

# The Diocese of San Bernardino 2018 DDF Annual Appeal

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Those who participated in the 2017 campaign will start receiving their 2018 letters with corresponding pledge cards. Please bring the card with you for submission during the in-pew solicitation at all the Masses next weekend.

Those who have not received a pledge card may pick one up in the pews.

Those who participated in 2017 brought in over \$5.17 million – much needed funds for the four key areas of appeal-funded ministries:

- Serving families
- Strengthening parishes
- Caring for our priests and seminarians
- Serving the Poor

A brochure available in the pews this weekend details all ministries funded in 2017 by the DDF Annual Appeal. Please don't forget to pick one up!

## **PARISH BENEFITS**

All parishes that exceeded their assigned quota also benefited. Christ the Redeemer, as of the last report on December 14, 2017, was set to have received \$26,000. 00 automatically deposited to its account.

Each year Christ the Redeemer has exceeded its quota and thus received extra funds generated from the yearly DDF campaign.

These monies have been used to fund so called "big-ticket" expenses, since 2010, without necessitating special fundraising. Some of the things we have been able to do between 2010 & 2017 are:

1. Painting of the parish hall and classrooms.
2. Yearly maintenance of the church main doors
3. Purchase of additional folding tables for the hall
4. Purchase of new carpeting for classrooms
5. Purchase of new picnic tables around the hall perimeter
6. Purchase of a new refrigerator, freezer and ice machine
7. Repainting of the church narthex
8. Yearly washing of church windows
9. Shampooing of church carpet
10. Cleaning of liturgical accessories
11. Re-surfacing of the church parking lot in 2012

12. Re-surfacing & major maintenance of church parking lot in 2017
13. Purchase of camera for the church and continuous maintenance/upgrade of church sound system
14. Upgrade of parish hall sound system
15. Replacement of stolen outdoor air conditioners
16. Shampooing of hall carpeting and purchase of new carpet for parish office
17. Purchase of new chairs for the parish office conference room
18. Purchase of new chairs for the parish hall
19. Purchase of new chairs for church narthex
20. Purchase of outdoor storage shed for needed additional storage space
21. Upgrade of parish office conference room audio/visual

I urge all parishioners to join others in participating in the 2018 DDF Campaign. Each, giving according to your ability, will go a long way towards assisting the parish in its efforts to keep our facilities clean, well-maintained and constantly upgraded.

May the Lord continue to bless you all and may you have a wonderful day.

*Jose*

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