

*“Where one alone may be overcome,  
two together can resist. A three-ply cord  
is not easily broken.”*



**ECCLESIASTES**



Heavenly Father,  
In unity, we gather before You,  
seeking the success of our Diocesan  
Annual Appeal. Reflecting on  
Ecclesiastes 4:12, we recognize the  
strength of solidarity between each  
other and You, our Lord, a cord of  
three that is not easily broken. God  
created the world to be a place of  
beauty, harmony, and unbroken  
fellowship with Him.

Drawing from the inspiration  
of Your servant, Father Joseph  
Walijewski, may this year's appeal  
flourish, enabling us to continue  
Your mission of love and mercy  
through our thirty-eight ministries,  
reaching out to those feeling  
isolated and comforting the  
afflicted, teaching the faith,  
and reflecting the spirit of  
Christ's selfless love.

We place our trust in Your Divine  
providence, knowing that with You,  
we are never alone. In the name of  
Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray.

Amen.

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