About David Sellery



David is a storyteller at heart, with decades of experience helping faith communities inspire, engage, and grow. The author of two books, including his most recent work, *The Heart of Giving*, he explores fundraising and stewardship as a ministry of connection and hope. For many years, David has provided weekly reflections to the Episcopal Church through *Episcopal Café*, *The Text This Week*, and his own video/audio series *Fr. Sellery Presents*.

A seasoned nonprofit leader, David currently serves as **Senior Director of Fund Development for Catholic Charities, Archdiocese of Hartford**, where he oversees all philanthropic efforts to support essential services for those in need. Previously, he led development for the **Order of Malta**, raising over **\$22.3 million** to strengthen both local ministries and international works.

An experienced content creator, David develops branded, ready-to-use communications that help congregations and nonprofits maintain a consistent, inspiring presence in newsletters, social media, stewardship campaigns, and other communication pieces. His creative portfolio also includes work as **Executive Producer** for two award-winning films: *The Gate of Heaven*, commemorating the 175th Anniversary of Saint Thomas Church and recipient of the **CINE Golden Eagle Award** and **Communicator Award of Excellence** (1999); and *Chance of a Lifetime*, a Saint Thomas Choir School recruitment film honored with the **Bronze Telly Award** (1999).

Ordained as an Episcopal priest for over 30 years before his 2024 conversion to the Catholic Church, David draws from extensive pastoral experience and practical communication skills. Whether in the pulpit, in print, or online, he is dedicated to crafting messages that keep communities united, inspired, and moving forward in their mission.

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