



Called Together Diocesan Annual Appeal

Giving · Sharing · Serving

Week Two

Education and Promotion Weekend: September 26-27, 2026

The plan for Week Two includes the following:

- 1) Priest presentation or provided testimonial
(During the announcements at Mass, the parish priest is asked to present his own testimony about the benefits of having the Appeal in our diocese. The testimony can be shared either during the Homily or after the Prayer After Communion. Another person may be asked to speak about the importance and benefits of the Appeal, when necessary. However, active support from the parish priest is an important part of this Appeal.)
- 2) Bulletin write-up that includes parish goal
- 3) A parish-specific pulpit announcement
- 4) Universal Prayer – *please see below*
- 5) A note about the handling of Appeal Packages

Additional Appeal Materials

If you require additional appeal materials, please contact me at jfowlie@pgdiocese.bc.ca and we will get them out to you. **We would encourage you to reuse packages addressed to parishioners who have moved from the parish or cannot otherwise be sent to them.** You can also reprint posters, brochures and pledge forms from the PDF files sent to the parishes and included with the Wednesday Weekly. If you need those files sent to you directly or have difficulty finding the files, please let me know. **Do not return unneeded envelopes to the Pastoral Centre** – either reuse them or recycle them.

Bulletin Write-Up

Today is the Educational and Promotional Weekend for Called Together – Giving, Sharing, Serving. As in the past, your pledge truly benefits the many people in the small parishes, missions and ministries throughout our diocese.

A successful Appeal furthers the mission of our local Church and of our parish and helps others in our diocese with the resources they truly need. Inflation has made life more expensive for all of us, including our parishes and missions – costs continue to rise and the challenge to serve God's people becomes harder. If you've not donated to the Appeal in recent years, we ask you to consider beginning. If you've been a regular contributor to the Appeal, we would ask you to consider increasing your donation to help with rising costs.

We hope that every household in our parish actively participates, a goal that can only be reached



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with your help. Please consider your support in the coming week. Not everyone can make the same pledge, but if we all offer our sacrifice, we will truly be successful.

Our Combined Parish Goal: \$

For Announcements at Mass *(please adapt as needed)*

This weekend is the Education-Promotional Weekend for Called Together – Giving, Sharing, Serving.

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The Diocesan goal for Called Together is \$ 300,000 and our combined parish goal is \$_____.

One way in which we can live out our call to stewardship is through our support of Called Together – Giving, Sharing, Serving. With your participation, you are serving the material and spiritual needs of the entire diocesan community. Let us remember our Lord Jesus himself calls us to be generous with all the gifts God has given us, to grow them and return them with increase.

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Thank you to those who have already given their support to Called Together and let us continue to pray for its success.

Universal Prayer

For our entire Diocesan family:

that we will humbly respond to God's call to faithful stewardship,

choosing to assist our brothers and sisters in their need through our Annual Appeal.

We pray to the Lord.



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A Note About the Appeal Packages

Please continue to have the addressed appeal packages available in the parishes through this upcoming weekend. During the following week, please mail out any remaining envelopes and submit your receipt to the diocese for reimbursement.