

Fellow Parishioners.

We are honored to serve this year as the chairs for the Diocesan Annual Appeal for Luzerne County.

As I am sure you know, we are nearing the end of our 2019-20 Appeal. While we have exceeded last year's contributions, we are not at our current "goal".

This year's Appeal goal was set based upon a minimum budget needed to provide for various Diocesan (not parish) expenses for programs that touch the every day lives of our less fortunate citizens (homeless, struggling families, and anyone in need of a helping hand), for financial support for our seminarians, and for other programs and needs too many to mention here.

While we all know that the Diocese has established a Survivors Compensation Fund for the survivors of sexual abuse, none of the Appeal proceeds will be used toward this end.

For those of you who have already contributed...thank you from all those touched by your generosity.

For those who have not yet contributed, PLEASE take a moment to reflect on our Christian needs. We personally ask you to take the time to make a contribution. You can get an Appeal pledge envelope on your way out of the church today or you can put your gift in a plain envelope marked "Appeal" and drop it in the weekend collection basket.

On behalf of everyone who benefits from the ministries funded by the Appeal, we ask for your help. Please join with your fellow parishioners who have made, or will make, a contribution to this Appeal.

God bless and thank you for all you do for the less fortunate and our Diocese.

Sincerely,

## Sandra and Frank T. Orlando

St. John Bosco Parish, Conyngham Annual Appeal Regional Co-Chairs, Luzerne County