



ARCHDIOCESE OF SANTA FE

The Catholic Center

April 6, 2020

Pastors, Administrators and Parish Life Coordinators:

Listed below is the list of the **2021 SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

COLLECTION FOR:	ANNOUNCED ON:	TAKEN ON:
1. Catholic Relief Services	March 7, 2021	March 14, 2021 4 th Sunday of Lent
2. Good Friday Collection	March 26, 2021	April 2, 2021 Good Friday
3. *Brothers of the Good Shepherd	April 18, 2021	April 25, 2021 4 th Sunday of Easter
4. **National Black and Indian Mission Office	May 9, 2021	May 16, 2021 3 rd Sunday of May
5. Peter's Pence	June 20, 2021	June 27, 2021 Sunday nearest to the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul
6. Catholic Charities	August 8, 2021	August 15, 2021 3 rd Sunday of August
7. Seminarian Support	September 5, 2021	September 12, 2021 2 nd Sunday in September
8. Mission Sunday	October 17, 2021	October 24, 2021 Next to last Sunday in Oct.
9. Catholic Campaign for Human Development	November 14, 2021	November 21, 2021 Sunday before Thanksgiving
10. ***Annual Appeal for Retired Religious	December 5, 2021	December 12, 2021 2 nd Sunday in December

* A,B, and C Deaneries only

** A portion of this collection is allocated to the Catholic Home Mission

*** As designated in 2012 the December retirement collection will be allocated 50/50 between the Retirement Fund for Religious (RFR) and the Archdiocesan Priest Retirement Fund (APRF).

See back page for explanations of the collections.

Sincerely,


Very Reverend Glennon Jones
Vicar General

2021 SPECIAL COLLECTIONS EXPLANATION

1. **Catholic Relief Services** Provides funding for Catholic Relief Services, USCCB Department of Social Development and World Peace, relief work of the Holy Father, USCCB's Migration and Refugee Services, and the Catholic Legal Immigration Network.
2. **Good Friday Collection** Pontifical Collection. Collects funds for support of the Holy Places, but above all, for those pastoral, charitable, educational and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities.
3. ***Brothers of the Good Shepherd** Archdiocesan campaign which provides funding to help the Good Shepherd Center.
4. ****National Black and Indian Mission Office** The National Collection for Black and Indian people continues as the embodiment of the Church's concern for evangelizing the Black and Indian peoples of the United States. The funds are distributed as grants to dioceses throughout the United States, supporting and strengthening evangelization programs which otherwise would cease. The collection was formerly known as The Black and Indian Home Mission Collection.
***A portion of this collection is allocated to the Catholic Home Missions.**
This appeal strengthens the Catholic Church in the United States and its territories where resources are thin and priests are few. The Appeal also supports about 25 organizations and religious communities engaged in home mission work. The appeal funds a wide range of pastoral services, including evangelization, religious education, the maintenance of mission parishes, the training of seminarians and lay ministers, and ministry with ethnic groups, especially Hispanics.
5. **Peter's Pence** The Peter's Pence Collection enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to requests to aid the most needy throughout the world--those who suffer as a result of war, oppression, and natural disasters. It likewise provides the faithful with a tangible opportunity to not only empower the weak, defenseless, and voiceless, but also sustain those who suffer.
6. **Catholic Charities** Archdiocesan campaign to benefit the programs and services that the Catholic Charities provides.
7. **Seminarian Support** Archdiocesan campaign for the support of local seminarians in their studies and formation.
8. **Mission Sunday** Mission Sunday is celebrated in all the local Churches as the feast of catholicity and universal solidarity so Christians over the world recognize their common responsibility with regard to the evangelization of the world.
9. **Catholic Campaign for Human Development** The Catholic Campaign for Human Development addresses the root causes of poverty in America through promotion and support of community-controlled, self-help organizations and transformative education.
10. *****Annual Appeal for Retired Religious** The Retirement Fund for Retired Religious distributes basic, supplemental and special assistance retirement grants from the fund to religious institutes based on a formula and criteria approved by the conferences of major superiors and bishops. **As designated in 2012 the December retirement collection will be allocated 50/50 between the Retirement Fund for Religious (RFR) and the Archdiocesan Priest Retirement Fund (APRF).**