# God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7

## Ministry of Communication

The Little Way magazine and the The Living Garden Newsletter help keep our large diocese connected and informed.





# How can you Contribute to the AMD?

Since AMD is a parish-based stewardship model, stewardship starts with the personal experience of Jesus in your own parish. Your contributions formerly offered to the DMF will now be given directly to your parish because that's where discipleship takes place. Your parish will now direct AMD money to the diocese for the work of the bishop within the diocese.

Thank you for supporting the diocese through AMD. Let us together grow in our personal relationship with Jesus.

Bishop Steven Berg Diocese of Pueblo

The Diocese of Pueblo made the 15% assessment in 2021 based on the weekly collections from 2019 and 2020. The assessment does not include:

- Capital Campaign Donations
- Insurance Claim Proceeds
- Festival/Bingo/Raffle Expenses
- Parish Subsidies/Rebill to Mission Churches
- SBA PPP Loan Proceeds
- Mass Intentions

### Diocesan Outreach Ministries

AMD funds help the diocesan outreach ministries which includes Hispanic ministry, Hospital Ministry, Marriage Ministry, Youth Ministry, Prison Ministry and Respect for Life.

#### Seminarians

Vocational discernment, guidance, and seminary is supported through the AMD. AMD funds cover the significant cost of education and forming future priests.





# Diocese of Pueblo









# Advancing Missionary Disciples (AMD)

Transition from Diocesan Ministry Fund (DMF) to Advancing Missionary Disciples (AMD)

A major realignment of our financial structure around the Spirituality of Stewardship began in 2021.

# What is AMD? Advancing Ministry Discipleship

In April 2021, our diocese changed its stewardship model from the DMF assessment to a completely parish-based stewardship model. This was a strategic plan to realign the financial structure around the spirituality of stewardship. Stewardship starts with the personal experience of Jesus. The following of Christ as a disciple entails a personal response. The examples of work, services and ministries of the church as promoting good stewardship include evangelization and witness to the Gospel, catechesis, and the faith formation central to our mission. Your gifts formerly offered to the DMF will now be given directly to your parish, because that is where discipleship takes place. You are a vital part of God's vision for the future of our diocese.

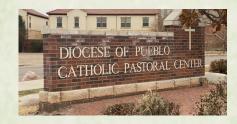
# Where does the money go?

The AMD money helps the Bishop in the works of the Diocese of Pueblo. The money helps to keep the faithful connected with the life of the Church through the coordination of clergy conferences, the annual Convocation and The Little Way magazine. A portion of AMD is distributed directly to parishes, and Catholic schools to assist with religious education programs. AMD also supports other faith formation opportunities, marriage preparation, vocational discernment, and multicultural outreach.

# A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed. Proverbs 11:25

## Catholic Pastoral Center (CPC)

The money collected supports the work of the CPC and diocesan-wide activities as did the former DMF, with the added benefit of strengthening the bond of our mission to form Missionary Disciples of Jesus across our parishes and Diocese. AMD funds help the diocese to train parish leaders, and provide support to parishes across the diocese.



### Multicultural Outreach

AMD funds help the Diocese to bring Priests from other countries and religious orders to serve Christ's Faithful in our diocese. AMD funds help the Diocese to assist international priests with acculturation, language proficiency, and understanding U.S. culture. About 70% of our priests are foreign-born.



## Missionary Discipleship

AMD funds help the Department of Missionary Discipleship to form Missionary Disciples around the Diocese to help further advance the Kingdom of God here on earth.

#### Catholic Schools

The Catholic schools in our diocese provide children not only good education, but also teach the faith. Catholic schools through out the Diocese of Pueblo are partly supported in their ministry and education of children through the AMD.



