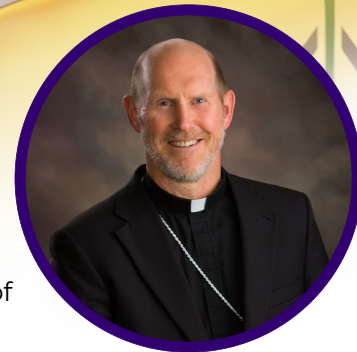


BE THE LIGHT

MATTHEW 5:16



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As faithful communities of salt and light, we are called to stand as beacons of hope to those facing adversity, serving as a testament to the boundless grace of God working through us as a gift to one another and the world.

This year, our annual fundraising appeal at Catholic Charities bears a special theme - "Be the Light." Drawing inspiration from the enduring message of faith and compassion found in the Gospel of Matthew, we invite you to join us in illuminating the lives of those most vulnerable in our community.

The critical work of Catholic Charities, firmly rooted in Catholic Social Teachings, brings together the sanctity of family, community, and the dignity of the human person. These principles are the foundation of our moral vision for society. They are based on our recognition that each person is created in the image and likeness of God. Embracing the call to love one another, we also bear the responsibility of ensuring universal access to the common good, enabling every person not only to survive but to thrive.

Let us not forget that it is the collective radiance of our individual lights that weaves a vibrant tapestry of compassion and love. Thank you for your generous commitment to our annual appeal and all the ways you are sharing the light of Christ throughout the Archdiocese of Dubuque. I am grateful for your continued benevolence.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Thomas R. Zinkula

Most Rev. Thomas R. Zinkula
Archbishop of Dubuque

"You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? It is no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lampstand, where it gives light to all in the house. Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." (Matthew 5: 13-16)

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Your gift provides help and creates hope for the most poor and vulnerable people across the Archdiocese of Dubuque



"With my counselor by my side, I discovered more than just someone who listens. Through the darkness of depression and anxiety, their caring support became my anchor, showing me that healing is a journey we can take together."



"I was so relieved to find affordable housing through Catholic Charities! Your support has given me not just a home, but a sense of safety and belonging that I thought was out of reach. Thank you for helping me build a stable foundation for my life."

"As an Afghan parolee, I did not know where to go for help. I came with a lot of hope to Catholic Charities and was very excited and grateful to be granted asylum. Now I can finally reunite with my family and dream about my future!"



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"We would be homeless right now without the help of Catholic Charities. Hard times happen, no matter how hard you work. They treated my family with respect and kindness when life was at its worst."



"Jail & Prison Reentry at Catholic Charities changed my life. A few years ago, I could never have imagined having a relationship with my family, a great job, and a bright future. I want to find ways to pass along this kindness to others who are struggling. I know how hard those first steps on the journey can be when you are alone."



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