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TO: Pastors, Parochial Administrators, and Parish Secretaries

FROM: Chantal LeFevre, Associate Director of Operations, The Catholic Foundation

SUBJECT: REVISED 2020 SCHEDULE OF USCCB AND OTHER SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

The national collections provide essential support and give donors ways to express charity and solidarity and share in the universal work of the Church. For this reason, all parishes throughout the Diocese are asked to participate in Special Collections throughout the year (see 2020 REVISED schedule).

We ask that you continue to encourage parishioners to mail collection envelopes to the parish. If you have the capability, please also include the national collections in your parish e-giving systems.

For those parishes that do not have e-giving options, The Catholic Foundation will be providing a link through the diocesan website for parishioners to participate electronically. These links will be provided in the bulletin announcements for each collection moving forward.

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

Thank you.



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2020 SCHEDULE OF USCCB AND OTHER SPECIAL COLLECTIONS - REVISED

January No Special Collections

February 22/23 Annual Catholic Appeal Commitment Weekend

March 21/22 (*Laetare Sunday*) The Catholic Relief Services Collection (shared w/Church in Central &

Eastern Europe)

April 25/26 Catholic Home Missions Appeal (shared w/Black & Indian Missions)

May 23/24 Catholic Communication Campaign

50% will remain in our Diocese to help support our local

communications efforts.

July No Special Collections

August 8/9 Church in Latin America

September 5/6 Diocesan Collection for Priests Retirement

September 12/13 Pontifical Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land

October 3/4 Peter's Pence Collection (Collection for the Holy Father)

October 17/18 World Mission Sunday

November 21/22 Catholic Campaign for Human Development

25% will remain in our Diocese to help support our local

anti-poverty efforts.

December 12/13 Retirement Fund for Religious

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUPPORT

Missionary Cooperative Appeal

Will take place between the months of May and September in 2021.

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—<u>February 26 – April 12</u>—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. <u>Commitment Weekend</u> <u>will be held February 22/23 unless otherwise instructed.</u> 25% is returned to the donor's parish to help support local social service ministries.