where are the gifts? “The word of God...penetrates between soul and spirit, joints and marrow.”
- ❖ What must we do? Give for the sake of the many in need, the poor, forgotten, lost and struggling. Give to sustain life in the Gospel; give “*in faith, with hope, through love.*” Give for healing, justice and a renewed spirit.
- ❖ Imagine those large empty jars. Who will fill them? Whose compassionate spirit will move toward them? Who will be merciful? How hard it is to enter the dwelling place of God, the place to find the whole human family in every need and gift, hope and struggle. How difficult to see with the eyes of faith, how hard it is to trust in hope, and what a challenge to act in love in times and days like these.
- ❖ But we remember that it is not good to be alone, and so we choose not to go away; we choose to see and to hear the needs and gifts of so many. We choose to fill those empty water jars. We fill them with what we have been given “*in faith, with hope, through love.*”
- ❖ The words are heard again: “Bring them to me” ...these water jars filled with need and gift, ready to be changed into a new wine of compassion, justice and joy to sustain us, our diocese and the world “*in faith, with hope through love.*” Transformed so that the cup of our plenty will be poured out and shared and the bread of our life will be broken and given.
- ❖ Let the words of Mary, Mother of our Lord, sustain us all as we choose to serve:  
**“DO WHATEVER HE TELLS YOU!”**

Commitment to the  ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL follows the Creed

*Following the homily on the Twenty-Eighth Sunday October 13/14*

## **Commitment to the Annual Catholic Appeal 2018**

**Please note pages 8-9 of the LEADER'S GUIDE (Commitment Weekend Solicitation Guidelines)**

- ❖ Following the Homily there is a **period of silence**.
- ❖ After a time the priest stands and leads the **Nicene Creed**.
- ❖ Following the creed he says the following:

**Priest: In a moment we will pray for the world.  
Now we take a time to act in prayerful generosity  
as we respond to the Word of God through our participation  
in the 2018 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL.**

**Please be seated.**

If someone other than the presiding priest, the person designated to lead the renewal then comes forward.  
**This should be done from a place other than the ambo/pulpit.**

The people are led through the renewal using the materials and instructions provided on **pages 8-9 of the LEADER'S GUIDE.**

The response card is clearly explained and adequate time is provided for the response.

**THE PRESIDING PRIEST, DEACON/S AND MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY ALL FILL OUT THE CARD.**

During this time INSTRUMENTAL music may be provided.

When all have responded:

**Priest: Having been filled with the wisdom of God we prepare  
to offer our gift, "bearing witness to our shared Christian faith."  
We return to God what God has given us.  
LET US RISE AND PRAY.**

**The General Intercessions then begin.**

**Following the intercessions the collection is taken as usual. During the collection appropriate music (instrumental or choral) should be provided.**

**When complete the BASKET of both the Parish Stewardship offerings and the Annual Catholic Appeal offerings/cards should be placed in a prominent place near the altar.**

## GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Annual Catholic Appeal **COMMITMENT SUNDAY—Twenty-Eighth Sunday, October 13/14, 2018**

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Priest: ***“In faith, with hope, through love” we pray,  
ready to do “whatever he commands:”***

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*The following intercessions may be added to the regular parish prayers of intercession.*

### ***FOR THE CHURCH***

**FOR THE PARISHES AND PEOPLES OF THE DIOCESE OF HELENA  
and the people of our own city/town of \_\_\_\_\_;  
and our own parish of \_\_\_\_\_;  
May we, with the whole Church, fill the emptiness of every need and longing  
with the refreshing waters of human dignity, faith, hope and love;  
offering a sacrifice of praise and a gift of loving service.  
We pray to the Lord.**

*(This prayer could be repeated on all the Sundays of October, November and December)*

**FOR ALL WHOM WE SERVE AND LOVE THROUGH THE MINISTRY AND CARE  
OF THE DIOCESE OF HELENA ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL:**

**May they find a new feast of compassion, joy and love;  
and a banquet where all are welcome.**

**We pray to the Lord.**

**FOR THE CHURCH IN THESE DAY OF STRUGGLE:**

**May we embrace Gospel conversion, learning to do  
“all that Christ commands us” to become what we receive,  
the Body and Blood of Christ for the sake of the world.**

**We pray to the Lord.**

### ***FOR THE WORLD***

**FOR THOSE IN THE WORLD WITH WEALTH AND MANY POSSESSIONS:**

**Hearing the cries of the many in need may they respond with love  
and find the one thing they lack: the wisdom of generosity and service.**

**We pray to the Lord.**

**FOR ALL IN THE WORLD WHO LONG FOR THE NEW WINE OF HOPE AND JOY:**

**May we who believe in Christ and seek to do what he commands,  
listen to their cry, respond in love, speak with kindness  
and learn from them wisdom of heart.**

**We pray to the Lord.**

**CONCLUDING PRAYER...**

**Priest:**

Loving Father,  
we believe in your greatness,  
and our spirit rejoices, for you have created us and you love us.

We are blessed by your tender care and holy presence in our life.  
We thank you, loving God, for mercy, for protection, for dispelling the darkness  
and for accompanying us on our journey.

We believe in the promises you have made.  
Like all disciples we believe in faith, with hope, and through love  
that eternity awaits those who believe in your Son and respond to His love.  
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We make our prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God forever and ever.

AMEN.

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## GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

### Annual Catholic Appeal Intercessions throughout the year.

As the liturgical year progresses it is important  
to continue our prayer for the ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL.

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Priest: *The ordinary parish introduction for the Sunday or Season.*

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*The following intercessions may be added to the regular parish prayers of intercession.*

#### General:

1. FOR THE PARISHES AND PEOPLES OF THE DIOCESE OF HELENA  
and the people of our own city/town of \_\_\_\_\_;  
and our own parish of \_\_\_\_\_;  
May we, with the whole Church, “be attentive to the needs of all” and  
through our gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal  
“do what Christ commands.”

**We pray to the Lord.**

*(This prayer could be repeated on all the Sundays of October, November and December)*

2. FOR THOSE WHO SEEK HEALING,  
especially the outcast, the lonely and the forgotten:  
May the sacrifice we offer and the gifts we bring for our parish and  
diocese serve them truly after the example and command of Christ.  
**We pray to the Lord.**

*(This prayer could be repeated on all the Sundays of October, November and December)*

#### November:

THAT OUR MEMORY OF THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US  
will strengthen us with hope as we continue the ministry  
begun at our baptism.  
May our gifts of service and treasure to both parish and diocese  
respond to Christ’s command and shape our belief in him.  
**We pray to the Lord.**

#### Advent/Christmas

FOR ALL WHO WAIT IN JOYFUL HOPE,  
may the light of eager expectation glow  
as we become “neighbor to the oppressed and afflicted”  
and make room for the homeless and poor”  
through our gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal.  
**We pray to the Lord.**

## **FOLLOWING THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

- ❖ If a “witness speaker” is present that person’s presentation may be given ***following*** the **Prayer After Communion** (at the normal “announcement” time). This would be particularly appropriate on “Introduction Sunday,” (October 6/7).
- ❖ Other Annual Appeal Announcements are given following the Prayer After Communion



**DIocese of Helena**

Liturgical Guidelines for the **2018 Annual Catholic Appeal** prepared by Fr. Ed Hislop.  
Music suggestions, Sister Mary Jo Quinn, SCL

*Notes....*



**Believe**  
in *Him*



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