Episcopal Ministries of Long Island

ANNUAL APPEAL TIMELINE

Feb 28th : Introduce the Episcopal Ministries Annual Appeal to your congregation

- Display posters
- Distribute brochures and envelopes,
- Announce that a special collection for Episcopal Ministries of L.I. will take place on March 6
- And most importantly, please encourage your parishioners to support the Appeal!

March 6th: Commitment Sunday

- Encourage parishioners to make a gift or a pledge to the Appeal.
- Share the message from Bishop Provenzano with your congregation.
- Distribute additional brochures or envelopes if necessary.
- Take up a special collection.
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March 13th: Follow up

- Take up a special collection again or make a basket/ box available for Appeal envelopes.
- Please mail the pledge envelopes along with the parish report form to Episcopal Ministries of L.I. as soon as possible so that we can acknowledge the donors in a timely manner and apply payments appropriately to pledges.

Please Also Note:

Volunteers (Episcopal Ministries Angels):

Many of you have Episcopal Ministries Angels to assist you with the Appeal. We encourage you to engage volunteers to help with the Appeal. If someone in your congregation is interested in helping and wants more information, please have them contact Tricia Vertucci (516-248-4800 x119 or tvertucci@dioceseli.org). On the evening of May 18, we will host a celebration of their ministry at Mercer in appreciation of all their efforts and their commitment to EMLI (more info to follow).

Envelopes:
We ask that you take up a special collection even though we are providing business reply envelopes that can be mailed directly back to EMLI. It assures that those gifts are correctly identified with your parish and people are also more likely to respond. Even with the best of intentions, we all know how easy it is to set aside the envelope to take care of "later".

Bulletin Announcement:
An announcement about the Annual Appeal will be included in the bulletin insert you receive from the diocesan communications office. If you would like copy for an e-newsletter or other parish communication, we can provide that for you electronically.

Pledges:
Pledges can be paid out over 10 months. It can be done through automatic payments with a credit card or we will mail monthly reminders if paying by check.