PPC MEETING: Tuesday, February 15, 2011 7 P.M.—9 P.M. in the Community Room AGENDA

- 1. Opening Prayer
- 2. Finance Report
- 3. Facility Report
- 4. Annual Catholic Appeal Report
- 5. Lunar New Year Celebration Evaluation
- 6. Lent Planning
- 7. Other Concerns
- 8. Closing Prayer

2011 ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL BEGINS Please Respond Generously to Cardinal George's Letter

The theme of the 2011 Annual Catholic Appeal is "...seek first the kingdom of God..." (Matthew 6:33). Jesus taught that we are not to worry about the things of this world. Rather, we are to seek the kingdom of God and the Father will reward us. God provides all that we have and all that we are. Stewardship, in part, is the recognition of God's gifts and the obligation to return a significant portion of our gifts to assist in his work. Our gifts to our parish, to our Archdiocese and the Church throughout the world are given in gratitude for what God has given us. A gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal helps to provide education, services, and ministry to thousands within and outside of our Archdiocese.

The Appeal supports parish ministries that provide religious education to children, youth, and adults in economically disadvantaged communities. It is also one of the largest philanthropic sources of financial support for Catholic schools in the Archdiocese. The Appeal also funds services that are of great help to other ministries in parishes. For example, Appeal funds support for grants and scholarships for schools serving economically disadvantaged communities; religious education to children, youth, and adults in economically disadvantaged communities; recruitment, education, and formation of lay ministers and deacons; Catholic Relief Services for aid to the poor in foreign lands; and more.

Also, when our parish reaches its goal of **\$7,249.00** in paid pledges, 100% of the additional funds received will be returned to us for use in our parish. Please make a significant pledge to the 2011 Annual Catholic Appeal.