**In-Pew Script**

Commitment Weekend, February 3-4, 2024

**To be used by Pastor or Parish/Mission Administrator In-Pew Script**

“Good morning. Today we are participating in the annual campaign that asks all parishioners to make a financial commitment to the Archdiocese of Atlanta.

“As your pastor, I want to thank all of you who have given to this campaign in past years. I can assure you that the funds you give today will be deeply appreciated by the parishes, schools, and people served by the Archdiocese.

“Each of us is called to share his or her gifts in support of the Church. We must first support our parish, then our archdiocese, and then the Church throughout the world.

“The Annual Appeal of the Archdiocese of Atlanta not only funds the operations of the archdiocese, but it also funds services that are of great help to the ministries right here in our parish. The goal this year for the Annual Appeal is $9.4 million and we hope that everyone considers participating to reach 100% participation in the annual appeal.”

Our parish goal is $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

“Also, keep in mind that the archdiocese returns any funds that they receive over our parish goal up to 125% so that we can use that money to support our parish.”

“I now will ask one member of each household to complete a pledge card.”

“I am going to guide you through the process in order to minimize the time that it takes.”

“If you would like, you can take out your phone and scan the QR code to make your one-time gift or pledge online.”

**[Pause and wait.]**

“Please print your first name and your last name on the **first** line."

[Pause and wait until about half of those participating are looking back at you.]

“On the second line, please print your address including any unit or apartment number.

“On the next line, please print your city, state, and zip code."

**[Pause as above.]**

“Next, please print your primary email and then below your telephone number."

**[Pause as above.]**

**“** If you have already made your 2024 gift or will give online please check the box **I** **have already made my 2024 gift or will give online.**

“ Please **write in your total pledge amount on the line provided** or your one-time gift that you are including today.“

**[Pause as above.]**

**“If you’d like to set up a recurring gift** simply check “until I tell you to stop” and indicate if you want to pay monthly or quarterly.”

“Otherwise, would you like to pay your pledge monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or at year end? **Please check** either monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or year end according to how you’d like to pay your pledge.”

**[Pause as above.]**

“If you would like to help us conserve paper and postage, your pledge reminders could be sent to you by email instead of in the mail. If so, please check the I would like to receive Email Reminders box and make sure your email is included under your address."

**[Pause 5 seconds.]**

“If **you would like to make a gift today please mark Check/Cash enclosed**. If you would **like to make your payment by credit card or direct debit now please scan** the QR code, or visit donate.archatl.com to make a pledge or one-time gift online.”

Please place your completed pledge card and donation, if you are making one today, in the envelope and seal it.

“On behalf of the Archdiocese of Atlanta and myself, I sincerely thank you for your contribution to the Archbishop’s Annual Appeal. May God bless you!”

[Collect pledge cards/donations and prepare for gift processing.]