

Dear Monsignor/Father,

I write today to provide you with updates and will continue to share with you information as needed.

Message from Cardinal Gregory Regarding Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Washington

Catholic Charities is the philanthropic arm of our Archdiocese, serving hundreds of thousands of people in need each year as the most comprehensive social services provider in the Washington area. Please take a moment to learn more about the important work of Catholic Charities and how you can participate in its social ministry outreach.

Catholic Charities Parish Outreach Flier

Along with Cardinal Gregory's above message, please find attached below a flier that showcases the great work that Catholic Charities does in our communities and for those in need. Please share this in your communities in the parish bulletin or on the parish website, in the way you determine is best.

2023 Catholic Charities Parish Outreach Flier.pdf

Important Notice Regarding the Boy Scouts of America Annual Charter Agreement Renewal

The Archdiocese has reviewed the annual charter agreements for Boy Scouts of America ("BSA") troops. We are pleased to announce that the Archdiocese, working in collaboration with the USCCB and the Boy Scouts of America's local and national councils, have approved the attached Annual Charter Agreement for Catholic Organizations for use this year. **Parishes who have an** *existing* **BSA troop, pack, or crew may sign this agreement and recharter for the coming year.**

Boy Scouts of America Catholic Trad Charter Agreement 2023-2024.pdf

Please note that this agreement is specific to Catholic chartering organizations and should be used in lieu of the agreement that auto generates while doing the online rechartering forms. If you have previously signed a different charter agreement for this year, please still sign and submit this agreement. If you are interested in chartering a BSA troop, pack, or crew that did not previously exist at your parish, please contact Mary Fava (<u>favam@adw.org</u>) before signing the agreement.

If you have any questions regarding the BSA bankruptcy, or if you receive any documents related to the BSA bankruptcy, please email the Office of the General Counsel (<u>legaladmin@adw.org</u>). If you have any questions about your parish's BSA troop, pack, or crew please email Mary Fava (<u>favam@adw.org</u>).

Remind the Faithful of Information on the Website

The archdiocesan website, adw.org and adw.org/es, is updated regularly with current information for you to share with your community. Daily news and information about our parishes, schools, and ministries are also available at <u>cathstan.org</u> and <u>elpreg.org</u> for the *Catholic Standard* and the Spanish-language *El Pregonero* newspapers.

As always, should you have questions or need assistance from my office, please know that you can email me at <u>FarrellT@adw.org</u> or call my office line at 301-853-4507 or my cell at 202-531-4550.

With gratitude for your priestly ministry, I am Sincerely in Christ, **Terence J. Farrell** *Chancellor and Executive Secretary of the Curia*

> The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington