

The Loop

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The Loop Newsletter is published by the Office of Stewardship & Development to keep you informed about the annual Catholic Charity Appeal. We will "keep you in the loop" regarding news and events which we hope you will find helpful and informative.

Stewardship & Development Staff Introductions

Wondering who to speak to for assistance when calling the Office of Stewardship & Development? Please be assured that our staff is ready and willing to assist you with any questions you may have.

Anthony Gwiazdowski

Tony is the Director of the Office of Stewardship & Development. As Director, his responsibilities include overseeing all aspects of stewardship and development in addition to coordinating the Shepherds of Hope Campaign.

Robert Spirito

Bob is the Associate Director of Parish Services. As Operating Director of the annual Catholic Charity Appeal, he also works with pastors interested in implementing stewardship as a way of life in their parish communities.

Andrea Krupp

Andrea is the Director of the Catholic Foundation of Rhode Island. She conducts the planned giving program of the Diocese and helps donors match their charitable intent with a compelling need in the Catholic community.

Karen Hollands

Karen is the Database Administrator. Her duties and responsibilities include supervising all gift entries in addition to generating parish donor reports and parish share allocations during the Catholic Charity Appeal.

Wendy Paige

Wendy, our receptionist, manages Accounts Payable and assists with mailing quarterly statements and the distribution of Catholic Foundation funds. She is also the contact person for all parishioner record updates.

Morenike Johnson

Monie is a Database Assistant. Her responsibilities include credit card and direct debit processing. She also assists donors in resolving billing issues and works with Letter Concepts to coordinate pledge payment processing.

June Simonian

June is a Database Assistant. She is responsible for parish capital campaign gift processing and reporting.

2011 Appeal Overview

Total Amount Raised: \$7,700,815	Number of Donors: 40,859
Number of Parishes Over Goal: 77	Number of Cash Gifts: 30,312
Number of Gifts: 42,685	Number of Pledges: 11,357
Total of Credit Card Gifts: \$579,919	Overall Average Gift: \$180.41
Total Bishop's Partnership in Charity Raised: \$3,278,083	

Parish Roster Maintenance

In September, parishes will receive a parishioner roster. We kindly ask that you review this roster making note of any additions, corrections or deletions. These updates are critical for us to ensure that your parishioner Catholic Charity Appeal pledge cards are up-to-date and accurate. Do you want to reduce the stress of updating your roster maintenance each year at this time? We would like to offer you the opportunity to e-mail or fax your changes more regularly throughout the year. **We have also attached an e-mail friendly form which you may use**, or simply send your changes in the format that suits you. Please e-mail your changes to stewardship@dioceseofprovidence.org or fax to (401) 277-2120.

Vivian Landi, secretary at Saint Catherine Parish in Warwick, states, "Yesterday I received the Catholic Charity Constituent Update Form from your office via e-mail and I think it is just great. I had the chance to fill out all the information today on a "new parishioner" and faxed it over to your office. This process is so much more easy and organized and I hope other secretaries will feel the same way. Thank you so much for thinking of such a great idea."

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