

**St. Catherine of Siena Church
1310 Bayswater Avenue
Burlingame, CA 94010**

February 8, 2010

Dear Parishioners,

The time for the Archbishop's Annual Appeal has come around once more. Through the Appeal, our Archbishop asks us to join his efforts to provide programs and ministries to the people of our Archdiocese.

I thank you for your generosity to the Appeal in years past. Our assessment for 2010 is \$123,200. It is an assessment. It must be paid from other funds if the goal is not met. Last year, 50 parishioners contributed \$500 or more; 21 of those gifts were for \$1,000 or more, the largest gift being \$10,000. Such generosity is needed if we are to reach our assessment. It is a very difficult time for many. I hope, those of us who are blessed with some financial stability will be able to respond with greater generosity because of the employment struggles for so many of our parishioners.

This year, the Archdiocese has announced a new opportunity to give online to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal for a limited number of participating parishes. St. Catherine of Siena is delighted to be one of these parishes and to be able to extend to you the opportunity to donate in this way. You can give online to the AAA via a one-time or recurring monthly donation using your credit card or through an automatic recurring monthly debit directly from your bank account.

To give online to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal, please go to the Archdiocesan website at: www.sfarchdiocese.org. On the front page of the site, look for the "Donate to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal" link below the revolving banner to learn more information or to start the donation process. If you have any questions about how to give online, please contact the Archdiocesan Office of Development at (415) 614-5580 or development@sfarchdiocese.org.

We hope that you will consider a gift to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal 2010. Your gift, along with the gifts of others from our parish, will aid the Archbishop in providing the programs and ministries which benefit so many in our parish, the Archdiocese and beyond.

Thank you for all you do for St. Catherine's Parish and for our Church. Thank you for your part in spreading the Good News of Christ's love.

Sincerely,

Fr. John Ryan
Pastor