



OFFICE OF THE CARDINAL  
1011 FIRST AVENUE  
NEW YORK, NY 10022

November 18, 2022  
Month of the Faithful Departed

The Reverend Monsignor Donald M. Dwyer, V.F.  
Resurrection Parish  
910 Boston Post Road  
Rye, NY 10580

Dear Monsignor Dwyer,

November has always been a particularly meaningful month for me. We start the month by recalling All Saints Day and All Souls Day. On November 11<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate and commemorate the brave veterans of our armed forces, before pausing on Thanksgiving to give thanks to God for the many blessings He has given to us, our families, and our country. Finally, we conclude the month with the beginning of the holy season of Advent, as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Our Savior!

Common to all these November celebrations is the opportunity to reflect on those who came before us, the sacrifices they made on our behalf, and how we can carry on their legacy of generosity and service.

Monsignor Dwyer, I am so grateful for your support of the *Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal*, as you, too, gave of yourself on behalf of others.

As you undoubtedly know, the ministries and outreach supported by the *Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal* enables our priests, religious brothers and sisters, Catholic school and religious education teachers, ArchCare nurses, youth ministers, and seminarians to use their gifts to grow in holiness and make God's love manifest to all they encounter. The *Appeal* provides the necessary funding for our retired priests to receive compassionate care at the St. John Vianney Clergy Residence, for our Young Adult and Youth Faith Formation Offices to boldly form young disciples of the Lord, for our 31 financially vulnerable parishes to be sustained and continue to offer the sacraments, and for St. Joseph's Seminary to educate our future priests. I am grateful for all your efforts to encourage your parishioners to participate in the *Appeal* and to all who have contributed personally.

Be assured that, as I pray in a special way this month for all the faithful departed of our Archdiocese, I will remember the many sacrifices you have made on behalf of your parish. Please know that I am edified by your steadfast faith and love of Jesus and His Church.

With deep gratitude and prayerful best wishes, I am,

Fraternally in Christ,

+ 

†Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan  
Archbishop of New York

