

February 25, 2021

Dear Parishioners,

Greetings of love, peace and prosperity!

Gratefulness in my heart is the very first thought that comes to my mind as I start this letter. It's amazing the wave of generosity from our parishioners at St. Robert's. I am so grateful that people in our parish are responding to the needs of our church and the whole archdiocese despite this difficult unprecedented pandemic time. My task becomes light; my mission comes easy because I have you by my side.

Each year at this time, our Archbishop asks us to join his efforts to provide programs and ministries to the people of the Archdiocese of San Francisco through our participation in the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. We are called by God to be good stewards of all that He has given us, and this Appeal is an excellent way to respond to that call.

We are still living in this challenging time that started last year and naturally our financial contributions were affected and it is understandable that we were not able to meet our last year's AAA goal just like many of the parishes. The good news is that the Archdiocese has decreased our parish assessment this year from \$119,261 to \$101,451 since it is based on the percentage of the ordinary income of the previous year.

I humbly ask you to take part of this appeal. It is my great hope and fervent prayer that many of us, if not all, would participate in this campaign regardless of the amount you give. If we do, we would not need of any Second Collection for the AAA. The good news also is that any money raised in addition to our AAA goal will be returned to the parish for our own needs. That is why I myself have been personally giving to the AAA.

Enclosed is a brochure that gives more information about this important Appeal and the ministries and programs that it funds. God bless you for your stewardship and for your support of the efforts of our Church to share our abundance with those in need. My thanks to you once again for being part of our parish and our archdiocese.

This year, you can make the difference!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Arnold Zamora  
Pastor