



# St. Thomas Syro-Malabar Catholic Diocese of Chicago

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## Diocesan Appeal 2017

November 1, 2017

Dear Brothers, Sisters and loving Children in Jesus Christ,

Glory to God in the highest! Amen.

The summer has ended and falls is winding down with the thoughts of Thanks giving and hope of Christmas. As we prepare for these festive days in our life, let us thank the Lord for all His generous blessings in this year. Let the Lord be with you all through the year and let your thoughts and deeds glorify His name. I wish to thank you, for your kind support to the Diocese in the past years.

The Diocesan Appeal is a way for us to support each other as we seek to follow Christ more closely. Over the past sixteen years, we have grown to 41 parishes and 40 missions with 65 full-time priests, 15 part-time priests and 11 Seminarians. This was made possible through the hard work, co-operation and support of our families, religious and priests. Please find the chart that demonstrates how your contributions will be dispensed, and the list of major achievements of the Diocese.

As your Bishop, I invite you to participate in our Diocesan Annual Appeal this year by making a sacrificial gift in the suggested range of \$250, \$400, \$500, \$750, \$1000 or \$ ---- by a check drawn in favor of "St. Thomas Syro-Malabar Diocese." You may also contribute by signing up for an automatic monthly payment, by filling out the form below. Please send it in the enclosed Envelope to the Diocesan Office by December 31, 2017.

I will keep you in my prayers and let the Lord be with you, protect you and bless you.

Sincerely in Christ,

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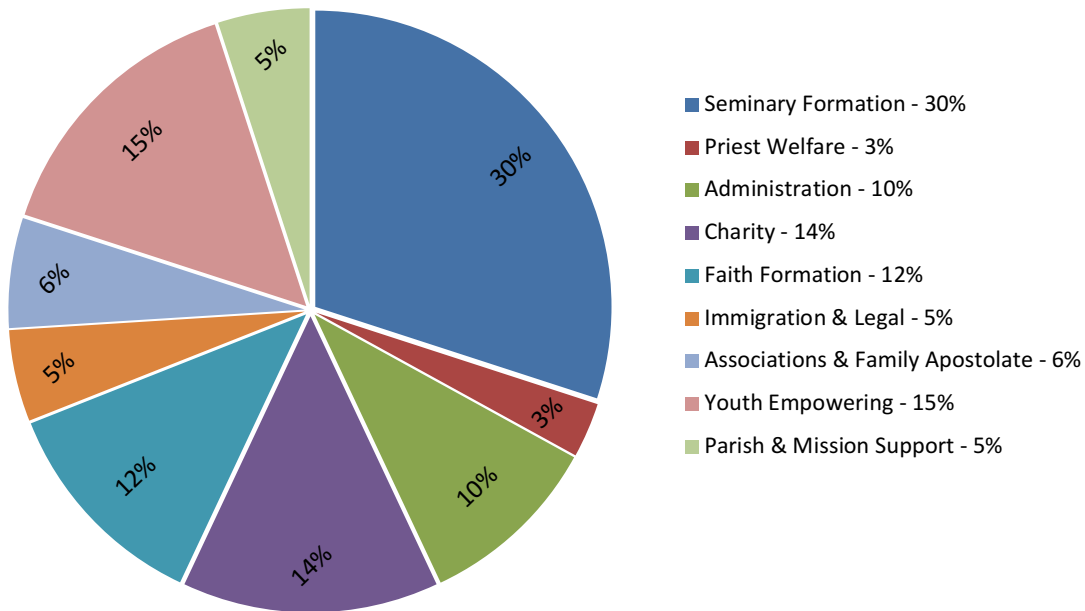
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### DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL Automatic Payment Sign-Up Form

Church Number & Name	
Individual Parish ID#	
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<b>From Bank Account</b>	
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Your Signature	

Please attach a VOIDED check along with this Payment Sign-up Form

# Fund Distribution - 2018



## Major Achievements of the Diocese

2001 – Inauguration of the Diocese

2006 – Blessed new Bishop House

2008 – Blessed new Cathedral

2009 – Inaugurated Diocesan Youth Apostolate (DYA)

2016 – Blessed new Diocesan Office

2016 – Started Chicago Social Ministry

2017 – More than 80 priests in the Diocese

2017 – Total 11 Seminarians (Two Deacons, Three Theologians, Six Philosophers)

2017 – Parishes: 41, Missions: 40

2017 – Registered Families: 24,156