

# Saint Stephen Catholic Church

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It's that time of year again when Archbishop George Niederauer asks us to join his efforts to provide for the needs of the people of the Archdiocese of San Francisco through our participation in the Archbishop's Annual Appeal.

Most of us understand our faith deeply enough to realize that all we are and all we have come to us as a huge gift from the hand of God. Understanding this, we find ourselves asking 'how can we repay the Lord for his goodness?' One effective and practical way to show our gratitude, and offer something back to God in return for his many gifts, is to financially assist our Archbishop further the mission of Jesus Christ here San Francisco by supporting the Archbishop's Annual Appeal.

Your contributions to the Appeal will help Archbishop Niederauer reach the poor and homeless, our youth and elderly, the sick and disabled - in fact every Catholic in need. The Appeal will also help evangelize many who have not heard the Good News of Christ and the Gospel.

Our parish assessment this year is \$68,700. Any funds raised in addition to this amount will be used for our own parish needs. Some of the ways we might use that money would be to fund our children's Faith Formation program, provide more office help, or provide a badly needed new carpet for the church.

God will bless you for your support of the efforts of our Church to share our abundance with those in need.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Joe Walsh  
Pastor