



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I write to welcome you to the website for Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Raleigh. As Bishop of Raleigh, I want you to know what a privilege it is to be able to serve those who are most in need in our communities. My gratitude is extended to the dedicated staff and selfless volunteers and benefactors of Catholic Charities who help make this possible.

The basis for the work of Catholic Charities is imitation of Christ. In the Gospels, Jesus identifies Himself strongly with compassion for the poor and the marginalized. When we give food to the hungry, drink to the thirsty, and clothes to the naked, we are seeing the face of Christ in each of those we serve.

One of the core values of Catholic Charities is service to those who are most vulnerable and most in need in our communities, regardless of their religious faith. For over 100 years, Catholic Charities has served the people of eastern North Carolina. In recent years, over 70,000 people annually have received disaster relief, emergency assistance, food and supplies, family support services, counseling, immigration assistance, and many other human services.

I invite all those who visit this website to join me in offering prayerful support for those whose burdens are lifted and lives are improved through the work of Catholic Charities. May Our Lord Jesus keep those who are most vulnerable always in His loving care.

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Michael F. Burbidge'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge  
Bishop of Raleigh