

## Gratitude

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### Description

Saying thank you is an important part of the Appeal. There are many ways that the parish can thank parishioners for their participation. Some suggestions are listed below.

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### Gratitude Video

The DVD received at the beginning of the Appeal contains a Gratitude video. The Gratitude video runs 2 minutes and has a thank you message from Bishop Olmsted, Bishop Nevares and Fr. Greg Schlarb and CDA recipients. Parishes are encouraged to show the video after they reach goal or sometime after week 10 as the parish efforts wind down.

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### When the parish achieves goal...

When the parish achieves their goal, a congratulatory note can be added to the bulletin, parish announcements, etc. Each parish will also receive a thank you letter from Bishop Olmsted that can be placed in the bulletin.

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### Personal calls and notes

One of the most effective ways that parishes can thank donors and volunteers is by a personal call or note from the pastor/parish staff/etc. Anyone who contributed in a special way can be thanked in a special way. This can include large donors, volunteers who gave of their time and talent and any others.

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### Gratitude on a Diocesan level

All donors who give \$300 or more will receive a thank you letter from Bishop Olmsted. In addition, donors who give \$1,000 or more will be invited to be a part of the Society of the Miter. Donors who give \$5,000 or more will be included in The Shepherd's Circle. Society of the Miter and Shepherd's Circle members are invited to appreciation events in the fall. For more information, please contact Carrie at 602-354-2217.