

Diocese of Davenport

2020 MISSION APPEALS PROJECT:

MAKE ALL DONATIONS TO:

Diocese of Davenport
Attn: Nancy Karn
780 West Central Park Ave.
Davenport, IA 52801

Memo Line of Check: Write the name of the Mission.

PLEASE DO NOT SEND FUNDS DIRECTLY TO THE MISSION.

GROUP 20. DIOCESE OF BATTICALOA, SRI LANKA

The Diocese of Batticaloa is engaged in re-evangelization, training programs for the lay people, interreligious dialogues, sustaining orphanages, education programs for students and training programs for catechists.

The Diocese is comprised of Hindus, Buddhist, Muslims and Christians. Christians are a minority in Sri Lanka as well as Eastern Province.

Sri Lanka has gone through 30 years of civil war as well as natural disasters like Tsunami, cyclone, floods and drought etc. Batticaloa district in the Eastern Province has substantial challenges since the end of war in May 2009 an ISIS suicide attack took place on the Catholic, Christian churches and hotels killing over 260 and injuring 500 people.

Funds from Mission appeal will be utilized for the following projects:

1. Healing and Reconciliation – Program focus on the students. The program will provide basic education and knowledge on three major religions.
 2. Supporting the children with special needs - The diocese has started a special home The Ozanam for the children with special needs.
 3. Pastoral Biblical Ministry – The Diocese will focus in re-evangelization programs. Bible classes will be conducted at parish level, bible competitions, training programs for small Christian Communities and regular bible seminars for catechists will be given.
 4. Formation of Youth – Youth will be trained in psychological, Social life in order to become active leaders, new evangelizers, co-workers to make up various types of ministries, services, functions within the diocesan and parishes.
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Who will benefit directly from funds – Direct beneficiaries of these projects; schools children and the lay people.

PARISH ASSIGNED:

PARISH		LINKS:	MISSIONARY REPRESENTATIVE:
St. Mary Church	Williamsburg	https://battidiocese.org/	Rev. Francis X. Dias
St. Patrick Church	Marengo	A brief outlook	
St. Joseph Church	North English		