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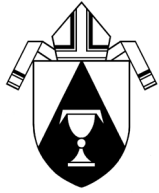
DATE: July 29, 2019  
TO: Pastors, Parochial Administrators, and Parish Secretaries  
FROM: Chantal LeFevre, Associate Director of Operations, The Catholic Foundation  
SUBJECT: **2020 SCHEDULE OF USCCB AND OTHER SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

Special Collections are scheduled during the year to communicate and support the particular needs of the national and universal Church. For this reason, all parishes throughout the Diocese are asked to participate in Special Collections throughout the year (see 2020 approved schedule).

Approximately one month prior to each Special Collection, each Pastor (Parish) will receive information to help promote the upcoming collection in the bulletin and from the pulpit. Payment processing instructions will also be included for your reference.

Should you have any questions regarding this schedule or a specific Special Collection, please contact The Catholic Foundation office at 916-733-0266 or [clefevre@scd.org](mailto:clefevre@scd.org).

Thank you.



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| January                                                                | <i>No Special Collections</i>                                                                                                           |
| <b><i>February 22/23 Annual Catholic Appeal Commitment Weekend</i></b> |                                                                                                                                         |
| March 21/22 ( <i>Laetare Sunday</i> )                                  | The Catholic Relief Services Collection (shared w/Church in Central & Eastern Europe)                                                   |
| April 10 ( <i>Good Friday</i> )                                        | Pontifical Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land                                                                                     |
| April 25/26                                                            | Catholic Home Missions Appeal (shared w/Black & Indian Missions)                                                                        |
| May 23/24                                                              | Catholic Communication Campaign<br><b><i>50% will remain in our Diocese to help support our local communications efforts.</i></b>       |
| June 27/28                                                             | Peter's Pence Collection (Collection for the Holy Father)                                                                               |
| July                                                                   | <i>No Special Collections</i>                                                                                                           |
| August 8/9                                                             | Church in Latin America                                                                                                                 |
| September 5/6                                                          | Diocesan Collection for Priests Retirement                                                                                              |
| October 17/18                                                          | World Mission Sunday                                                                                                                    |
| November 21/22                                                         | Catholic Campaign for Human Development<br><b><i>25% will remain in our Diocese to help support our local anti-poverty efforts.</i></b> |
| December 12/13                                                         | Retirement Fund for Religious                                                                                                           |

**ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUPPORT**

**Missionary Cooperative Appeal**

The Office of Catholic Charities and Social Concerns will provide assistance to parishes for this annual appeal. All funds collected throughout the Diocese will be equally divided among the 50 missionary organizations visiting the Diocese of Sacramento this year. This collection is held **between the months of May and September** on a mutually agreed upon weekend by the pastor and the assigned mission organization.

**CRS Rice Bowl**

The Office of Catholic Charities and Social Concerns will provide assistance to parishes interested in implementing Operation Rice Bowl held during Lent—***February 26 – April 12***—for the benefit of Catholic Relief Services. ***25% will remain in our Diocese to help support our local anti-poverty efforts.***

**2020 Annual Catholic Appeal**

The Catholic Foundation will provide assistance to parishes for our diocesan appeal. ***Commitment Weekend will be held February 22/23 unless otherwise instructed. 25% is returned to the donor's parish to help support local social service ministries.***