



Memo

Date: April 3, 2023

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

From: Nancy Stoehr, coordinator of stewardship and development, Office of Stewardship

Re: Second collection – Catholic Home Mission



Strengthening the Church at Home

**Catholic Home Missions Appeal – 2nd collection
April 29-30**

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 www.usccb.org/home-missions/collection.

Bulletin Announcements

ENGLISH

WEEK BEFORE THE APPEAL – April 22-23

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 it. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

WEEK OF THE APPEAL – April 29-30

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 www.usccb.org/home-missions.

WEEK AFTER THE APPEAL – May 6-7

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 www.usccb.org/home-missions.

SPANISH

SEMANA ANTES DE LA COLECTA – 22 y 23 de abril

La próxima semana llevaremos a cabo la colecta para las Misiones Católicas. Hoy, 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 les ayuda a satisfacer estas necesidades de formación en la fe y de los sacramentos. Por favor, considere en sus oraciones la manera de apoyarla. Pueden encontrar más información en www.usccb.org/home-missions.

SEMANA DE LA COLECTA – 29 y 30 de abril

¡Apoyen la colecta de hoy para las Misiones Católicas! Cerca del 40 por ciento de las diócesis en los Estados Unidos y sus territorios es considerado territorio misionero, ya que estos lugares no pueden financiar las labores pastorales básicas que comunidad necesita. 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 www.usccb.org/home-missions.

SEMANA DESPUÉS DE LA COLECTA – 6 y 7 de mayo

Muchas gracias por su generoso apoyo a la colecta de la semana pasada para las Misiones Católicas. Como parroquia, hemos recaudado \$[CANTIDAD] para fortalecer la Iglesia aquí y difundir el Evangelio en todos los Estados Unidos. ¡Si no alcanzaron a contribuir, aún pueden hacerlo! Solo visiten www.usccb.org/home-missions.

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<https://archatl.com/offices/stewardship/second-collection/>

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