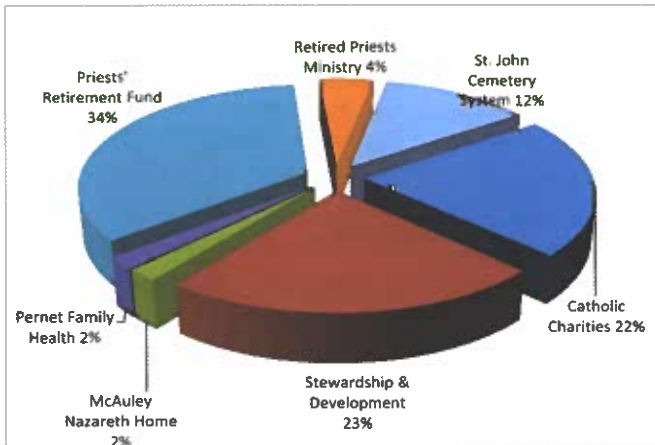
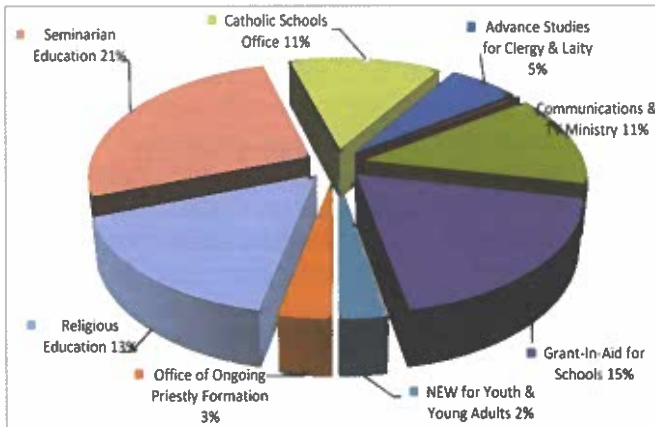


*“I am 90 years old and I have been donating since it was called the Bishop’s Fund. My finances have changed over the years and I can give only so much to Partners in Charity, but I feel good knowing that part of my gift each year is helping a priest in retirement. God Bless You!” Norman C.*

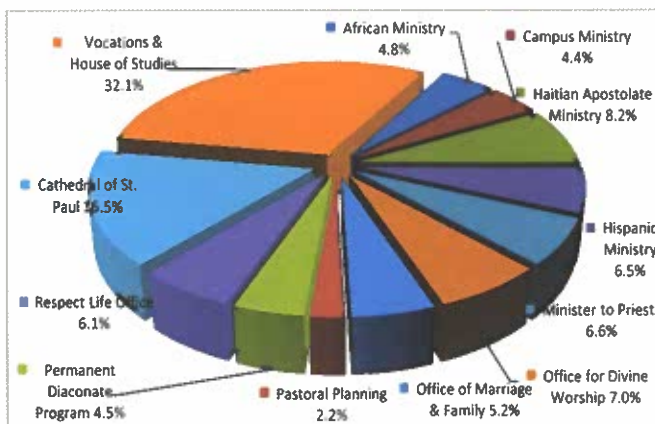
**Charity \$1.6m**



**Education \$2.4m**



**Ministry \$1.0m**



## Giving Joyfully in Gratitude

The 2017 annual Partners in Charity Appeal ended on August 31, 2017 with a total of \$5,125,527 from 17,248 donor households to support our 29 agencies and ministries in the Fiscal Year beginning on September 1, 2017. The charts at the left demonstrate how your donations are being allocated.

The Circle of Giving Benefactors is a group of individuals who accept a leadership role in the work of the local Church through their support of the Partners in Charity Appeal. As Circle members, they pledge to become partners in a shared vision for the future of the Diocese of Worcester by setting an example of good stewardship and by reaching out with charity to many thousands of people in need who are served by the ministries and programs of the Diocese.

Our leadership circles are helping us fulfill our mission!

*In the 2017 campaign, 4,309 donor households made commitments as members of the following societies:*

- 49—Holy Family Society**  
(\$7,500 or more)
- 60—St. Paul Society**  
(\$5,000 - \$7,499)
- 135—St. John Paul II Society**  
(\$2,500 - \$4,999)
- 300—St. John XXIII Society**  
(\$1,500 - \$2,499)
- 92—St. John Vianney Society**  
(\$1,000+ gifts made by priests)
- 559—St. Francis of Assisi Society**  
(\$1,000 - \$1,499)
- 1,462—St. Teresa of Kolkata Society**  
(\$500 - \$999)
- 1,744—Dorothy Day, Servant of God Society**  
(\$300 - \$499)

*Christmas Brunch for Societies*

