



“FROM THE DESK OF FATHER JONATHAN”



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As you get to know me better, I hope you will see that I don't want to spend much of my time as a "manager" of this parish, but rather as a "pastor". To do this, I am working to bolster and increase the great team of lay staff and volunteers who will do most of the managerial duties, so that together with the other priests in the parish, I can dedicate most of my time to YOU. Sometimes I will have to focus on some of the material and financial aspects of our life together, as every father and mother does. This weekend is one of those times. I am asking all of you to make a promise to help Cardinal Dolan in his 2015 campaign to raise money for services in the Archdiocese, including schools, homeless shelters and food banks, the seminary, etc. I care even more about the number of parishioners involved than the amount of money you give. Give everything you can and nothing more! I am going to give 10% of my priest salary as a sign to you that this is ALL of our responsibility as members of this wonderful Archdiocese that does so much for us, especially for the poor! To say thank you to all who are giving--no matter how much-- I am trying to call each one of you on the phone in these weeks. God bless you!!

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