

ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2023

February 5, 2023

Dear Parishioners of St. Elizabeth,

Invitation to Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA): It's that time of year when we are invited again to participate in the annual fundraising campaign to assist the Archdiocese of San Francisco in its mission and ministry.

The AAA assessment for our parish in 2023 is \$37,462.

Top Three Reasons to Support the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal: 1. St. Elizabeth parish has been an integral and inseparable part of the Archdiocese since 1912 and through the period in 1962 when the current church building was constructed. 2. In Word and Sacrament, through various ministries and services, the Archdiocese has always supported and nourished our parish. 3. Rooted in a 2000-year-old Catholic tradition and culture, the Archdiocese connects us to the church in California, the United States, and the Universal Church shepherded by the Holy Father Pope Francis.

Past successful AAA Campaigns in our Parish: In 2021 and 2022, despite the raging pandemic, our parish successfully completed the AAA campaign within two or three months, thanks to your generosity. I am hoping that this year, we will be able to reach our goal in the first two months (by the end of March), if you are able to support it again promptly and generously.

Starting Date of the AAA 2023 Campaign: We are officially launching AAA drive with this letter and the announcements during the weekend Masses of February 04-05, 2023.

Ways to Donate: You can use the enclosed envelope, which would be my preference for expedited processing of the check and prompt acknowledgment of your donation in the bulletin. You may also give online by visiting stelizabethsf.org or sfarchdiocese.org/aaa.

1.33% Circle: Can you personally consider donating 1.33% of the total amount we have to raise? It is \$500. Some of you last year donated way more than what I had asked for. I am hoping for such donors to continue at the same level, if possible. I have already sent in my personal AAA check for \$500. If 75 people can donate \$500 each, we will make our goal quickly. As a way of thanking you, as in the past years, I'll be inviting the 1.33% Circle members to a sumptuous luncheon filled with fun, food, and friendship. The names of all donors along with a notation to 1.33% donors will be listed in the weekly paper-bulletins during the entire AAA campaign and in the posted bulletins on our website.

God bless you and your families for supporting the mission of the Church

Gratefully yours in Christ,

Your Friend and Pastor,

Fr. Charles Puthota