

Dear Christ the King Family

October 6, 2023

I want to thank you for your generous hearts and your gifts of time and talent to this parish community. Thank you also for your marvelous financial help. You are heroes to me and a blessing to all our parishioners, truly. The Holy Spirit is very much alive in you. Every day, I pray you and your loved ones are staying well during this virus season.

Every day we have opportunities to be or provide the face of Christ for others. The Annual Catholic Appeal is one of those opportunities, asking our financial support for many Church ministries in Central Washington. Through this Appeal, we support many ministries and important services that are beyond the ability of any one parish to underwrite. Some of these services directly provide assistance to us in Christ the King, but some are focused on other needs: the education of future priests, the Campus Ministry program at Central Washington University, for example. All these ministries are done in the name of Christ and are aimed at building the kingdom of God in Central Washington.

Our goal is substantial, \$266,868! But we can and will surpass this goal with your help. All monies collected over this amount are returned to our parish. Thank God! We have found that we have to use this money to balance our budget. To date, we have received \$25,559 from the last year's collection

My hope is that every family will make a pledge or gift this year, if you can. Please prayerfully consider your decision. You may find it more realistic to spread your payments over a number of months. If you find that you cannot help financially, please pray for the local Church and the success of this campaign in our parish. You should know that I too am making my pledge this week.

Thank you for your goodness and your constant generosity. You are "awesome", as the kids say, and I always pray for you and your loved ones.

Sincerely,

Rev. Msgr. Thomas C. Champoux

Pastor