

2023

ARCHDIOCESAN COLLECTIONS & OFFERINGS

Category Key

Special Collection:	Obligatory national and international collections. Parishes are directed to provide offering envelopes and encourage parishioners to participate.
Collection Request:	Parishes are requested to provide offering envelopes to their parishioners and/or to encourage participation.
Archdiocesan Campaign:	Annual effort to secure financial support for the Archdiocese of Seattle (Annual Catholic Appeal).
Parish Based Campaign:	Assists parishes in support of their annual renewals of Stewardship for Talent and Treasure.

JANUARY

January 28th – 29th Special Collection: **NORTHWEST CATHOLIC/Catholic Communications Campaign**

NORTHWEST CATHOLIC is the official publication of the Archdiocese of Seattle, mailed 6 times each year to every registered Catholic household in Western Washington. In addition to the print magazine, Northwest Catholic includes a news website, NWCatholic.org; a weekly email newsletter; and social media outreach on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Northwest Catholic's mission is to promote the new evangelization and form disciples by proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ. A percentage of this collection goes to the U.S. bishops' Catholic Communication Campaign. Please remit collections to: CCAS, [Insert in check memo line: NW Catholic Collections (Parish ID #)] 710 9th Ave., Seattle, WA 98104 Contact: Steve Homiack, 206-903-4619/ 1-866-381-2033; steve.homiack@seattlearch.org

FEBRUARY/MARCH

February 11th - 12th Special Collection: **Prepares Collection**

(There will be an envelope designated in parishioner envelope packet starting this year). This collection, on behalf of the statewide bishops, is a direct mail & in-pew solicitation managed by Catholic Community Services of Western Washington (CCSWW)

A statewide initiative of the Catholic Bishops of Washington State, Pregnancy & Parenting Support (**PREPARES**) supports parish-based outreach to pregnant and parenting families of all faiths in building healthy support networks. By offering holistic, life-affirming resources, PREPARES provides for the emotional, material, and spiritual needs of families, from pregnancy to a child's fifth birthday. This collection will help families across Washington build strong foundations for years to come. Please remit collection contributions to: CCS- Prepares, P.O. Box 24842, Seattle, WA 98124. Contact: Rosemary Zilmer 206-328-5706 or rosemaryz@ccsww.org.

February 25th – 26th Special Collection: **Catholic Home Missions**

Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the United States are considered home mission territory because they are unable to fund the essential pastoral work needed in their communities. These dioceses face challenges due to priest shortages, lack of funds, remote geography, or impoverished parishes. Through annual grants, the Catholic Home Mission Collection funds catechesis, seminarian education, lay ministry training, Hispanic ministry and other pastoral programs. As a result of parishioners' generosity, Catholic Home Missions impacts the lives of nearly nine million Catholics in the United States. Please remit collections to: CCAS [Insert in check memo line: Catholic Home Missions (Parish ID #)] 710 9th Ave., Seattle, WA 98104. Contact: Steve Homiack, 206-903-4619/ 1-866-381-2033; steve.homiack@seattlearch.org

Lent: February 22nd – April 7th Collection Request: **CRS Rice Bowl**

This Lenten program has a fundraising component to it, along with resources for prayer, fasting and learning. 75% of donations fund Catholic Relief Services' agriculture, health and educational projects overseas. 25% is distributed as grants in Western Washington for local anti-hunger projects. Please remit offering to: CCAS [Insert in check memo line: Rice Bowl (Parish ID #)] 710 9th Ave., Seattle WA 98104. Contact: Steve Homiack, 206-903-4619; steve.homiack@seattlearch.org

March 18th – 19th

Special Collection: **Catholic Relief Services Collection**

Mandated by the USCCB, providing for Catholic Relief Services; USCCB's Dept. of Justice, Peace and Human Development; the Holy Father's relief fund; CLINIC; and USCCB's Migration and Refugee Services. Please remit collections to: CCAS [Insert in check memo line: CRS Collection (Parish ID #)] 710 9th Ave., Seattle, WA 98104

Contact: Steve Homiack, 206-903-4619; steve.homiack@seattlearch.org

APRIL / MAY

April 7th

Collection Request: **Holy Land Good Friday Envelope Offering**

This Pontifical collection is for the 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. Materials provided by the (Franciscan) Commissariat for the Holy Land each year are posters and a letter to pastors. Parishes are asked to request a Good Friday donation envelope in their packets from their envelope companies each year.

Please remit collections to: CCAS [Insert in check memo line: Holy Land (Parish ID #)] 710 9th Ave., Seattle, WA 98104

Contact: Steve Homiack, 206-903-4619/ 1-866-381-2033; steve.homiack@seattlearch.org ; www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday

Archdiocesan Campaign: **Annual Catholic Appeal**

April 22nd – 23rd

Appeal Kickoff (AB letter to be mailed on Apr. 17th)

April 29th – 30th

Presentation/Ask 1

May 6th – 7th

Presentation/Ask 2

May 13th – 14th

Follow Up/Ask 1

May 20th – 21st

Follow Up/Ask 2

The Annual Catholic Appeal provides a portion of the financial resources needed for the central budget of the Archdiocese. It funds over 60 ministries and services throughout our Western Washington communities, including pastoral care and outreach ministries, faith formation, Catholic schools, youth and young adults, seminarian education, family and cultural ministries and Catholic community services, among many others. Contact: Carolyn Foster, 206-382-4274; carolyn.foster@seattlearch.org

JUNE / JULY / AUGUST

June 24th – 25th

Special Collection: **Peter's Pence**

Peter's Pence collection allows local Catholics to join the works of the Holy Father in helping to relieve the suffering of the world's most vulnerable; victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Please remit collections to: CCAS [Insert in check memo line: Peters Pence (Parish ID #)] 710 9th Ave., Seattle, WA 98104. Contact: Steve Homiack, 206-903-4619/ 1-866-381-2033;

steve.homiack@seattlearch.org

Collection Request: **Mission Cooperation Plan**

MCP is an annual program that gives mission causes an opportunity to educate about God's work among the poor and to raise funds for the building up of the Church in mission territories, typically during weekend liturgies. The MCP assists mission-sending societies in their appeals for funds and vocations and helps connect parishes to an individual mission cause. The MCP transfers the burden of choosing from the many requests, often providing weekend help, and enabling parishioners to hear of missionary and young church experience - an opportunity that continues to help promote solidarity with the universal Church. Please remit collection contributions to: CCAS, [Insert in check memo line: (Name of Mission Cause) (Parish ID#)] 710 9th Ave., Seattle WA 98104

Contact: Ann Shikany, 206-274-3142; ann.shikany@seattlearch.org

SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER

September 16th – 17th

Special Collection: **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**

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. National grants are awarded by the U.S. bishops' Subcommittee on CCHD with the approval of local bishops. Local, smaller, grants are awarded by the Archbishop.

Please remit collection contributions to: CCAS [Insert in check memo line: CCHD (Parish ID #)] 710 9th Ave., Seattle, WA 98104.

Contact: Steve Homiack, 206-903-4619; steve.homiack@seattlearch.org

Archdiocesan Campaign: **Parish Stewardship Yearly Commitment Renewal:
Stewardship of TALENT**

September 23rd – 24th
Sept. 30th - October 1st
October 7th - 8th

Announcement/Education
Presentation/Ask 1
Follow Up/Ask 2

During the Parish Stewardship Yearly Talent/Ministry Commitment Renewal, parishioners are asked to fill out and return a commitment card, pledging to give to their parish through ministry involvement for the coming year.

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OCTOBER / NOVEMBER

In October Envelope Packet

Priest Pension Fund Envelope Offering

Parishes of the Archdiocese served by diocesan priests are asked to include in their envelope packets an envelope designated to the Priest Pension Fund. This collection ensures ongoing support for priests who have served us for so many years. Please remit collection contributions to: CCAS [Insert in check memo line: Priest Pension Offering (Parish ID #)] 710 9th Ave., Seattle, WA 98104.

PLEASE NOTE: This is not a gift to the *Called to Serve as Christ* campaign. The *Called to Serve as Christ* campaign supports priests, sisters and parishes. Contact: Steve Homiack, 206-903-4619/ 1-866-381-2033; steve.homiack@seattlearch.org

October 14th – 15th

Special Collection: **World Mission Sunday**

Mission Sunday is celebrated the world over. Remembering that we are baptized and sent as a Universal Church, this collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith ensures the work and service of the Mission Church, as it supports mission priests, religious Sisters and Brothers, and lay catechists who are Christ's witnesses to the most vulnerable communities. Please remit collection contributions to: CCAS [Insert in check memo line: World Mission Sunday (Parish ID #)] 710 9th Ave., Seattle, WA 98104

Contact Steve Homiack, 206-903-4619; steve.homiack@seattlearch.org

Archdiocesan Campaign: **Parish Stewardship Yearly Commitment Renewal -
Stewardship of TREASURE**

October 21st – 22nd

Stewardship Kickoff

October 28th – 29th

Presentation/Ask 1

November 4th – 5th

Presentation/Ask 2

November 11th - 12th

Follow Up/Ask 1

November 18th - 19th

Follow Up/Ask 2

During the Parish Stewardship Yearly Commitment Renewal, parishioners are asked to fill out and return a commitment card, pledging to give to their parish for the coming year. Contact: Steve Homiack, 206-903-4619/ 1-866-381-2033; steve.homiack@seattlearch.org or Carolyn Foster, 206-903-4620; carolyn.foster@seattlearch.org

DECEMBER

Recommended Dates: December 2/3 or December 9/10

Collection Request: **Catholic Community Services of Western Washington:
CCS Appeal for the Poor**

Each year the CCS Appeal for the Poor informs parishioners about the work of Catholic Community Services and Catholic Housing Services (CCS/CHS). CCS/CHS are our Catholic Charities in Western Washington. Every year CCS/CHS serves, on average, 100,000 poor and vulnerable people in Western Washington through more than 170 programs. This collection is used to support programs and services in your local area, and 92¢ of every dollar goes directly to serving those in need. Please remit collection contributions to: CCS Appeal for the Poor, P.O. Box 24842, Seattle, WA 98124. Contact: 206-328-5707, development@ccsww.org