



## Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Greetings in the Lord Jesus Christ. I am pleased to announce and implement the 2018 Catholic Sharing Appeal. As with our past appeals, this effort will assist us in building up the church and spreading the Gospel in the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee. It is our way to share in the mission of Jesus, who commands us: "Go and teach all nations..." (Mt. 28:19).

To help illustrate the broad reach CSA has to people throughout Northwest Florida, I am sharing with you the enclosed brochure. Funds are used to support every aspect of our mission. It also describes my episcopal motto: "**Come Follow Me**", along with an explanation as to why I feel this motto is relevant for this - my first CSA as your Bishop.

With that in mind, I ask you to join me in making a sacrificial pledge to this year's Catholic Sharing Appeal. Your continued generosity will help fund charitable outreach to the poor, the troubled, and the vulnerable. CSA funds will also help provide the means to protect and defend the rights of the unborn, ensure excellent academic and spiritual formation in our Catholic schools, and continue high quality catechetical training in our parishes.

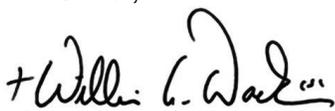
**Your participation in the 2018 Catholic Sharing Appeal - whether through a pledge or one-time gift offers you and your family a unique opportunity to live the faith you profess and to be a good steward of all that God has given you. Your pledge card is included in this mailing and you may return it in the enclosed envelope or in the parish offertory.**

**Therefore with a shepherd's heart, I ask that you please join me and your fellow parishioners, in sacrifice and consider a gift of \$100, \$150 or perhaps \$250.**

Let me take this time to thank you in advance for your gift to the 2018 CSA and for the prayerful consideration that you give to such an important decision. Please continue to pray for my ministry and the thousands of people we serve each year, knowing that I will do the same for you and those dear to you.

In this year's CSA - please "**Come Follow Me**" and let the light of God shine in and through for all to see.

In Christ,

  
Most Rev. William A. Wack, CSC