



Memo

Date: April 2, 2024

To: Pastors, parish administrators, parish secretaries and bulletin editors

From: Francesca Lupinetti, programs & support services marketing specialist, Office of Mission Advancement

Re: Second collection – April 28, Catholic Home Mission

The following are pulpit/bulletin announcements for April 27-28, second collection for the Catholic Home Mission. Please encourage your parishioners to be generous!



Strengthening the Church at Home

**Catholic Home Missions Appeal – 2nd Collection
April 27-28**

Soon, parishes across your diocese will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal to support those in the United States dioceses that face fragile financial situations, vast distances or rugged terrain that significantly impacts their ability to offer the most basic pastoral programs to the faithful. The generosity of your parishioners makes a difference for our brothers and sisters across the country. You can support this appeal by mentioning it at Mass on the collection weekend and using the following bulletin and pulpit announcements below. You can also find more information and materials at lifeofthechurch.com/donate.

Bulletin Announcements

ENGLISH

WEEK BEFORE THE APPEAL – April 20 – 21

Next week, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, nearly 40 percent of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at lifeofthechurch.com/donate.

WEEK OF THE APPEAL – April 27-28

Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! Nearly 40 percent of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at lifeofthechurch.com/donate.

THE WEEK AFTER THE APPEAL - May 4-5

Thank you for your generous support of last week's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. As a parish, we raised \$[AMOUNT] to strengthen the Church at home and spread the Gospel across the United States. If you missed the appeal, it's not too late to give! Just visit lifeofthechurch.com/donate.

SPANISH

SEMANA ANTES DE LA COLECTA – 20 y 21 de abril

La próxima semana realizaremos la colecta para las Misiones Católicas. Actualmente, cerca del 40 por ciento de las diócesis en los Estados Unidos y sus territorios no pueden financiar las labores pastorales básicas que necesitan sus comunidades. Su apoyo a esta colecta ayuda a satisfacer estas necesidades sacramentales y de formación en la fe. Por favor, consideren en sus oraciones la manera de apoyar esta colecta. Pueden encontrar más información en lifeofthechurch.com/donate.

SEMANA DE LA COLECTA – 27 y 28 de abril

¡Apoyen hoy a la colecta para las Misiones Católicas! Cerca del 40 por ciento de las diócesis en los Estados Unidos y en sus territorios son consideradas territorio misionero, ya que no pueden financiar las labores pastorales básicas que se necesitan en sus comunidades. Su apoyo financia la educación religiosa, la formación de seminaristas, la capacitación de ministros laicos y otros programas que forman comunidades de fe entusiastas, aquí mismo, en

los Estados Unidos. Por favor, sean generosos. Pueden encontrar más información en lifeofthechurch.com/donate.

SEMANA DESPUÉS DE LA COLECTA – 4 y 5 de mayo

Muchas gracias por apoyar generosamente la semana pasada a colecta para las Misiones Católicas. Como parroquia, hemos recaudado \$[CANTIDAD] para fortalecer la Iglesia aquí y difundir el Evangelio en todo Estados Unidos. ¡Si no alcanzaron a contribuir a la colecta, ¡aún pueden hacerlo! Solo visiten lifeofthechurch.com/donate.

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