January 2025

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The Diocese of Charleston will soon begin the 2025 Catholic Appeal of South Carolina, whose mission is to strengthen and support the many missions and ministries of the Catholic Church across the state. At my request, David Lorenzatti will, once again, serve as coordinator of Good Shepherd's participation in the Appeal.

The statewide goal of the Appeal is \$5,000,000 and Good Shepherd's goal has been set at \$20,181. In 2024, because of your generosity, our parish raised \$24,687, exceeding our goal by \$7,400, half of which, will be returned to Good Shepherd for our use. Half of any excess over this year's goal will also come back to us.

Every registered household will soon receive a mailing from Bishop Fabbre-Jeune. His message will include information identifying the Diocesan programs that your donations support, along with an envelope for making a one-time gift or a pledge payable over ten months. As the Appeal continues, we will provide updated information in the weekly Bulletin.

I am confident that you will respond generously to the Catholic Appeal again this year. I extend my heartfelt gratitude for your prayers and the generosity shown to our parish and its ministries. And, again, thank you for your gifts, helping to fund the many outreach services of the Diocese that touch the lives of people in all of South Carolina. May God continue to bless you and your loved ones.

Yours in Christ,

Father Jacob Joseph, CMI Pastor