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To: Pastors, Parish Administrators, Parish Secretaries and Bulletin Editors

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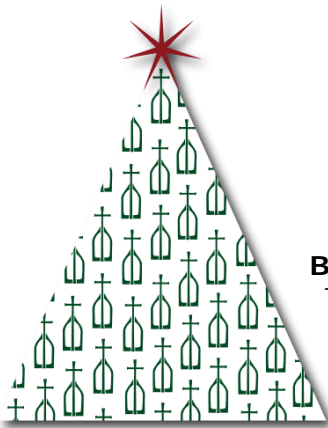
Re: Second Collection for Catholic Charities Atlanta - Christmas

The second collection for Catholic Charities Atlanta is held each year on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

As a ministry rooted in the gospel, Catholic Charities Atlanta values the dignity and uniqueness of each person, provides compassionate service, advocates for social justice and partners with the community, including the archdiocese and its parishes.

Catholic Charities provides a holistic combination of accredited social services that remove barriers to self-sufficiency and wholeness - their services are tailored to the unique circumstances of the people they serve.

Please promote this collection with enthusiasm in the pulpit announcements, Sunday bulletin and website.



2017 CHRISTMAS SECOND COLLECTION

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

BULLETIN/PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR DECEMBER 16-17:

The Christmas Eve and Christmas Day second collection will benefit Catholic Charities Atlanta, a 64-year legacy in Georgia of charity for our most needy brothers and sisters and a mission inspired by our Catholic faith. Many of the clients are members of the working poor who work several jobs and long hours to support their families. Many of these individuals are also facing a life crisis, alone and frightened. Catholic Charities Atlanta staff help to identify their problems and provide them with the resources to put them on the path to independence.

Catholic Charities services are aimed at empowering people to utilize their strengths and resources to meet their individual and family needs. Please give generously where it truly counts. Please support Catholic Charities to provide help and create hope for individuals and families facing challenges in our community, struggling on the margins of society, and living in poverty.

ANUNCIO PARA EL BOLETÍN/PÚLPITO DICIEMBRE 16-17: La segunda colecta durante la víspera de Navidad y el día de Navidad beneficiará a Caridades Católicas de Atlanta. Durante 64 años, Caridades Católicas de Atlanta ha servido a nuestros hermanas y hermanos más necesitados en Georgia, una misión inspirada en nuestra fe católica. Muchos de sus clientes pertenecen a la clase obrera trabajadora y trabajan varios turnos y largas horas para mantener a sus familias. Muchos también están enfrentando una crisis en sus vidas y están solos y asustados. El personal de Caridades Católicas de Atlanta les ayuda a identificar sus problemas y les proporciona los recursos para lograr la autosuficiencia y la independencia.

Los servicios de Caridades Católicas de Atlanta están orientados a capacitar a las personas para utilizar sus fortalezas y recursos con el fin de satisfacer sus necesidades individuales y familiares. Por favor donen generosamente a una causa que realmente cuenta. Ayuden a Caridades Católicas a proporcionar ayuda y crear esperanza a todas las personas y familias que enfrentan retos en nuestra comunidad, a nuestros hermanos que viven en la pobreza y a aquellos que se encuentran en las márgenes de nuestra sociedad.

BULLETIN/PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR DECEMBER 24-25:

Today's second collection benefits Catholic Charities Atlanta. Last year, Catholic Charities served over 16,000 families and individuals. When families are barely keeping things together, one unexpected challenge can completely disrupt everything. Within a short period of time that "one" problem begins to impact nearly every facet of the family's life.

Your gift to Catholic Charities will allow them to continue to share the gift of hope this Christmas season. Every donation—large or small—nourishes the hope of those most vulnerable and helps families get back on the road to independence. Please give generously to the second collection today!

ANUNCIO PARA EL BOLETÍN/PÚLPITO PARA DICIEMBRE 24-25: La segunda colecta de hoy beneficiará a Caridades Católicas de Atlanta. Caridades Católicas ayudó a más de 16.000 familias e individuos el año pasado. Cuando las familias apenas pueden mantenerse a flote, cualquier problema inesperado puede desequilibrarlo todo completamente. Dentro de un corto período de tiempo "ese" problema comienza a afectar casi todas las áreas de la vida familiar.

Su donación a Caridades Católicas le permitirá a esas familias seguir compartiendo el regalo de la esperanza durante esta temporada de Navidad. Toda donación, grande o pequeña, alimenta la esperanza de aquellos más vulnerables y ayuda a las familias a volver al camino de la independencia. ¡Por favor done generosamente a la segunda colecta de hoy!