

Dear Friends in Christ,

The 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal is upon us! All parish households received a packet of information from our Archbishop, Paul Etienne, with an invitation for each of us to consider prayerfully a generous donation to the Annual Catholic Appeal. The Annual Catholic Appeal provides an opportunity for us to show our support for the many ministries and services provided by our archdiocese that no single parish or organization could sustain alone.

One of the many ministries supported by the Annual Catholic Appeal is support of our Seminarians. We are so grateful to all who are discerning a vocation to Priesthood or Religious Life. We remember fondly the ministry of Seminarian John Paul Tomassi who will be ordained to the Priesthood on June 3rd at St. James Cathedral. Last year, Kyle Rink shared his vocation journey with our parish and thanked us for our support of his vocation through the Annual Catholic Appeal. I am happy to announce that not only will Kyle be ordained to the Transitional Diaconate on May 20th at his home parish, All Saints in Puyallup, but he will be assigned to our parish for the summer! What a joy it will be to welcome Deacon Kyle “home” to St. Anthony to share his life and ministry with us. And of course, our Annual Catholic Appeal donations also support our parishioner Nathan Hatch, a student at Mt. Angel Seminary in Oregon. Our Annual Catholic Appeal dollars make a difference.

Thank you all in advance for your prompt, decisive, and generous participation in this year’s campaign.

Please plan to join us for our May “*Share the Journey*” Holy Hour next Sunday, May 7th from 7 to 8 p.m. This month our focus will be prayer with and for our students and young adults who will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation this year on Thursday, May 25th at 7 p.m. with Bishop Elizondo M.Sp.S. Let’s show them our support and care as we gather with them in prayerful anticipation of the Sacrament.

Easter joy+

A handwritten signature in brown ink that reads "Fr. Tom".

Fr. Tom
Pastor