



ARCHDIOCESE OF
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United in Mission - Disciple: Be One, Make One

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with us always!

We are all missionary disciples of Christ, united in our journey to spread the good news and bring the love of Jesus to others. The beauty of the Archdiocese of Anchorage-Juneau is the vibrance and diversity of its many cultures and locations. The Annual Catholic Appeal makes it possible for the Archdiocese to provide vital ministries and services to its people.

United in Mission - Disciples: Be One, Make One is the theme for this year's Annual Catholic Appeal. Pope Francis describes a missionary disciple as a person who has "first of all a center, a point of reference, which is the person of Jesus." Participation in the Annual Catholic Appeal is a meaningful way we live out our Catholic faith and as disciples of Christ under the banner of *United in Mission*.

United in Mission - Disciples: Be One, Make One helps us focus on our responsibility as missionary disciples of Christ. In 2 Timothy 2:2, St. Paul reminds Timothy that it is essential to build up disciples and teach others to be disciples.

We pray that, as missionary disciples, we may become more like Christ. We freely give our time, talent, and treasure in service of God, one another, and those in need.

I ask you to join me in participating in the Annual Catholic Appeal for 2022, *United in Mission-Disciples: Be One, Make One*.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Andrew E. Bellisario, C.M.
Archbishop of Anchorage-Juneau