



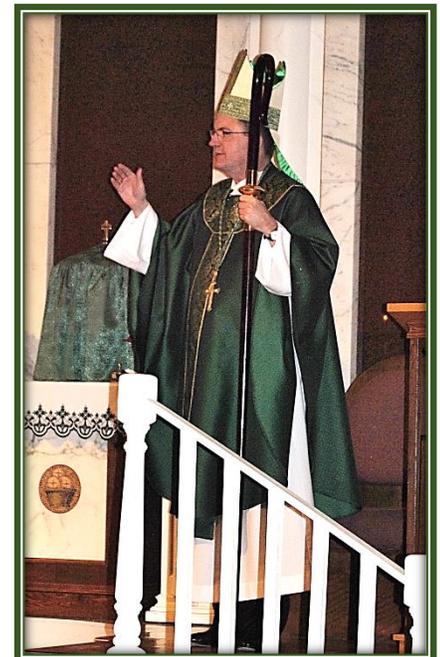
FAITH, A BISHOP, THE HANDS OF CHRIST'S MERCY, CMA



Bishop Barros was officially installed as the fifth Bishop of the Diocese of Rockville Centre on a snowy 31 January 2017. Less than one week later, on 5 February 2017, he *came home* to Our Holy Redeemer in Freeport and offered his first Sunday Mass as the Bishop of Rockville Centre! WHAT A BLESSING FOR OUR PARISH!

In thanksgiving for that blessing, parishioners of Our Holy Redeemer may recall that I asked them to consider making a pledge to the

2017 Catholic Ministries Appeal. It was my hope one year ago, that such an expression of gratitude would bring joy to our new Bishop's heart, and at the same time (in the words of Bishop Barros himself) "provide for our neighbours in need, help form our Priests and Deacons, open us up to Christ's love through our formation and Religious Education services, and support the programs and services that our parishes provide to hundreds of thousands of us every year." Many parishioners accepted that invitation and helped the Parish of Our Holy Redeemer place nearly \$90,000 in the hands of this critical ministry!



May I ask you to please join me in acknowledging our Bishop's two anniversaries (31 January and 5 February) and expressing our gratitude for our first year together as **ONE SHEPHERD, ONE FLOCK** (that is the title of his father's autobiography) with a "Happy Anniversary" card and contribution to **this year's CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL (CMA)?** *The hands of Christ's mercy* as extended by Bishop Barros have done great things for us, may our hands do great things for him and everyone he has been sent to serve. Who knows, perhaps he may be inspired to "come home" again.

The Most Reverend John O. Barros 50 North Park Avenue, Rockville Centre, NY 11571



2018 Catholic Ministries Appeal



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