



Office of Financial Services

TO: Pastors, Ministers of Parish Life, Rectors of Chapels and Oratories,
Parish Secretaries, Parish Bookkeepers
FROM: Brian Mooney, CFO
DATE: March 2017
SUBJECT: Special Collection Dates for 2018

In accord with Canon 1266 of the Code of Canon Law the following collections are to be taken up in all the churches, missions and oratories, which are, in fact, open to the Christian faithful, including those belonging to religious institutes. Only for serious reasons and with the permission of the Vicar General are these collections not to be taken up in each parish and mission

In order to assist all parishes and missions within the Diocese of San Jose with their pastoral planning as well as to facilitate cooperation with envelope providers, the following schedule of dates for diocesan directed collections in the calendar year **2018** is announced.

Date	Collections
January 28	Ethnic Minorities and Latin America
February 14 (Ash Wednesday)	Aid to Churches in Eastern and Central Europe
March 11	Catholic Relief Services, formerly known as Bishops' Overseas Relief
March 30 (Good Friday)	Holy Land
April 22	*Diocesan Priest Retirement Fund
April 29	Home Missions
May 13	Catholic Communications
May 20	**Catholic Charities (send donation directly to Catholic Charities)
TBD (June-August (Negotiate with Missions Office))	Mission Co-op
July 01	Peter's Pence Collection for the Holy Father
August 12	Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa
September 09	Catholic Education
October 21	World Mission Sunday (not to be confused with the Missionary Co-Op collection during the summer)
November 18	Catholic Campaign for Human Development
December 09	Retirement Fund for Religious

All collected funds for each collection except Catholic Charities should be deposited by the parish/mission in its bank account and an exchange check made out to the "Diocese of San Jose" should be sent to the Chancery as promptly as possible, **but not later than six weeks from the date or collection** (Cf. Canon 1266).

*Diocesan Priest Retirement Fund - as recommended by Council of Priests on March 9, 2017

**NOTE: Special forwarding instructions apply to the Catholic Charities collection: Undeposited funds are to be sent directly to Catholic Charities at 2625 Zanker Rd. Ste. 200 San Jose, CA 95134.