

ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE MILITARY SERVICES, USA

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Dear Brothers in Christ,

While I may dislike the task of fundraising and, specifically making a request to you for support, it is a necessity to continue the mission and ministry of the AMS.

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI and Pope Francis both hold charity as the heart of evangelization. Pope Benedict XVI called charity the main path of the Church's social doctrine and his successor, Pope Francis, calls it the heart of the Church –the reason for her action, the soul of her mission.

The 2021 **Annual Appeal to Priests** will begin 1 October and will conclude 31 December. As always, the goal of this special appeal is to be able to claim the support of 100% of the clergy. Your participation in strengthening the financial health of the AMS helps to ensure that she can continue to address and meet adequately all the challenges service members, veterans, and their families face.

I humbly ask you to consider in prayer participating and helping us achieve the goal of 100% participation. To participate, please visit www.milarch.org/appealtopriests or by mail using the following address PO Box 4469, Washington, DC 20017. Even a small contribution makes it easier for me to approach donors and tell them that all of the priests help to advance the ministry of this global archdiocese.

I thank you, not only for your kindness and generosity, but for your selfless ministry of serving those who serve, at times, in an endless range of stressful and dangerous circumstances.

With heartfelt gratitude for all that you do, I remain

Fraternally in Christ,

(The Most Reverend) Timothy P. Broglio Archbishop for the Military Services, USA