

## **Common Questions about Giving**

### **2021 Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal**

- ♦ If I make a check out to my parish or place my gift in the collection basket at a weekly Mass, will my pledge be credited?
  - *Your gift will be processed more quickly if mailed directly to the diocese each month. All checks must be made out to BASA (Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal) to be credited to your parish's participation goal.*

Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal  
Diocese of St. Augustine  
P.O. Box 23907  
Jacksonville, FL 32241-3907

- ♦ Can I make a gift on-line?
  - *Yes, you can go to [dosafll.com/bishopsappeal](https://dosafll.com/bishopsappeal) or text 21BASA to 904-567-0887*
- ♦ Does my gift at the Crozier giving level serve for ongoing membership?
  - *No, the Crozier Society is an annual membership guild.*
- ♦ Can I give stocks or securities to make my gift?
  - *Yes, please contact the diocesan Fiscal Office at (904) 262-3200 to make arrangements and to fill out a letter of intention for donating stocks or securities.*
- ♦ Can I give a gift from my IRA or donor advised fund?
  - *Yes, please provide the funding agent with the diocesan mailing address (11625 Old St. Augustine Road, Jacksonville, FL 32258) and have them indicate BASA 2021 on the check or letter accompanying your gift.*
- ♦ My gift is small, does it even make a difference?
  - *Each of us must discern what we can give in response to God's generosity to us. If our gift is intentional, even though small, it is a gift of good stewardship – an act of faith. Together, everyone in the diocese makes a tremendous difference – accomplishing far more than any one of us could on our own.*
- ♦ Does the Appeal qualify for matching gift programs?
  - *We do qualify for some. As this can change each year, we ask that you please contact your employer's Human Resources office to see how you can apply for a matching gift and if the Diocese of St. Augustine or any of its many entities is a qualified recipient.*
- ♦ Will I receive a pledge reminder?
  - *Yes, everyone who makes a pledge will receive a monthly reminder that will include the total pledge, total paid, and remaining balance, by mail. For those gifting by credit card and ACH debits, they will receive gift payment receipts via email.*
- ♦ When will I receive a letter for income tax purposes?
  - *All donors of eligible gifts of \$200 or more will automatically receive tax documentation of BASA gifts in January of the following year. For gifts under \$200, donors can request tax documentation at any time.*
- ♦ I am registered in or go to multiple parishes. Can I split my gift?
  - *Yes. Please note the parish and amount to credit each parish on your pledge card or in-pew envelope. Please make only one pledge.*