

# *Diocesan Annual Pastoral Appeal 2009*

**The Annual Pastoral Appeal is an opportunity to learn more about the ministries of our Church and obtain your support for these ministries & services which benefit every parish and the greater Diocesan community.**

## **What Does APA Support?**

**Your APA donations provide the ability for our Diocesan ministries to:**

prepare seminarians for the priesthood and educate deacons

give support to Retired Priests

save unborn children

provide respite for the elderly and their families with Alzheimer's and dementia

improve the lives of families in crisis

provide a broad array of social services

construction services support

support evangelization efforts

offer tuition assistance to Catholic school students

support children's religious education, RCIA and other Adult Faith Formation and the Lay Pastoral Ministry Institute

offer Youth Ministry programs

*As each one of us has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace.*

1 Peter 4:8 - 10

**Annual Pastoral Appeal**  
**2009 APA Goal for Nativity Parish**

**\$ 541,239.00**



**Please join us in prayer  
for the success of the**

## **2009 Annual Pastoral Appeal**

We come before You, our loving and merciful Lord,

Recognizing that You are the giver of all we have received and are yet to receive.

We, your people, turn to You for strength and inspiration in our journey as one church, to encourage vocations, care for the troubled, and serve Your beloved poor, and nourish the next generation of Your disciples.

We ask You to bless us with courage, generosity, and selflessness, to help us multiply our gifts for the salvation of Your people and the glory of Your name.

Send the Holy Spirit to work through us to bring Your abiding presence to all those in need of Your comfort and strength.

Bless all those who so generously contribute through the Appeal to improve the lives of our sisters and brothers.

May our faithful stewardship always bear witness to the love we have for Jesus Christ.

We pray with grateful hearts, in Jesus' name and through the intercession of our beloved Mother Mary.

Amen.