



2018 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE

Making Christ A Home In Your Heart

100% of your gift supports 14 ministries like **Evangelization!**

Evangelizing is a word that packs a powerful message: to preach the good news of Jesus Christ.

In the eight counties that comprise the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown — Bedford, Blair, Cambria, Centre, Clinton, Fulton, Huntingdon and Somerset—the total Catholic population is 84,309.

A story of Faith, Hope & Charity.

In 1795, prince, priest, and missionary, Demetrius Augustine Gallitzin came to the Allegheny Mountains to answer a sick call and stayed for 45 years ‘evangelizing’ to the settlers of McGuire’s Settlement, now called Loretto.

Evangelization still remains the Diocese’s mission 223 years later. Today, all 87 parishes tend to active and non-active Catholics with evangelization teams, small prayer groups, and outreach ministries. Bringing the good news of Jesus into every human situation is especially evident in the lives of those impacted by the 14 ministries centered on *Caring for the Poor and Strengthening Families; Nurturing our Youth; and Forming Clergy and Laity.*

This fall, as we experience **ARISE Together In Christ**, a parish-centered journey to foster one’s personal spiritual growth with Jesus, Father Gallitzin’s seeds of evangelization continue to grow and prosper in our Diocese.

Attributed to the Apostle of the Alleghenies, “Let us own one place wherein a man can live a hearty, vigorous, joyous hearted Catholic life.”

Your support today will help continue and strengthen our mission to evangelize—providing your friends, family, neighbors and community the spiritual opportunities to experience a real and personal relationship with Jesus.

Your gift can be mailed to the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, P.O. Box 409, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648; placed in your parish offertory; or made online at www.dioceseaj.org

