

DIOCESE OF MADISON INTERNATIONAL COMBINED COLLECTION

International Combined Collection

With our combined collection we ask for your substantial assistance to help several worthy and needy causes, through this one appeal supporting mission and ministry throughout the world. The envelope provides the opportunity for you to support all or some of the mission/ministries described in this brochure. With your help and that of others, we can make a difference in the lives of many. For more information on combined collections, contact the Diocese of Madison at 608-821-3042.



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**“Charity, patience and tenderness are very beautiful gifts.
If you have them, you want to share them with others.”**

—POPE FRANCIS

World Mission Sunday

The Society for the Propagation of the Faith is one of the four Pontifical Mission Societies that annually celebrates World Mission Sunday (WMS). WMS recognizes our catholicity and universal solidarity with Christians the world over, and our common responsibility with regard to the evangelization of the world. *How Does Your World Mission Sunday Gift Help?* \$20 can assist with building a chapel in the Fiji Islands. \$40 can provide support for a catechist in Peru. \$100 can support a sister in Kenya serving among homeless children. \$1,000 can provide a home, food, medical help and education for orphans in Thailand. \$3,500 can help support two girls’ homes in Sri Lanka. These funds are then distributed in their entirety to missions throughout the world as they share the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Church in Latin America

This collection supports pastoral projects that enrich the lives of believers throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. These are people who long to continue to build upon the traditions of their Catholic faith. In many instances, collected funds provide the only resources individual parishes have to sustain the development of their parishioners. Your gift helps with the formation of seminarians, religious sisters and brothers, and lay leaders serving the Church.

Peter’s Pence

The Peter’s Pence collection is a gesture of solidarity through which every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church. The faithful’s offerings to the Holy Father through the Peter’s Pence Collection are destined for Church needs, for humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as for support for the Holy See.

Church in Central and Eastern Europe

For many in the Church of Central and Eastern Europe, the aftermath of 70 years of Soviet rule and atheism are still evident every day. This collection helps bring the light of Christ to the faithful affected by the darkness of war, violence, and loss of families and homes, and provides other essential funding in the region. Your support of this collection is a tangible way of assisting the Church’s response and outreach to those affected and displaced by violence.

Catholic Relief Services

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) works at home and abroad to give aid to struggling, poor families. The six worldwide organizations supported by CRS provide immediate humanitarian aid, help obtaining asylum, pastoral support, and disaster relief to more than 100 million people who are most in need.

Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa

This collection provides the basic resources that the Church in Africa needs in its pastoral mission to deepen the faith of its people, evangelize its neighbors, strengthen its leadership and promote peace and justice. Support for this fund makes a real difference in the faith lives of individuals, families, and communities across Africa.



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