



May 29, 2022

Dear Members and Friends of Dignity/New York,

Happy Birthday to us! In 2022, we celebrate the 50th anniversary of our community. In this Pride season, we certainly have much to be proud of: 50 years of support, worship, and witness. 50 years of working for equality and inclusion for LGBTQI people in the Catholic Church and beyond. 50 years of activism within the broader LGBTQI movement, through the height of the AIDS epidemic, the fight for our civil rights, and the struggle for marriage equality.

The past few years have certainly been tumultuous. During the Covid pandemic, we have innovated with online liturgies and now hybrid liturgies to serve the needs of our community. But we have lived through difficult times before, and have always emerged stronger in our faith and sense of community. Our mission remains as vital today as it was a half century ago.

To mark our 50th anniversary, we are planning many special events throughout 2022, starting with a picnic after our liturgy on **Pentecost Sunday, June 5th**. We will be participating in the Queens Pride Parade (also **Sunday, June 5th**) and the Brooklyn Pride Parade (**Saturday, June 11th**), as well as our annual Witness at St. Patrick's Cathedral and the NYC Pride March (**Sunday, June 26th**). Our annual Pride Liturgy will be held on **Saturday, June 25th**, at 6:30 PM at St. John's, to be followed by a social with food and drink. We are planning a festive anniversary dinner and liturgy for October. In addition, our Membership Outreach group is planning many social activities throughout the year.

We come to you once again, as we do every year at this time, to ask for your support so that we can continue with all our activities. The attached financial report shows our income and expenses over the first six months of the current fiscal year. As we returned to St. John's in June 2021, our expenses returned to a more normal and higher level. As you know, we count heavily on our Pride Appeal to help cover the difference between our weekly collections and our annual expenses.

This year we are sending out physical Pride Appeal letters as well as email letters. The Pride Appeal letter is also posted on our website: www.dignityny.org You may respond either by sending a check in the enclosed reply envelope to our mailbox (address below), by using the donate button on our website, or by online banking.

You may also use the reply form to renew your annual membership, which is a joint membership in Dignity/New York and DignityUSA. The fee is now \$60 per individual, or \$120 per couple. However, membership is available to all regardless of financial ability, so please let us know if you would like to be a member but need financial assistance to do so.

We look forward to seeing you at our activities as we celebrate this exciting anniversary year!

The Steering Committee of Dignity/New York

Chris Alberti, Danny Larkin, Tom McLoughlin, James Osbourn, Lewis Speaks-Tanner, and Jeff Stone



Financial Report
November 1st 2021 - May 1st 2022

Expenses	St. John's Rent	\$5,850.00
	Music Director	\$5,250.00
	Manhattan Mini Storage	\$1,799.00
	Community Building Social Events	\$1,029.75
	Scholarships for DignityUSA Conference	\$822.20
	Donation to Trinity Place Shelter	\$600.00
	Donation to St. Pat's for All	\$500.00
	Dignity New York Phone	\$463.55
	Reimbursements for Homily Preparation Expenses	\$399.73
	Booklets For Advent Lent and Easter	\$353.69
	Dignity USA Memberships Renewed Through Chapter	\$240.00
	Zoom Account Fees	\$132.01
	Gay Catholic Hour Archival	\$114.00
	Tax Preparation	\$79.75
	Poetry Books Read During Liturgy	\$36.16
	Pride Registration	\$25.00
	Total Expenses	\$17,694.84
Income	Collection and Check Donations	\$9,560.00
	Online Donations	\$4,820.00
	In Kind Donations	\$353.69
	Total Income	\$14,733.69



Pride APPEAL 2022

In support of Dignity/New York and all it is doing to serve the members of the LGBTQI community I wish to make the following donation:

Pride Appeal Donation: \$ _____

In addition, I/we wish to become a member of Dignity/New York and DignityUSA

- \$ _____
- \$60 single
- \$120 couple
- \$160 household

In addition, I/we wish to renew my/our joint Dignity/New York and DignityUSA membership

- \$ _____
- \$60 single
- \$120 couple
- \$160 household

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Please make out all checks to: Dignity/New York

If you prefer to use a credit card: Use the "Donate Now!" button on our website, DignityNY.org, which will take you to the DignityUSA website. Your contribution will be directed to Dignity/New York.

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