

Once again we stand before you to ask for the strength and power of your Holy Spirit as we begin the great work of the Bishop's Annual Appeal for 2025.

Fill our hearts, we pray, with your peace and your light, so that our lives may be illuminated as the doors of your generosity open to the needs of the Diocese of Raleigh.

Let us become channels of your love and grace, responding with boundless compassion.

Remind all of us who wish to serve that we are stewards entrusted to each other's care and challenged to bring hope to all who are in need of believing and beholding that you are the source of good in every situation.

We give you praise and glory and raise our prayer to you through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

## YOUR HEART

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## Message from Bishop Luis Zarama

When you support the Bishop's Annual Appeal YOU open the doors of our Diocese and allow the light of the Holy Spirit to shine through 54 counties, 81 parishes, and 14 Missions, bringing people together in faith, worship, and discipleship.

The BAA is an opportunity for us to put the gospel into action. The gospel in action is service. We serve by giving, we serve by praying and we serve by volunteering both inside and outside of our parish walls.

I knock on the door of your parish and your heart. Please consider opening that door and responding in faith.

Open your heart....Open a door.

May God bless you, thank you for your generous support!

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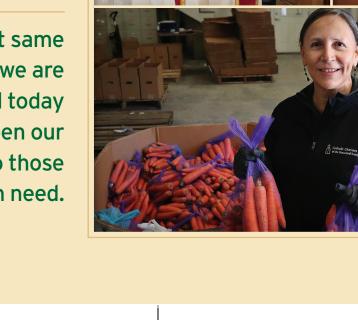
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"I stand at the door and knock. If you hear my voice and open the door I will come in..."

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In that same spirit, we are called today to open our hearts to those in need.





to those called by the Lord to pursue ordination... to continue in our Catholic faith for many years to come.

to the hungry and desolate through our food distribution and outreach programs distributing roughly 4 million pounds of food and providing assistance to nearly 50,000 families.

to a new generation of children through Christian formation and education across 35 catholic schools and a multitude of youth programs.

to marriages and families needing love and support, helping them through even the most inadvertent times.

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**Goal \$8.1 Million** When you open the door to your heart, you open the doors of Ministry



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