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# NEWSLETTER



## Quarter Mark Summary

We are almost a quarter of the way through our *Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal*. After 3 months of activity, we are already halfway to goal! We have over 20,000 donors who have contributed to our *Appeal*. We are excited that 38 of our parishes have already met their 2019 *Appeal* goals!

Thank you for all you do to encourage parishioners to give to the *Cardinal's Appeal*. We are grateful for your generosity and hard work!

## From a Fellow Pastor

Father Herbert DeGaris is the pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish in Stony Brook, a parish that participated in Block 3 of the *Renew + Rebuild* campaign. Like other parishes returning from the *Renew + Rebuild* campaign, there have been challenges, but also successes. While the parish is behind in their goal compared to previous years, they are ahead of what their number of gifts was two years ago! Father is encouraged by his parishioners as they participate in the *Cardinal's Appeal* this year.

*"Even though the Church is going through this difficult moment, I am seeing the people's faith remaining strong. Our parish benefited in the past with help from the Cardinal's Appeal. There is an understanding by the parishioners of the good work the Appeal continually brings forth because of the generosity of the people of the archdiocese."*

-Father Herbert T. DeGaris, Pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish in Stony Point

## Upcoming Events

- **April 8-** Major donor event; St. Benedict Parish in the Bronx
- **May 16-** Major donor event Sacred Heart Parish in Suffern

We hope the parishioners and pastors in the nearby areas will be able to attend. To RSVP, please email [katarina.woltornist@archny.org](mailto:katarina.woltornist@archny.org)

<b>Goal</b>	<b>\$20,000,000</b>
<b>Pledged</b>	\$10,666,367
<b>Paid</b>	\$7,336,115
<b>Number of donors</b>	21,833
<b>Percentage of goal</b>	53%



If you have not already received your invitation to the Legacy of Faith Mass and Luncheon, you will be receiving it soon. For this year's annual Legacy of Faith Mass and Luncheon, all pastors are invited to attend with one or two parishioners who have a strong history with the parish. This event is intended to celebrate parish legacies and to introduce bequest giving as an expression of gratitude for the parish community. If you are aware of parishioners who might be open to remembering the parish in their wills, this event will be a good opportunity to both thank them for their dedication to the parish, as well as to introduce them to the idea of legacy giving by meeting other parishioners who have done so already. To RSVP, please email Nick Mederos at [nick.mederos@archny.org](mailto:nick.mederos@archny.org) or call 212-794-3236