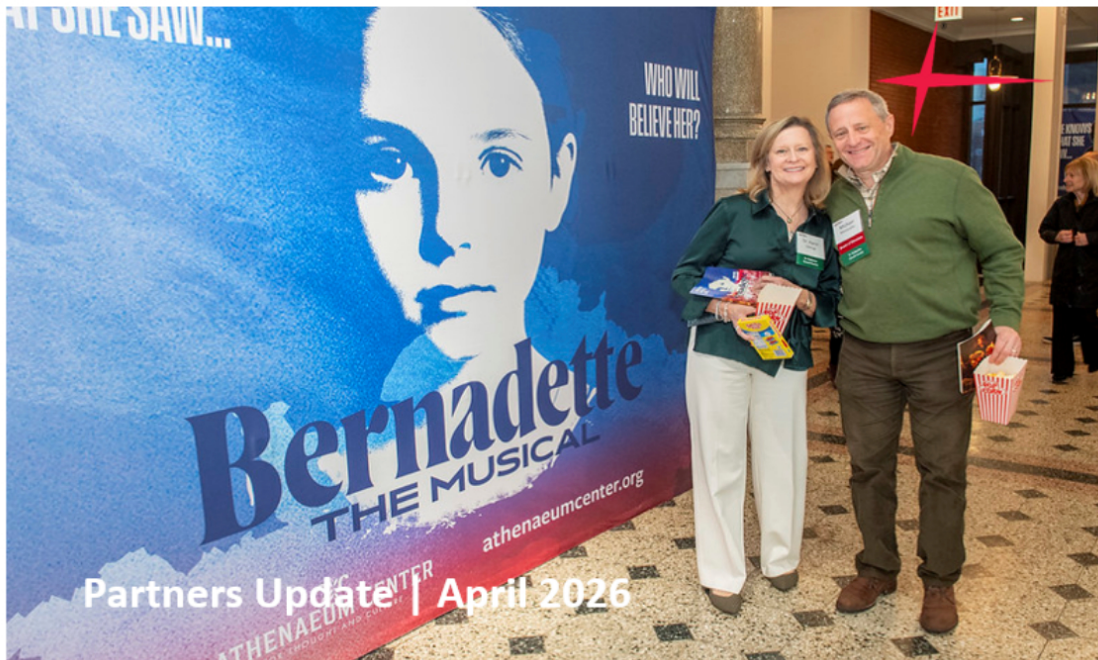




Bernadette, The Musical, was a wonderful play reminding us that extraordinary grace often reveals itself in the faith and works of ordinary people, something we witness every day at Catholic Charities through the strength of those we serve and the generosity of friends like you. We look forward to seeing you at another event soon (see list below).

Dear Friends,

As we enter the Easter season, the prophet Micah offers an invitation: “to do justice, to love goodness, and to walk humbly with your God” (6:8). This way of living opens us to deep joy — the joy of standing with our neighbors, of choosing compassion, and of discovering God already at work among us. Your partnership makes this joy tangible each day. Thank you for walking this Resurrection journey with us.

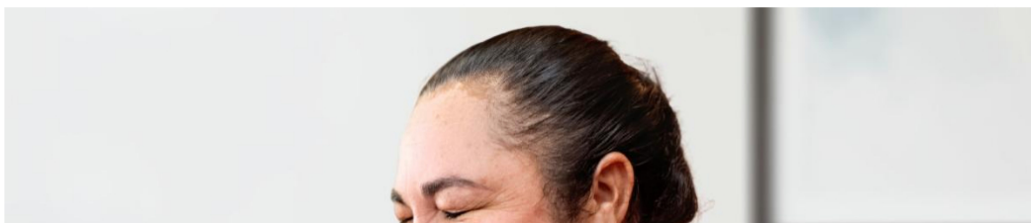
With gratitude,

John DeCostanza

Vice President, Faith & Mission

Partners in Giving

Hope starts here with strong mothers





Make your gift to our Mother's Day Appeal to give hope to over 60,000 mothers and families we serve across Cook and Lake Counties. Your generosity provides vital resources like food, housing, and diapers — often changing the course of their lives. [Join us!](#)



Nourishing families beyond the basket

Catholic Charities supports moms in a variety of ways, including helping them feed their families. We offer free cooking classes, fresh produce, and hands-on guidance to help parents build confidence and healthier routines. Click [here](#) to learn from one of our frontline team members.

Investor call highlight

As Catholic Charities CEO Sally Blount shared in her virtual annual investor call on March 5, 2026, the Charities Resource Hub offers support for thousands of neighbors during life's most challenging moments, responding to over 53,000 requests for assistance last year. "I am so proud that a human voice will answer your call in less than 30 seconds now when you call Catholic Charities. That is when we are there for our neighbors — we are a human voice that wants to help at the other end of the line."



Check out the latest Keenager News

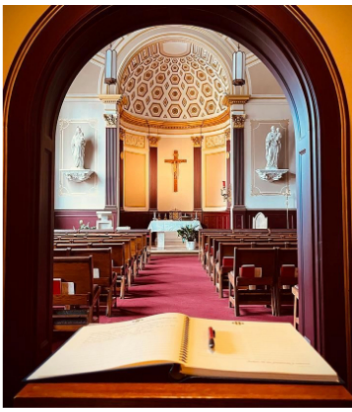
This bi-monthly publication of Catholic Charities reaches 85,000 readers who are 55+ in Cook and Lake counties with news they can use from tax tips, Words for the Spirit, to snapshots of Catholic Charities programs. Read more [here](#).

Partners in Prayer



Walking with One Another in Prayer

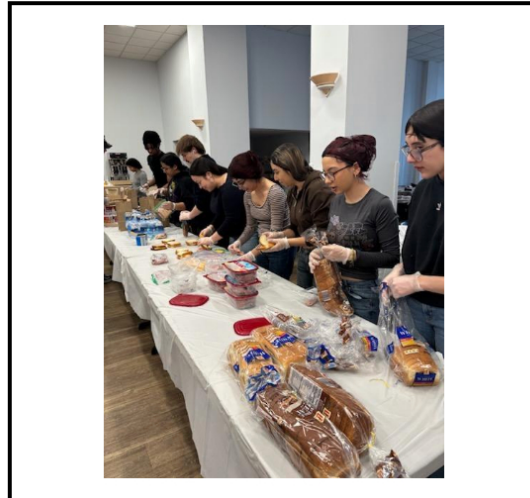
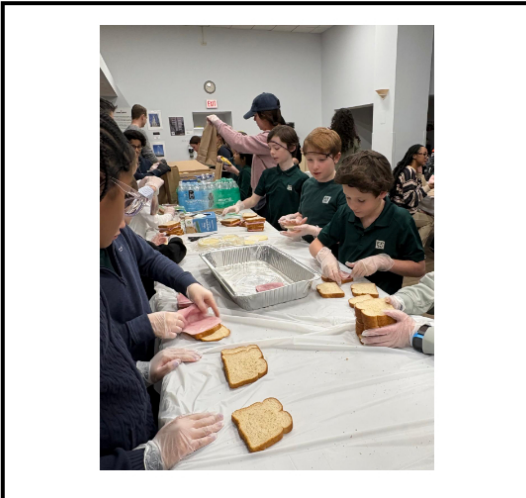
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Catholic Charities has many faithful partners deeply committed to accompanying you in prayer. Please send us your intentions. They will be written in the book of intentions in the St. Louise de Marillac Chapel and included in Masses and other services. All Mass requests, or if you know of someone in the Catholic Charities family who is sick, has died, or for any reason needs our prayers, please email your requests to prayer@catholiccharities.net. Please pray for the following members of our Catholic Charities community: Sue Duffy, Kevin Scanlan, Carol Umlauf, LaVerne A. Koch, Shirley Ann Deheve, Kathryn Engelhardt, Daniel Stubing, Lizzie Saldanha, Mary Esther Fitzpatrick, Zoraida Saldana, Joe Patrick Connelly, Melanie "Molly" Claire McNabola, Martin Tuohy, and Elaine Bertog.

Partners in Mission

Delivering Loaves and Fishes to the hungry



Two student volunteer groups joined us in recent weeks to make sandwiches in our Loaves and Fishes program. Fourth-grade students from The Frances Xavier Warde School (left) made more than 300 sandwiches while students from Arrupe College of Loyola University Chicago made an additional 212 sandwiches for walk-in guests at the Catholic Charities downtown center.

Are you interested in volunteering? Visit ccofchicagovolunteer.com.

Stay Connected: Gather and Grow with Us

Blossoms of Hope Brunch
Sunday, April 26, 2026, 11 a.m.

Westin Chicago Lombard

Please join us for the Blossoms of Hope Brunch, benefiting the Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide (LOSS) Program.



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Mass & Mission

Sunday, May 3, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

St. Christina Parish, Chicago

Celebrate Mass and learn more about the impact of our work.



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Charities Golf Classic

Monday, July 13, 2026, 10 a.m.

Knollwood Club, Lake Forest

Shoreacres, Lake Bluff

Join us for a beautiful day on the course benefiting hundreds of thousands of neighbors each year.



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NEW DATE FOR 2026!

Spirit of Saint Nicholas Ball 2026

Friday, December 11, 2026

Hilton Chicago

Please mark your calendars for the second Friday in December for the annual celebration of the Spirit of Saint Nicholas Ball!

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