



June 23, 2010

Dear Friends in Christ,

As Bishop of Fall River, I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to the priests, deacons, religious, and lay faithful of this Diocese who have contributed to or in any way supported the 2010 Catholic Charities Appeal. I am very pleased and find it exceptional that during these difficult economic times we have surpassed last year's collection total. Because of your prayers, interest, and help, and also because of your generous response, we will be able to provide for and assist those in our area who are most in need.

The people in the Diocese of Fall River have once again demonstrated a spirit of sacrifice and a true desire to share with their neighbors. I am especially grateful for the generosity of the many benefactors who made an extra effort to give this year. In light of the high unemployment rate in our cities, your donations truly make a difference. On behalf of all those who will be assisted by this Appeal and to those who worked so hard to make this year's collection an outstanding success, I extend my heartfelt thanks.

With deep appreciation and gratitude, I am

Sincerely yours in the Lord,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "George W. Coleman".

Bishop of Fall River