

Diocese of Oakland Bishop's Annual Appeal Prayer



Lord Jesus Christ, You came to us as
The Light of the world, promising that those who
believe in You will never walk in darkness. We come
to You with confidence and the sincere desire of
embracing the efforts of the New Evangelization as
true missionary disciples and good stewards of Your
manifold graces, offering our faithful hearts to You.

You also asked us to become beacons of Your light,
witnesses of Your mercy and love, lighting the way
for many to know You better and to make You better
known.

As we discern about our commitment to offer You
our time, talents and treasure, grant us compassionate
hearts for those brothers and sisters in need of that
light that will bring hope to their lives, grateful hearts
to provide care for our retired priests, hopeful hearts
to support those You have called to serve You in the
priesthood, and zealous hearts to support the works
of evangelization in our parishes and schools.

Under the protection of our Blessed Mother, Queen
of the World and star of the New Evangelization, we
entrust all our humble efforts to You, our Lord and
Savior, who lives forever and ever. Amen.