



ROMAN CATHOLIC
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OF **CHARLESTON**

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

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My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Every year we come together as a diocese to support the services of Catholic Charities. Our help allows them to offer more assistance to people in difficult situations, which have drastically increased during the pandemic. In 2020, Catholic Charities saw a triple digit increase in visitors to our offices, specially to our food pantries. This year we need your generosity more than ever. Your generous gift will help:

- The hungry being fed at our 7 Food Pantry locations
- The homeless washing their clothes at Clean of Heart
- Seniors living at the Carter May Home
- Our neighbors seeking help at Immigration Legal Services
- Those needing corrective dentures with Save a Smile
- Our incarcerated brothers and sisters preparing to leave prison
- People caught in natural and economic disasters needing case management services and emergency financial assistance.
- Over 1,000 served through our Hope Mental Health Ministry

Please join me in being generous to so many who come to us in need. Together, we can provide help and create hope by turning our donation into an effective means of living our faith.

Your generosity will make a great difference in the lives of so many people who look to the Church for assistance, as 95.5% of each dollar given is used towards directly serving those in need. I rely heavily on Catholic Charities to help me fulfill Christ's mandate to serve those most in need, and I ask you to join me in supporting Catholic Charities' loving service.

In the Lord's Peace,

Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmo
Bishop of Charleston