

NATIONAL COLLECTIONS SCHEDULE FOR 2015/2016

COLLECTIONS USING USCCB TRANSMITTAL FORMS

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COLLECTION	SCHEDULED	PRINCIPAL	EXPLANATION	SEND PROCEEDS TO:
Collection for the Church in Latin America (CLA)	Fourth Sunday in January January 25, 2015 January 24, 2016	United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) Office of National Collections Rev. Juan Molina, O.S.S.T. Director of Collection 3211 Fourth Street, NE Washington, DC 20017-1194	The Collection for the Church in Latin America supports pastoral programs as awarded by the Subcommittee on the Church in Latin America throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. Projects include the work of evangelization, formation of laity, religious and seminarians, as well as youth ministry and catechesis. Funding is limited to programmatic expenses and excludes building construction except in cases of emergency.	100% to: Office of National Collections Church in Latin America P.O. Box 96278 Washington DC 20090-6278
Collection for Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe (CCEE)	Ash Wednesday February 18, 2015 February 10, 2016	USCCB Office of National Collections Dr. Declan Murphy Director of Collection 3211 Fourth Street, NE Washington, DC 20017-1194	This collection provides aid by the Subcommittee on Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe through bishops' conferences of Central and Eastern Europe and the ex-Soviet Union to meet the needs of rebuilding the Church. It focuses on training seminarians and lay leaders, supporting social service programs, youth ministry, pastoral and catechetical centers, schools, church construction and renovation, and evangelization through Catholic media.	100% to: Office of National Collections Collection for the Church in Eastern Europe P.O. Box 96278 Washington DC 20090-6278
The Catholic Relief Services Collection (formerly the American Bishops Overseas Appeal)	Laetare Sunday, i.e., Fourth Sunday of Lent March 15, 2015 March 6, 2016	USCCB Office of National Collections 3211 Fourth Street, NE Washington, DC 20017-1194	This collection provides funding for Catholic Relief Services; the USCCB Offices of International Justice and Peace, Migration and Refugee Services, and Pastoral Care for Migrants and Refugees; relief work of the Holy Father; and the Catholic Legal Immigration Network.	100% to: Office of National Collections The Catholic Relief Services Collection P.O. Box 96278 Washington DC 20090-6278
Catholic Home Missions Appeal (CHMA)	Last Sunday in April April 26, 2015 April 24, 2016	USCCB Office of National Collections 3211 Fourth Street, NE Washington, DC 20017-1194	Launched in 1998, the Appeal strengthens the Catholic Church in the United States and its territories in 87 Latin and Eastern Catholic dioceses. The Subcommittee on the Catholic Home Missions funds a wide range of pastoral services, including evangelization, religious education, and the maintenance of mission parishes, the training of seminarians and lay ministers, and ministry with ethnic groups.	100% to: Office of National Collections Catholic Home Missions Appeal P.O. Box 96278 Washington DC 20090-6278

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Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC)	Sunday between Ascension Thursday and Pentecost May 17, 2015 May 8, 2016	USCCB Office of the Secretary of Communications Ms. Helen Osman Secretary of Communications 3211 Fourth Street, NE Washington, DC 20017-1194	The essential mission of the CCC is to contribute to the process of evangelization by fostering activities in relation to television, radio, internet, and other media, and through special projects of the Catholic press. An annual collection is taken up in the dioceses, which remit 50% of the funds collected to the National Office. From these funds, grants are made by the USCCB Subcommittee on the Catholic Communication Campaign. The remaining portion of the collection is retained by the dioceses for use in local communication projects.	50% to: Office of National Collections Catholic Communication Campaign P.O. Box 96278 Washington DC 20090-6278
Peter's Pence Collection (Collection for the Holy Father)	Sunday nearest the Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul June 28, 2015 June 26, 2016	The Apostolic Nunciature Sr. Maria Carmen Grogan, RSM 3339 Massachusetts Ave, NW Washington, DC 20008	The Peter's Pence Collection enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to requests to aid the neediest 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.	100% to: The Apostolic Nunciature 3339 Massachusetts Ave, NW Washington, DC 20008 (with copy of transmittal form to: Office of National Collections 3211 Fourth Street NE Washington, DC 20017-1194)
Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)	Sunday before Thanksgiving November 22, 2015 November 20, 2016	USCCB Office of National Collections 3211 Fourth Street, NE Washington, DC 20017-1194	The Collection for 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. Grants are awarded by the Subcommittee on the Catholic Campaign for Human Development with the approval of local bishops.	75% to: Office of National Collections Catholic Campaign for Human Development P.O. Box 96278 Washington DC 20090-6278

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Retirement Fund For Religious	Second Sunday in December December 13, 2015 December 11, 2016	CMSM, CMSWR, LCWR, USCCB National Religious Retirement Office Sr. Janice B. Bader, CPPS Executive Director 3211 Fourth Street, NE Washington, DC 20017-1194	The Retirement Fund for Religious (RFR) provides funding to any religious institute in the U.S. that is listed in the religious institute section of the OCD with an identifying OCD number, and that has an unfunded past service liability. It distributes direct care, planning and implementation assistance from the fund to religious institutes based on a formula and criteria approved by the conferences of major superiors and bishops. Annual appeal begun in 1988 and approved through 2017.	100% to: National Religious Retirement Office Retirement Fund for Religious P O Box 96988 Washington DC 20090-6988
Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa	Decided by diocese	USCCB Office of National Collections Mr. Patrick Markey 3211 Fourth Street, NE Washington, DC 20017-1194	Through the Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa the Subcommittee on the Church in Africa provides grants to finance pastoral projects that support the maintenance and growth of the Church in Africa. Funded projects include outreach programs, schools, evangelization, and education of clergy and lay ministers.	100% to: Office of National Collections Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa P.O. Box 96278 Washington DC 20090-6278

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Black and Indian Missions	First Sunday in Lent February 22, 2015 February 14, 2016	The Commission for the Catholic Missions Among the Colored People and the Indians Rev. Wayne C. Paysse Executive Director 2021 H Street, NW Washington, DC 20006-4207	Mandated by the III Plenary Council in 1884, the 125 year old 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.	100% to: Black and Indian Mission Office 2021 H Street, NW Washington, DC 20006-4207
CRS Rice Bowl	Individual and Family Offerings throughout Lent 2/18/2015 – 4/5/2015 2/10/2016 – 3/27/2016	Catholic Relief Services Ms. Elizabeth Martin P.O. Box 17090 Baltimore, MD 21297-0303	Not a parish collection but a program run in schools and parishes. ORB provides funding for Catholic Relief Services' food security projects which support agriculture, nutrition, education, and self-sufficiency in communities around the world. 75% is remitted to CRS for overseas projects and 25% may be retained in the diocese for local antipoverty programs.	75% to: Catholic Relief Services Operation Rice Bowl P.O. Box 17090 Baltimore, MD 21297-0303 Find diocesan transmittal form at crsricebowl.org/dioceses
Pontifical Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land	Good Friday April 3, 2015 March 25, 2016	Commissariat of the Holy Land Rev. Larry Dunham The Franciscan Monastery 1400 Quincy Street, NE Washington, DC 20017	Pontifical Collection. Collect 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.	100% to: Regional Commissariat of the Holy Land Washington, DC, St. Louis, MO, Los Angeles, CA
The Catholic University of America	First or Second Sunday in September September 6 or 13, 2015 September 4 or 11, 2016	The Catholic University of America Office of the President Mr. John H. Garvey, President 620 Michigan Ave., NE Washington, DC 20064	Provides funding for academic scholarships at The Catholic University of America in Washington, DC in response to the commitment made by the bishops at its foundation in 1887. It is the only U.S. university with Pontifical faculties. Students are enrolled from all 50 states and almost 100 countries in 12 schools.	100% to: Catholic University of America Office of the President 620 Michigan Ave., NE Washington, DC 20064

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World Mission Sunday	Next-to-last Sunday in October October 18, 2015 October 23, 2016	The Society for the Propagation of the Faith National Office Very Rev. Andrew Small, O.M.I., S.T.D. National Director 70 West 36 th Street, 8 th Floor New York, NY 10018	In 1926 Pope Pius XI instituted Mission Sunday for the whole Church with the first worldwide Mission Sunday collection taking place in October 1927. The Mission Sunday collection is always taken on the next to last Sunday during the month of October. That day is celebrated in all the local Churches as the feast of catholicity and universal solidarity so Christians the world over will recognize their common responsibility with regard to the evangelization of the world.	91% to The Society of the Propagation of the Faith 70 West 36 th St., 38 th Fl. New York, NY 10018 9% to Catholic Near East Welfare Association 1011 First Avenue New York, NY 10022-4195
Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services	Sunday before Veteran's Day, every third year Not taken in 2015 November 6, 2016	Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA P.O. Box 4469 Washington, DC 20017-0469	Currently, 285 Catholic military chaplains provide pastoral care to over 1.5 million Catholics on ships, in combat, on bases and in 153 VA hospitals. The Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services will fund their Co-Sponsored Seminarian Program, which identifies vocations within the military and is now educating 30 men for the priesthood and subsequent military chaplaincy.	100% to Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA P.O. Box 4469 Washington, DC 20017-0469