Annual Appeal

May 5, 2021

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Our recent celebration of Easter once again brought into focus the hope of our Catholic faith – death and darkness do not have the last word. Christ has indeed risen! This joyous news compels us to be His witnesses in the world.

There is no question that the events of this past year have challenged us in ways we could never have imagined. Nevertheless, Christ's presence comforted, sustained, and motivated us to stay faithful to our call. As His disciples and members of the Archdiocese of Newark, we remain steadfast in the mission He has commended to us – to proclaim the Gospel, pass on the faith to the next generation, and care for the poor and marginalized.

We are collectively fulfilling this mission in our parishes, and through programs and ministries that serve the faithful beyond the limits of our parishes. The Annual Appeal of the Archdiocese of Newark ensures the continuation of these vital ministries.

I ask that you will prayerfully consider making a gift to the 2021 Annual Appeal. We are currently at 70% of our goal for 2021, and I know that through our shared commitment, we can achieve this goal and make a difference.

Please be assured that all contributions to the Annual Appeal will directly support the programs and ministries of this Archdiocese. You may visit our website at **www.rcan.org/areas-support** to learn about how your gift helps to sustain our programs and ministries.

Once again, thank you for your faithful witness to the Gospel, your commitment to the future of our Church, and your stewardship. May the Lord continue to bless you and your loved ones abundantly, and may Mary, Mother of the Church, strengthen our resolve to serve God's people ever more faithfully.

Sincerely in Christ the Redeemer,

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Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R. Archbishop of Newark

