

DIOCESE OF LAS VEGAS
2019 SECOND COLLECTION DATES

January 27, 2019	Church in Latin America/Church in Eastern Europe	Support for various pastoral projects throughout Latin America and the Caribbean is made possible through the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Projects are at the continental, regional, diocesan and local levels, and include the work of evangelization, formation of laity, religious and seminarians, as well as youth ministry and catechesis. Funding is limited to programmatic expenses and excludes building construction except in cases of emergency. This special collection channels aid through the bishops' conferences of Central and Eastern Europe to meet the needs of rebuilding the Church: training seminarians and lay leaders, supporting social service programs, youth ministry, pastoral and catechetical centers, schools, church construction and renovation, and evangelization through Catholic mass media.
February 17, 2019	Catholic Home Missions Appeal and Black and Indian Missions	<p>Launched in 1998, the Appeal strengthens the Catholic Church in the United States and its territories in the Caribbean and the Pacific where resources are thin and priests are few. Grantees include 87 Latin and Eastern Catholic dioceses. The appeal funds a wide range of pastoral services including evangelization, religious education, and the maintenance of mission parishes, the training of seminarians and lay ministers, and ministry with ethnic groups.</p> <p>Since 1884, proceeds from the Black and Indian Missions Collection (BIM) are distributed as grants to dioceses supporting and strengthening evangelization programs, which would otherwise be in danger of disappearing among the Black, American Indian, Eskimo, and Aleute communities of the United States.</p>
March 6, 2019 Ash Wednesday	Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada Faces of Hunger	As we begin the season of Lent, this special collection of almsgiving aids direct services to the poor in Southern Nevada.
March 31, 2019	Catholic Relief Services	Provides funding for Catholic Relief Services; USCCB Office of International Justice and Peace, Migration and Refugee Services, and Pastoral Care for Migrants and Refugees; relief work of the Holy Father; and the Catholic Legal Immigration Network.

April 19, 2019	Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land	The Collection for the Holy Land, in the words of Paul VI, is "not only for 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."
May 19, 2019	Catholic Communications Campaign/ Catholic University of America	<p>The essential mission of the CCC is to contribute to the process of evangelization by fostering activities in relation to television, radio, internet, and other media, and through special projects of the Catholic press. An annual collection is taken up in the diocese which remits 50% of the funds collected to the National Office. From these funds, grants are made by the USCCB Subcommittee on the Catholic Communication Campaign. The remaining portion of the collection is retained by the dioceses for use in local communication projects.</p> <p>Provides funding for academic scholarships at The Catholic University of America in Washington, DC in response to the commitment made by the bishops at its foundation in 1887. Catholic University is the only U.S. university with Pontifical faculties. Students are enrolled from all 50 states and almost 100 countries in 12 schools.</p>
June 30, 2019	Peter's Pence	The Peter's Pence Collection enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to requests to aid the neediest throughout the world—those who suffer as a result of war, oppression, and natural disasters. It likewise provides the faithful with a tangible opportunity to not only empower the weak, defenseless, and voiceless, but also sustain those who suffer.
July 21, 2019	Diocesan Elementary Catholic School Tuition Assistance	This fund distributes money for tuition assistance for students in need in the parochial elementary school system in the Diocese of Las Vegas.
August 18, 2019	Diocesan Rural Parish Appeal	This collection is used to help sustain rural parishes that could not otherwise remain open. Many of these parishes are long distances from the next neighboring parish and serve populations that are small and, therefore, unable to maintain ministries and buildings completely on their own.
September 22, 2019	Seminary and Clergy Education and Development	This collection aids in the payment of tuition for men studying for the Diocese of Las Vegas who are discerning a vocation to the priesthood. Another portion of this collection is used as supplemental funding to assist priests of the Diocese of

October 20, 2019	World Mission Sunday	In 1926 Pope Pius XI instituted Mission Sunday for the whole Church with the first worldwide Mission Sunday collection taking place in October 1927. The Mission Sunday collection is always taken on the next to last Sunday during the month of October. That day is celebrated in all the local Churches as the feast of catholicity and universal solidarity so Christians the world over will recognize
November 3, 2019	Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA	This unique Archdiocese is faced with many challenges, including a severe shortage of Catholic priest-chaplains, a flock spread out among military installations across the world, and constant transition. The AMS receives no funding from the military or the government and must rely solely on private donations. Catholic service members and their families, and veterans cared for in a Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, deserve the same faith opportunities as Catholics here at home, their faith should not be part of the sacrifices they make. Not Taken in 2020 or 2021 per USCCB.
November 24, 2019	Catholic Campaign for Human Development	The Catholic Campaign for Human Development was mandated by the U.S. bishops to address the root causes of poverty in America through promotion and support of community-controlled, self-help organizations and transformative education.
December 8, 2019	Retirement Fund for Religious	The Retirement Fund for Religious (RFR) provides funding to any religious institute in the U.S. that is listed in the religious institute section of the OCD with an identifying OCD number, and that has an unfunded past service liability. It distributes direct care, planning and implementation assistance from the fund to religious institutes based on a formula and criteria approved by the conferences of major superiors and bishops. Annual appeal begun in 1988 and approved through 2018.