

**Diocesan Special Collections Dates
Diocese of Winona-Rochester 2021-2023**

| Collection | Date Of Collection | Occurrence |
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| Latin American (50 percent) Catholic Communications (50 percent) | January 24, 2021 January 23, 2022 January 22, 2023 | <p>4th Sunday in January:</p> <p>The Collection for the Church in Latin America supports pastoral programs as awarded by the Subcommittee on the Church in Latin America throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. Projects 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.</p> <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 dioceses, which remit 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> |
| Church in Central and Eastern Europe | February 17, 2021 March 2, 2022 February 22, 2023 | <p>Ash Wednesday:</p> <p>This collection provides aid by the Subcommittee on Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe through bishops' conferences of Central and Eastern Europe and the ex-Soviet Union to meet the needs of rebuilding the Church. It focuses on training seminarians and lay leaders, supporting social service programs, youth ministry, pastoral and catechetical centers, schools, church construction and renovation, and evangelization through Catholic media.</p> |
| Rice Bowl (Catholic Charities) | During Lent | <p>During Lent:</p> <p>We are motivated by the example of Jesus Christ to assist poor and suffering people in 93 countries on the basis of need, without regard to race, religion or nationality. Through CRS Rice Bowl, we hear stories from our brothers and sisters in need worldwide, and devote our Lenten prayers, fasting and gifts to change the lives of the poor.</p> |
| Catholic Relief Services | March 14, 2021 March 27, 2022 March 19, 2023 | <p>4th Sunday of Lent:</p> <p>This collection provides funding for Catholic Relief Services; the USCCB Offices 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.</p> |

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| Holy Land | Good Friday April 2, 2021 April 15, 2022 April 7, 2023 | Good Friday: 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." |
| Catholic Charities | Mothers' Day May 9, 2021 May 8, 2022 May 14, 2023 | 2 nd Sunday in May: |
| Peter's Pence | June 27, 2021 June 26, 2022 July 2, 2023 | Sunday in June closest to Feast of SS Peter and Paul on June 29: 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. |
| Catholic Home Missions (50 percent) Black and Native American (50 percent) | August 29, 2021 August 28, 2022 August 27, 2023 | Last Sunday in August unless it occurs on Labor Day weekend, then will be the Sunday before: Launched in 1998, the Appeal strengthens the Catholic Church in the United States and its territories in 87 Latin and Eastern Catholic dioceses. The Subcommittee on the Catholic Home Missions 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. 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. |
| Propagation of Faith (Mission Sunday) | October 24, 2021 October 23, 2022 October 22, 2023 | 2 nd to the last Sunday in October: By Baptism, all Catholics are called to participate in the mission of the Church, called to share their faith as missionaries. World Mission Sunday gathers support for the pastoral and evangelizing programs and needs of more than 1,150 mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and remote regions of Latin America. The funds gathered on World Mission Sunday are distributed in the pope's name by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith—a Pontifical Mission Society. |

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| <p>Campaign for Human Development</p> | <p>November 21, 2021 November 20, 2022 November 19, 2023</p> | <p>Sunday before Thanksgiving Day:</p> <p>The Collection for the 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. Grants are awarded by the Subcommittee on the Catholic Campaign for Human Development with the approval of local bishops.</p> |
| <p>Retirement Fund for Religious (90 percent) Catholic University (10 percent)</p> | <p>December 12, 2021 December 11, 2022 December 10, 2023</p> | <p>2nd Sunday in December:</p> <p>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 2017.</p> <p>The Catholic University of America, located in Washington, D.C., is the national university of the Catholic Church. Founded in 1887, CUA offers students an excellent education in a faith-filled atmosphere that is grounded in the Catholic intellectual tradition. The Collection for The Catholic University of America underwrites scholarships to assist financially deserving students in completing their education at CUA in over 50 disciplines.</p> |
| <p>Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services</p> | <p>Not taken in 2021 November 6, 2022 Not taken in 2023</p> | <p>Sunday before Veterans' Day <u>every third year</u>:</p> <p>This collection provides funding for Catholic Relief Services; the USCCB Offices 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.</p> |