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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our diocese is getting ready to again participate in #iGiveCatholic and I want to encourage your participation. Along with parishes and schools, many other Catholic organizations and ministries in our diocese have a giving page on the #iGiveCatholic platform. That means anyone, anywhere, will be able to find their parish, Catholic school, or favorite ministry program and make an online gift.

With over 1.6 million non-profit organizations in the U.S. that could participate in Giving Tuesday, the #iGiveCatholic initiative is an evangelizing opportunity to ensure that Catholic ministries are present and visible on this national day of “giving back.” For many, it is a day to remember how the Church has impacted their life and to express gratitude with an online donation.

All donations go directly to each organization; the diocese does not take a “cut” of the proceeds. Thanks to support from Catholic Extension, this year we are incentivizing participation with a contest. Cash gifts will be awarded to three organizations in our diocese that have the *highest percentage of new donors* this year. All you need to do is invite people to visit [www.igivecatholic.org](http://www.igivecatholic.org), click on the Upper Peninsula on the U.S. map, and make a gift.

The 24-hour giving day is **Tuesday, December 1<sup>st</sup>** from 12am to 11:59pm. The site will be open for early giving beginning November 16<sup>th</sup>.

Please contact Angelina at [ajuidici@dioceseofmarquette.org](mailto:ajuidici@dioceseofmarquette.org) for assistance. Resources can be found at <https://dioceseofmarquette.org/stewardshipdevelopment>.

With prayers that your heart be filled with the *Joy of the Gospel*, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

#iGIVECATHOLIC

Most Reverend John F. Doerfler, STD, JCL  
Bishop of Marquette