

Gracious and Loving Father, we thank you for the richness of our faith in your Son Jesus.

We recognize how a personal relationship with Him changes everything in our lives.

We praise you for all the beauty that surrounds us, and for the grace that you pour into our hearts.

It is your grace that sustains and fuels our mission to continue to Unleash the Gospel in the world around us.

We ask you to heighten our spiritual senses, that we may be your hands and feet to everyone we encounter, that they might encounter you through our love and acts of service.

We humbly ask you to increase
a spirit of generosity in each of our hearts,
that we might support the many good works
of the Archdiocese of Detroit
through this year's Catholic Services Appeal.
Help us more deeply understand
and live out these words of St. Peter,
"As each has received a gift,
use it to serve one another,
as good stewards of God's varied grace."
May we see it as an honor and privilege
to serve your people,
as we continue to be a bright city on a hill;
a joyful band of missionary disciples
in southeast Michigan.

We ask all of these things in the mighty name of your Son, Jesus, who leads and guides all of our efforts.

Amen.