2019-2020
DIOCESAN CATHOLIC APPEAL

Companions on the Journey

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF LUBBOCK
Stewardship Appreciation Dinner Program

5:30 p.m. Doors Open
6:00 p.m. Welcome
Blessing
Thank You
Dinner Service

6:45 p.m. Table Discussion
2019-2020 DCA Goals

8:30 p.m. Spiritual Reflection
2019-2020 DCA Theme and Video
Thank You & Closing Prayer

Please keep the lapel pin as a token of our appreciation for your commitment to the Diocese of Lubbock.

DCA Coordinators: Be sure to pick up your materials.
Thank You

Thank you to our special guests whom the Holy Spirit led to the Stewardship Appreciation Dinners throughout the deaneries. A special thank you to all Bishop’s Guild Level supporters who give $750 or more and are listed by parish in this program.

Snyder Deanery
Holy Cross, Post
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Lopez
Deacon & Mrs. Paul Murillo
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Awtry
Mr. & Mrs. Chris Stelzer
Mr. David Stelzer
Our Lady of Guadalupe, Snyder
Rev. Sahayaraj Arokiasamy
Mr. & Mrs. Freddie Martinez
Mr. & Mrs. Nathan Ramon
Mr. Russell G Mraz
Mr. & Mrs. Mario Morado
St. Ann, Stamford
Mr. & Mrs. Ray Cruz Sr
Mr. Steve Garcia
Deacon & Mrs. Juan Bustamante
St. Elizabeth, Snyder
Rev. Msgr. Arsenio Redulla
Mr. & Mrs. Gomezindo Tovar
Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Clarady
Dr. & Dr. Mike Dunham
Mr. & Mrs. Randy Kubena
Mr. & Mrs. Terry Kubena
Mr. & Mrs. William D. Wilson
Mrs. Vicky Rowland
Mr. & Mrs. Sid Medina
Mr. & Mrs. Alvin Wimmer
Mrs. Carol Bass
St. George, Haskell
Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Musil
St. John, Hermleigh
Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Musil
St. Joseph, Rotan
Mr. Joe Zambrano
Mrs. Rosemary Hindes
St. Michael, Anson
Mr. & Mrs. Frederico Moreno
Mr. A.C. Phillips
Ms. Lupe Phillips
Mr. & Mrs. Tony Munoz
Mr. Michael Moreno
Brownfield Deanery
St. Anthony, Brownfield
Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Garza
Mr. & Mrs. Manuel Gonzalez
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Flores
Mr. & Mrs. Gerson Martmen
Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Valdez
Mr. & Mrs. Jose Carrillo
Mr. & Mrs. Abel Gonzalez
St. Margaret Mary, Lamesa
Mr. & Mrs. Enrique Gonzales
Mr. & Mrs. Johnny Garcia
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Rose
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Arismendez
Ms. Isabel Molina
St. Michael, Anson
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Mr. & Mrs. Manuel Gonzalez
So we are ambassadors for Christ,
as if God were appealing through us. Working together, then,
we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain.
For he says: “In an acceptable time
I heard you, and on the day of salvation I helped you.”
Behold, now is a very acceptable time:
behold, now is the day of salvation.
2 Cor 5:20 - 6:2

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Lamesa
St. Michael, Levelland
Rev. Ernesto Lopez
Rev. Jonathan Phillips
Deacon & Mrs. Juan Cavazos
Mr. Kenneth Miller
Mrs. Beatrice Haynes
Mr. & Mrs. Dixon Moreland
Mr. & Mrs. David Albus
Mr. & Mrs. Ramiro Castillo
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Mrs. Rosemary Hindes
Mr. & Mrs. Tony Isaacs
Mr. Louis Lira
Mr. & Mrs. Garry Gryder
Mr. Alberto Salgado Jr
Mr. & Mrs. Ramiro Franco
Mr. & Mrs. Gonzalo Gonzales
Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Hisel
Mr. & Mrs. Rey Trevino
Mr. & Mrs. Tom Hesse
Mr. & Mrs. Jesse Alejandro
St. William, Denver City
Deacon & Mrs. Angel Hernandez
Mrs. Connie Hallmark
Mr. & Mrs. John V. Lopez
Mr. Cesar Mejorado &
Mrs. Irene Mejorado-Duarte
Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan Pool
Ms. Arlene Brooks &
Miss Philomena Di Gennaro
Mr. & Mrs. Eliseo Rocha Jr
Dr. & Mrs. Jesus Rodriguez
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Velerdez Sr
Mr. & Mrs. Anthony E. Albus
Deacon & Mrs. Sergio Vidales
Mrs. Carylon Veretto
Mr. & Mrs. Lonnie Geisler
Mr. & Mrs. Stephen John
St. Ann, Morton
Mr. & Mrs. James Adams
St. Pius X, O’Donnell
St. Philip Neri, Pep
Mr. & Mrs. Lafayette Demel
Mrs. Marcy Demel
Sacred Heart, Plains
Deacon & Mrs. Ramon Diaz
Mr. & Mrs. Tony Lazos
Mr. & Mrs. Davis Gomez
Mr. & Mrs. Jesus Garcia
St. Francisco de Asis, Ropesville
St. Paul, Seagraves
Charlie & Alicia Espinoza
Luciano & Raquel Vasquez
St. James, Seminole
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Ivy
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Franco
Ms. Norma Sanchez
Dr. & Mrs. Jean-Pierre Letellier
Mr. & Mrs. Joe Martinez
Dr. & Mrs. Wendell Parkey
Mr. & Mrs. Shane Wimmer
Mr. & Mrs. Jose Luis Alvidrez
Dear Companions,

This special letter is being published for the Stewardship Appreciation Dinners throughout the Diocese of Lubbock. Those of you reading this have shared generously with your parish or with the diocese. I appreciate you. Without you both our diocese and your parishes would suffer. You are essential to the success of the Church of West Texas.

We are witnesses of great things happening throughout the diocese by generous lay women and men, women and men in Consecrated Life, deacons and priests. These good works and ministries, deserve to be honored and respected. In honor and respect of you, I promised transparency of DCA spending. In this annual report you’ll find where your 2017-2018 DCA dollars were spent (pages 4-16).

Your continued support is necessary for these works and ministries to continue effectively for years to come. In order to provide the service and ministry which you deserve, I need your help. I need your help in trying to get the diocese on a more stable financial footing. You know that in your own households the task of feeding the flock is not easy, and I must rely upon your generous assistance to help me do just that.

In order to meet the actual need of our diocese, your parish DCA goal has increased (pg 19), and your pastors have expressed concern about those goals. But I am relying on them to work with me in gradually meeting the needs of the diocese. We must stop bleeding red ink, a bleeding which has come to light for me and my collaborators only in the past 2 years. We must start paying down the diocese’s debt on the line of credit, which has sustained us for too many years and is starting to run dry. I believe we can do this together, over time, as Companions on the Journey.

Companions, now is the time to be more generous than ever so that we can accomplish the mission of the Catholic Church in the South Plains.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert M. Coerver
Bishop of Lubbock
Diocese of Lubbock Income
* Audited Figures of 2017-2018

How DCA Dollars are spent per Diocese of Lubbock Division

- **Tribunal**
- **Bishop**
- **Chancellor**
- **Faith Formation**
- **Vicar General**
- **Finance**

**Ambassadors for Christ continued**
Mr. & Mrs. Danny Aguire
Rev. William J. Anton
Mr. & Mrs. David Garcia

**Sacred Heart, Plainview**
Rev. George Poonely
Mr. & Mrs. Jesse Rivera
Ms. Leticia Flores
Mr. & Mrs. Manuel Gonzales
Mr. & Mrs. Hector Hernandez
Mr. & Mrs. Henry Galvan
Mr. & Mrs. Gerardo Gamboa
Mr. & Mrs. Adam Chavez

**St. Alice, Plainview**
Mr. & Mrs. James Crump
Mr. & Mrs. Randy Rainwater
Mr. & Mrs. Scott Horne
Mr. & Mrs. James Bordovsky
Mrs. Evelyn Ball
Mrs. Cheryl Dickerson
Mr. & Mrs. Ricky Howard
Mr. & Mrs. Donald W. Macha
Mr. & Mrs. Leon Heinen
Mr. & Mrs. Mike Lewis
Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Trudeau
Mr. Norbert C Bublis
Mr. & Mrs. John Castro
Mr. & Mrs. Larry Rossi
Mr. & Mrs. Larry Ball
Mrs. Helen Hogge
Mr. & Mrs. Gary Massingill
Mr. & Mrs. Reed Mulliken
Mr. & Mrs. Brian Pohlmeier
Mr. & Mrs. Don Book

**St. Michael, Ralls**
Ms. Lisa Rivera
Ms. Julia Flores
Mr. & Mrs. Zeferino Martinez

**Lubbock Deanery**
**St. Anthony, Anton**
Deacon & Mrs. Tommy Alvarado
Mr. Lucas B. Flores

**St. Philip Benizi, Idalou**
Mrs. Rosie Marmolejo

- **DCA**: Contributions from annual appeal
- **Gifts**: Estate bequests and unique gifts
- **Program Fees**: Registration fees to events and retreats
- **Investments**: Income from restricted investments (usually for seminarians, priests and retirements)
- **Grant**: Restricted income from national and local Foundations

See pg. 5 for more details.
Bishop of Lubbock

The Diocesan Catholic Appeal supports the Office of the Bishop. Bishop Robert Coerver joyfully adds thousands of miles to his Subaru each month by traveling throughout the 23,382 square mile Diocese of Lubbock. He can be found in parishes for celebration liturgies such as parish anniversaries and Confirmations. He’s even been known to surprise his brother priests for a Saturday or Sunday Mass. Bishop also ministers to the six prisons throughout the diocese, offering the Sacrament of Confirmation to inmates each year. As a member of the United States Council of Catholic Bishops, Bishop Coerver is your voice on the national level during USCCB meetings and conferences throughout the year. The Bishops of Texas hold a monthly telephone meeting to ensure they are all working together for all Texas’ Catholics. This department receives no grants or direct contributions.

The Diocese of Lubbock must pay as its allotted portion to the Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) in Washington DC and to the Vatican in Rome, Italy. In 2017-2018 that was $52,702 in support of the Mission of the Universal Church.

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**Vicar General**

Vicar General, Rev. Msgr. David Cruz is the advocate and representative for the priests of the diocese. The Vicar General Division oversees the department of deacons, consecrated life, vocations, and seminarians, and serves on the Catholic Charities Board of Directors. A Vicar General will step in on behalf of the Bishop of Lubbock if necessary.

**Priests** – There are 61 parishes in the Diocese of Lubbock and only 54 priests to support them. The vocation of a priest is one of service and many of our priests must stretch their service across hundreds of miles. The diocese supports priests each year through continuing education and spiritual renewal such as their annual retreat, day of recollection, and assembly meetings. It also provides a portion of support for their sabbaticals. The diocese is able to assist priests from outside the United States in maintaining their proper immigration status. The DCA provides financial support to each of the sixteen religious order priests in our diocese, as well as out-of-the-ordinary expenses for lower resource parishes in cases of emergency. Not only does your contribution help active priests in the diocese, it also supports the livelihood of eighteen retired priests including two bishops. These priests no longer have a parish supporting their salary so it is left to us, through the DCA, to provide for them.

**Consecrated Life** – Some priests and all religious sisters are consecrated to an Order based on their vocational calling. Some orders live in community and others independently live their calling. It is important that these men and women have time to reflect and remember their vocational calling. There are events throughout the year such as Mass, meals and retreats for these special men and women. As Vicar for Consecrated Life, Sister Olivia Rico visits with the consecrated men and women and serves as a bridge between Bishop Coerver and the consecrated men and women who serve the diocese.

Rev. Brian Wood, Director of Clergy Continuing Education Department

**Active Priests**

**Retired Priests**

**Consecrated Women**
- Sister Olivia Rico, OSF, Director of Consecrated Life Department, Sister Frances Alonzo OSF, Sister Kathleen DiMartino OSF, Sister Charlottte Lugan OSF, Sister Caroline Rjino OSF, Sister Celine Thames OSF, Sister Mary Jane Alaniz OSF, Sister Lisa Taylor OSF, Sister Dora Reyes OSF, Sister Pauline Borman OSF, Sister Sharon Bolcing OSF, Sister Martha Delgado OSF, Sister Patricia Esparza OSF, Sister Martha Jane Venhaus OSF, Sister Rosalinda Erispe MSLT, Sister Maria Carmela Macabanti MSLT, Sister Sylvia Salvan MSLT, Sister Donna Canja MSLT, Sister Antonieta Salazar MCSSCJM, Sister Mary Ann Mishurda OSF, Sister Peggy Szeljack, Sister Denise Thompson, Jenna Chang, Sister Jesusa Alcorta, Sister Maura Devlin, Sister Lalemant Pelikan, RSM

**Retired Bishops**
- Most Rev. Michael Sheehan, Most Rev. Plácido Rodriguez, CMF

Please remember in your prayers, the priests and consecrated women who have passed on to the Eternal Kingdom.
Deacons – Deacons are an invaluable resource within the parishes, which is why the diocese is committed to supporting their vocation. Active and retired deacons and wives attend an annual retreat each year in San Angelo. Because there are so many participants, the retreat is held twice to accommodate everyone. Currently there is a deacon class in formation that will be ordained in 2019. They meet monthly with a professor from Assumption Seminary who travels in from San Antonio for their formation process. Deacons are also essential to the jail ministry provided in each deanery as well. Deacon Juan Cavazos oversees the Deacon Department and Deacon Robert Lopez oversees the Deacon Formation.

Active Deacons
Deacon and Mrs. Ramon Almager, Deacon and Mrs. Tommy Alvarado, Deacon and Mrs. Severo Alvarado, Deacon and Mrs. John Bane, Deacon and Mrs. Adam V. Behnke, Deacon and Mrs. Leroy Behnke, Deacon and Mrs. Benny Brito, Deacon and Mrs. Kyle Braderson, Deacon and Mrs. Juan Bustamante, Deacon and Mrs. Rudy Calsoncin, Deacon and Mrs. Randy Canale, Deacon and Mrs. Jesse Cantu, Deacon and Mrs. Kyle Cottenoir, Deacon and Mrs. Ramon Diaz, Deacon and Mrs. Jerry Dueñas, Deacon and Mrs. Jessie Esquivel, Deacon and Mrs. Julian Estrada, Deacon and Mrs. Richard Flores, Deacon and Mrs. Alfredo Franco, Deacon and Mrs. Doroteo Garcia, Deacon and Mrs. Roy Garibay, Deacon and Mrs. Angel Hernandez, Deacon and Mrs. Saul Hernandez, Deacon and Mrs. Arturo Hinojosa, Deacon and Mrs. George Holguin, Deacon and Mrs. Pedro Juarez, Deacon and Mrs. Michael Kenny, Deacon and Mrs. Bill Key, Deacon and Mrs. Israel Limon, Deacon Frank Lopez, Deacon and Mrs. Manuel R Lopez, Deacon and Mrs. Robert Lopez, Deacon Phillip Maldonado Jr, Deacon and Mrs. Manuel Marin, Deacon and Mrs. Joe Martinez, Deacon Dr. and Mrs. Waldo Martinez, Deacon and Mrs. Richard McCann, Deacon and Mrs. Isaac McDonald, Deacon and Mrs. Martin Miranda, Deacon and Mrs. Jose Mora, Deacon and Mrs. Eddie Morales, Deacon and Mrs. Ruben Moran, Deacon and Mrs. Joe Morin, Deacon and Mrs. Valentin Morin, Deacon and Mrs. Paul Murillo, Deacon and Mrs. Jose Fernando Olascoaga, Deacon and Mrs. Pete Padilla, Deacon and Mrs. Max Perea, Deacon and Mrs. Benny Phillips, Deacon and Mrs. René N. Ramon, Deacon and Mrs. Simon Resendez, Deacon and Mrs. Joe Luis Rodriguez, Deacon and Mrs. Ramiro Rodriguez, Deacon and Mrs. Daniel Romo, Deacon and Mrs. Ralph Rosiles, Deacon and Mrs. Nasario Rubalcado Jr, Deacon and Mrs. José Rubio, Deacon and Mrs. Lorenzo Salazar, Deacon and Mrs. Isidoro Saldaña, Deacon and Mrs. Edward L. Sears, Deacon and Mrs. Gary Simmons, Deacon Dr. and Mrs. Steve Tjia, Deacon and Mrs. Daniel Valenzuela, Deacon and Mrs. Enrique Vasquez, Deacon and Mrs. Sergio Vidalos, Deacon and Mrs. Ron Vowels

Retired Deacons
Deacon and Mrs. Aureliano Garcia, Deacon and Mrs. Pedro Garcia, Deacon and Mrs. Ernesto Hernandez, Deacon Frank Ortegon, Deacon and Mrs. Robert Ramirez, Deacon Erasmo Rodriguez

Please remember in your prayers, the deacons and wives who have passed on to the Eternal Kingdom.

You invest in the DCA
The DCA invests in deacons
$10,000 per man for 5 years of Deacon Formation
$1,500 per man each year in Continuing Education

Members of the 1977 Deacon Class

Ambassadors for Christ continued
Mr. & Mrs. George Mayer
Dr. & Mrs. Daniel McGrath
Mr. Stevan Perez
Mr. Jorge A Ramirez
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Rapier
Dr. & Mrs. Carlos Ricaldi
Mr. & Mrs. Abel Siller
Mr. Jim Lambert & Dr. Ann Noble
Mrs. Henrietta Decker
Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell Nitta
Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Baker
Mr. & Mrs. Abel Contreras
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Esparza Jr
Mr. & Mrs. Alexander Toralba
Mr. Chris Velasquez
Mrs. Nell Whitehead
Mr. & Mrs. James Grusendorf
Mr. & Mrs. John Shelby
Mr. & Mrs. Tracy Shelby
Mr. & Mrs. James Mahan
Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Albus
Mr. & Mrs. Tony Lloyd
Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Porter
Mr. Roger Terry
Mr. & Mrs. Tom Pressley
Mr. & Mrs. Brian Beauchamp
Dr. Dolores Buscemi
Mr. & Mrs. Don Hayden
Mr. & Mrs. Patrick C Simek
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Babun
Mr. Jonathan Mannas

St. Joseph, Lubbock
Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Armenta
Mr. & Mrs. Martin Leos Jr
Mr. & Mrs. Ignacio Luna
Mr. & Mrs. Leobardo Nieves
Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Thackrey
Mr. & Mrs. Rudy Rangel

St. Patrick, Lubbock
Mr. & Mrs. Gary Bellair
Mr. Rudy Medrano
Mr. & Mrs. Mark Vasquez
Mr. & Mrs. Alonzo Mejia
**Vocations Activities in 2017-2018**

**Seminarians** – In 2017-2018 four men were in seminary for the Diocese of Lubbock. The summer of 2018, two seminarians attended an intensive Spanish Studies and Ministry Program in Mexico City at the Hispanic seminary of Our Lady of Guadalupe. This program is designed to assist in the formation of seminarians to work with the Hispanic community. Studies are for Spanish language, culture and ministry. Our seminarians were able to join in the daily routine of the seminary and participate in outreach programs to local people. **Seminarians Wesley Beal, Seth Lorenz, Dylan Crowley & Jeremy Trull. Rev. Rene Perez is the Director of Seminarian Department**

**Catholic Charities** – The DCA is able to support Catholic Charities with operating expenses, property insurance, legalities, and health insurance. Catholic Charities receives grants and gifts for their essential and impactful programming, but thanks in part to the DCA their business operations are supported. **Cynthia Quintanilla is the Executive Director of Catholic Charities.**

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The Office of Consecrated Life was administered from the Vocation Office in 2017-2018. Seminarian education was largely covered by grants and invested endowment funds restricted for seminarian education. Your DCA gift supports the finance division which properly stewards the investments and grant funding to provide for Seminarians.
Chancellor

Chancellor Marty Martin and Administrative Assistant Billie Aguirre, wear multiple hats. As Chancellor, Marty Martin is invited to most meetings alongside the Bishop as an advocate for priests and parishes, his office coordinates the immigration of international priests and religious who come to our diocese to assist us in ministry. He also oversees the Communications Department, Jail Ministry and is the Director of the Office for Worship and liaison to the hospitals within the diocese. Billie Aguirre serves as Mr. Martin’s full-time administrative assistant, but also coordinates the diocesan archives and Safe Environment.

Office for Worship – Each year the Office of Worship does the planning of Bishop Coerver’s diocesan Masses and liturgical celebrations. This includes Ordination Liturgies, thirty-plus parish Confirmations, special parish Masses such as anniversaries, liturgical celebrations such as the Rite of Election, and unique diocesan Masses such as the White Mass for healthcare providers and the Red Mass for legal professionals.
Communications – The Communications Department publishes twelve South Plains Catholic newspapers each year. Articles include news and photos from around the diocese. This department logs thousands of miles each year traveling to parish events and capturing your precious memories (historic events). They work with local media on press releases and in sharing newsworthy stories of West Texas Catholics, such as the publication of Bishop Coerver’s statement on Family Separation Immigration Policy in June of 2018 in the Lubbock Avalanche Journal. In 2017 it redesigned the catholiclubbock.org website. It also manages all social media accounts for the diocese such as Facebook, Twitter, etc. Director of Communications is Lucas Flores. His team includes Nicholas Flores, Pat Behnke and Debbie Davis.

Archives – The Archival Department maintains all sacramental records of more than 400,000 Catholics born, raised, residing or buried in the Diocese of Lubbock. This includes baptisms, Confirmations, weddings, deaths, etc. It only maintains records from 1983 to the present. All previous records are in the Amarillo diocese archives. Currently this department is working to digitalize all paper records.

Hospitals – The Chancellor serves as liaison to Covenant Hospital and provides Catholic support to UMC hospital. One Catholic priest is assigned to the hospitals. This priest does not have a parish to care for during their time as chaplain. The DCA supports him in some areas.

Prisons – Deacon Juan Cavazos oversees the new Prison Ministry Department. Originally this department was combined within the Bishop’s Office, the Deacon’s Office and the Catechetical Office. Now with its own department, the DCA provides the specific funding to minister to the men and women who are in need of mercy, guidance and their sacraments. Each year Bishop Coerver administers the sacrament of Confirmation to men and women in the prisons thanks to the year long catechetical teaching and spiritual guidance of deacons and priests.

Safe Environment – The Diocese of Lubbock has required background checks and safe environment training for parish volunteers for decades. In the 2017 fiscal year, the diocese began to transition the in-person training and background paperwork to a digital system Virtus. The process to launch this digital service took significant research, implementation, trials and repairs. For the next five years this process will continue to improve and this department will continue to grow and support the protection of all Catholics. The DCA supports this program in its entirety.

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The Chancellor’s Division does not receive many grants or gifts. A majority of this division funding comes from the DCA.
Evangelization & Family Faith Formation
Sister Peggy Szeljack is the Director of the Evangelization and Family Faith Formation Division. She oversees the Youth Ministry, Young Adult Ministry, and Campus Ministry departments. Also included in her division are the Family Ministry, Marriage Ministry, Catechetical formation as well as Catholic schools. Emily Tann serves as Administrative Assistant to Sister Peggy.

The mission of this Division is:
Through the teaching Office of the Bishop of Lubbock, ministering to the diversity of our diocese:
We support the parents/guardians as the first educators in the domestic Church;
We provide resources to pastors and local faith communities;
We accompany the People of God on their spiritual journey through multigenerational evangelization, catechesis, and formation.

The following events from 2017-2018 are a sample of the all-inclusive nature of the Evangelization & Family Faith Formation Division. Parishes and people are assisted by this division in a variety of ways.

Youth Department
Held Spring Youth Rally which ministered to 24 parishes

35 people (20 teens; 15 parents) attended a Into the Desert Parent/Teen retreat to address how our faith in Christ and relationship with family can be a source of strength to deal with times of emotional and spiritual darkness (i.e. depression, bullying, low self-esteem, etc.)

4 Suicide Prevention nights (Littlefield, Brownfield, Seminole, & Seagraves): parents and teens were given tools to help with being aware of the signs of suicidal ideation among teens and what to do.

Vince Petitjean was the Director of the Youth, Young Adult and Campus Ministry Department in 2017-2018

Campus Ministry
Resources and marketing of Campus Ministry programs in Lubbock and Levelland such as Raider Awakening Retreats, FOCUS and ESTEEM.

Young Adult
Theology on Tap and small group sharing resources and Catholic teachings with discussions.
Engaged Encounter 67 couples attended one of four retreats held in 2017-2018. For over 30 years, CEE has been an instrumental ministry for marriage formation of couples preparing to get married in the Catholic Church—those who travel from within and outside our Diocese.

Marriage Support -Worldwide Marriage Encounter (hosted in Amarillo): couples attended from our diocese in January 2018—making up 1/3 of the married couples in attendance. This event strengthened and celebrated their marriage bond.

-Parenting Support: 270 members in “Catholic Moms Group” on Facebook. hosts weekly and monthly events. The Marriage and Family Life Office in conjunction with Catholic Moms has hosted events for all families and children to get together: All Saints’ Day Celebration, A Christmas Season Celebration, An Easter Season Pray & Play, an online bookstudy during Lent and Easter on the vocation of motherhood using Momnipotent (15 mothers participated). Jenna Chang is the Director of the Marriage & Family Life Department.

Catechist Formation: Catechetical Conference in October of 2018 with hundreds of catechists from throughout the Diocese.

Childrens Formation: Family Camp: 3-day event for the whole family that focused on activities for the whole family as well as teaching sessions with notable national speakers for the adults and kids based on Theology of the Body.

Adult Formation: Life in the Resurrection retreat (Our Lady of Guadalupe in Snyder): A parish Lenten retreat to prepare adults for the Easter Season done with bilingual sessions. Approximately 40 attended.

Widow and Widower Support -Grief Support during the Holidays: hosted 3 sessions during the Sundays of Advent for those grieving the death of a loved one and to prepare them for the holiday season.

Alicia Alvarez, Rose Martin and Sister Lale Peliken were in the Office of Catechesis in 2017-2018.

Family Formation

20 people attend the Renewed retreat held at St. Joseph's in Rotan that focused on renewing a relationship with the Holy Spirit to bring about renewal in both our families and parish families.

7 Parent & teen awareness nights were held as requested by the pastors and CCE leaders in various parishes. The Marriage and Family Department went out to several rural parishes by invitation to speak to parents and teens to help empower families to talk about difficult but important topics. Well over 100 teens and parents total attended these events.

Superintendent of Catholic Schools

Superintendent, Christine Wanjura, and teachers of Christ the King Cathedral school receive funding for training, insurance, memberships and testing requirements for students.

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These ministerial departments receive grants and request registration fees for events which helps cover their expenses. In 2017-2018 diocesan support of campus ministry was just beginning, by 2018-2019 (this year) financial support has drastically increased thanks to grants and gifts.
Finance Division: Annabelle Ocañas is the Chief Finance Officer (CFO) for the Diocese of Lubbock and Finance Division head. It is for the Finance Officer to administer the goods of the diocese under the authority of the bishop in accord with the budget developed by the Finance Office and approved by the Finance Council and, from the income of the diocese, to meet expenses which the bishop has authorized. Virginia Scherpereel is Administrative Assistant to the CFO and assists in the daily workflow structure of the Finance Office including but not limited to IT support, hospitality event coordination, and receptionist for the division.

Accounts – In 2015-2016 parishes began utilizing the diocese for bookkeeping services. Many parish staff is tasked with liturgical responsibilities, event planning and responsibilities from their pastor. There is no way the diocese could support those unique parish experiences. However, the diocese can help with third-party transactional support of bank reconciliation and financial statements. Katie Thompson and Nitsuh Agaje work with parishes in parish accounting. Jeannie Rodriguez handles all accounts payable of the diocese and Marilyn Hampton handles accounts receivable.

Audit – The diocese hires a third-party auditor to review the financial statements, changes in net assets and cash flow for the year. In 2017-2018 the auditors’ professional opinion was that all of the above were in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United State of America. Katie Thompson and Nitsuh Agaje work with pastors and parish finance committees on parish financial reviews - an internal audit per se. This ensures parish financial records are in accordance with national accounting principles as well.

Insurance & Benefits – The CFO and her consultative bodies manage an exclusive Catholic healthcare plan that is available to priests, diocesan staff, Catholic school teachers, and parish staff. In many cases the diocese covers insurance expenses that fall over and above the operating budget of schools and parishes. The CFO and her consultative bodies also manage the priest pension plan and the 403b retirement plan available to priests, parish staff and diocesan staff. Health and retirement benefits are benefits that uplift the morale of recipients, keeping good employees in their positions for the success of the diocese.

The CFO handles parish property and liability insurance claims for buildings and grounds when needed. She can negotiate, on behalf of the parish, for competitive insurance premiums. In 2017-2018 the property insurance company sent an unexpected bill to each parish that was impossible for parishes to afford. Thanks to the DCA, the diocese paid the $41,522 bill in full on behalf of all parishes. It’s moments like these when the diocese is able to step in and support parishes.
**Stewardship and Development** – The Office of Stewardship and Development applies for more than $1 million in grants each year for the diocese, schools, parishes and Catholic organizations. In 2017-2018 it received $683,008 for the diocese, schools, parishes and Catholic organizations. Grants are often restricted funded that must be spent in a specific way. This limits the types of grants we can receive as well as the types of projects we can provide. However, your DCA contribution is given in true faith and trust. Your gifts are used for the mission of the Diocese of Lubbock. Rachel Martinez is the Director of the Stewardship & Development Department.

The expenses of the DCA have changed since 2017-2018. However, in 2017-2018 there was a training workshop, four deanery meetings, and the Bishop’s Guild Dinner. These events included hospitality, printing, staff time and mileage. To manage the DCA commitments throughout the year, the DCA expenses include printing, postage, staff time, and payment processing fees. The plan for the FY 19-20 campaign is to significantly lower expenses without compromising the integrity of the DCA. Kassidy Allen is the DCA Coordinator.

**Facilities** – The buildings and grounds of the diocese such as the Catholic Pastoral Center and Catholic Renewal Center are maintained by the Facilities Department. Deacon Severo Alvarado is the Facilities Director. Patricia Pesina, Larry Beyer, Steven Martinez, Johnny Gonzales and Marilyn Gonzales are all on his team. They take care of the buildings and grounds on a daily basis and are available during weekend events such as retreats, organization workshops, and community events. The Facilities Department visits parishes throughout the diocese to provide risk assessments of the Church sanctuaries, parish halls, rectories, and other properties. This guidance ensures parishioners and visitors have a safe place to worship and gather as community. The Facilities Department is also responsible for the upkeep of Bishop’s house and are available to assist retired priests who live alone as well.

**Retreat Centers** – The Mercy Retreat Center and the Catholic Renewal Center are essential elements of the diocese. Because retreats are often multiple days with overnight guests, they require large overhead and assume much risk. The spiritual communities who gather together on retreats are trusted to respect and protect these holy grounds. Rental rates for these facilities do not cover the total operating expenses so the diocese steps in to cover the difference, thanks to the DCA. Mark Meurer is the Director of Mercy Retreat Center. Patricia Pesina coordinates the building rentals of the Catholic Renewal Center.

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Direct Parish Support
The diocese supports needy parishes through direct contributions on a case-by-case basis. Four rural parish priests received a total of $6,507 in mileage reimbursement to support their travel between their parishes. One parish was in need of $8,400 in operational support. This one-time gift was possible thanks to the DCA. Catholic Charities and Mercy Retreat Center receive a total of $100,000 in operational support.
As Christians we are called to charity. When a community is in need, the diocese does what it can to step in and help. By supporting those in need, we are supporting the whole diocese. When one parish suffers we all suffer. Bishop Coerver’s goal for the DCA is that it sustains the operations of the diocese. Then special gifts or estate bequests can be used for emergency funds or special projects to take parishes from survival mode to a thriving Catholic community.

Tribunal
Today the Tribunal is an office which is considered the “ecclesiastical legal branch” of the diocese. It deals with many different aspects of church life, and relates to many of the different functions exercised by the Bishop. It is necessary for those working in the Tribunal to be expert in Canon Law and other laws of the Church. In the past, the only people approved to act in this capacity were priests. More recently lay people have been permitted to participate in this area of the Church. The Tribunal Department of the Diocese is led by Very Rev. Jose Kochuparambil. Rita Ortiz and Elizabeth O’Balle assist him in the administration and ministerial tasks of the office.

Although the most visible and time-consuming area of the Tribunal deals with the annulment of failed marriages, many other areas also exist. The Diocesan Tribunal processes cases for married couples seeking to obtain a declaration of invalidity of marriage. In addition, the Tribunal provides canonical counsel for the clergy and laity of the diocese and assists them with training in Canon Law.

In 2017-2018 the Tribunal Office hosted training workshops for priests, deacons and parish volunteers. They also began digitalizing their forms in order to expedite their services. The process of witness interviewing can be a healing process for family and members of the marriage seeking an annulment. This department respects the confidentiality and dignity of each person during their process.

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<td>Tribunal</td>
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Many Church buildings throughout the diocese are older than the diocese itself. As churches and parish properties continue to age, their structures become compromised. In one instance the architectural design of a rural church building made it more prone to flooding and foundation damage. In 2016 it was condemned by the town and parishioners were forced to worship in the Parish Hall with little hope of returning home. Thanks to the pastor and parishioners working with the diocesan Facilities department, the Finance Department and Finance Committee, along with the Stewardship & Development Department and your DCA funding, this parish community is now worshiping in a renovated version of their building. The diocese was able to provide six-figures of financial aid to this community.
The journey to Heaven requires companions we bring along the way. Alone we can speak of God’s love, together we can show God’s love to one another. Throughout the booklet you’ve learned the names of the priests, deacons, consecrated women and lay workers of the diocese who are your companions.

There is much work to be done in order that our diocese can simply get out of debt and provide basic services. Our largest income has always been from generous parishioners through the Diocesan Catholic Appeal. Over time the appeal became stagnant and did not meet the needs of the Diocese of Lubbock. The 2019-2020 diocesan budgets have cut back on spending and provided for the basic needs of the administration and ministries of the diocese.

The new parish goals found on the next page reflect the true financial need of the diocese and our prayerful discernment that your parish can reach this goal. In some parishes this is double a previous goal and in others it is ten times as much.

As an ambassador for Christ, we ask you to be an ambassador for the DCA. Please bring along your companions to this journey. Bring two or ten generous stewards such as yourself who can accompany us on the journey to support the Universal Church. This will be a journey of sacrifice and service.

As a generous Ambassador, please consider joining the new giving circle. The DCA Campaign Prayer, Suscipe, (located on the back) has blessed the DCA since 2016. Through the inspiration of this stewardship saint, we invite you to join the NEW! St. Ignatius Circle. Members of this circle will make continuous monthly contributions to the DCA and will not have to fill out a pledge form each year. Please indicate on your pledge form if you’d like to join this vital group of Ambassadors of the DCA.
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Diocesan Catholic Appeal
Campaign Prayer

*Suscipe, St Ignatius of Loyola*

Take Lord, and receive
all my liberty
my memory,
my understanding,
my entire will
all I have and call my own.

You have given all to me.
To you, Lord, I return it.

Everything is yours;
do with it what you will.

Give me only your love
and your grace,
that is enough for me.

Amen