

January 6, 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I want to take a moment to express how deeply inspired I am by your faith and generosity. As we celebrate this Holy Year, your support allows us to share the Good News of Christ in every corner of our diocese, which is why I ask you to consider making a gift to the Help Spread the Faith Communications Collection, held the weekend of January 25-26, 2025.

The 2025 Jubilee invites us to be pilgrims of hope, and this month celebrates the *Jubilee of the World of Communications*. Mark 16:15 states: "Go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature."

Our diocesan Office of Communications is central to this calling. It supports me in uniting and evangelizing our Catholic family across all 13 counties of the Diocese of Erie. Through *Faith* Magazine, *Diocese of EriE-News*, and social media, we proclaim the Gospel, connect our community and inspire discipleship.

This year, I ask you:

- Were you inspired by an article shared in Faith Magazine?
- Have you learned about an historic event in our Catholic Church by reading Diocese of EriE-News or through our social media channels?
- Did your family find a new way to connect by reading the new *Jubilee Journey: Pilgrims* of *Hope* newsletter?

These vital communication tools are made possible through your contributions to this special collection. *Faith* Magazine reaches over 34,000 households and organizations – at no cost – sharing uplifting stories and reflections to deepen connections with Christ. On social media, we extend Christ's love beyond diocesan borders, inviting others to encounter him in new ways.

Your gift enables us to collaborate with parishes, schools and ministries, sharing their stories and providing resources to enrich their missions. Thank you for making this vital work possible.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persico

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL Bishop of Erie