

**Diocese of Jefferson City
Jefferson City, Missouri
Prescribed Collections for 2017 and 2018**

Collection	2017	2018
Catholic Relief Services and Development (3 in 1)	March 26	March 11
Infirm Priest Fund and Priest Retirement (Assessed)	April 16	April 1
Catholic Home Missions Appeal	April 30	April 29
Trinity Dome – National Shrine Collection (one time collection)	May 14	
Communication and Education	May 28	May 20
Diocesan Mission Collection	July 16	July 15
Retirement Fund for Religious	August 20	August 19
World Mission Collections	October 22	October 21
Archdiocese for the Military Services	not until 2019	not until 2019
Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)	November 19	November 18
Seminarian Formation and Priest Retirement (Assessed)	December 25	December 25

Text to be imprinted on Special Envelopes:

CATHOLIC RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT (3 in 1) – 4th Sunday of Lent: March 26, 2017; March 11, 2018.

Includes three collections:

1. CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES: Help needy, sick and hungry overseas.
2. PETER'S PENANCE: Support the Holy Father's office and charities.
3. HOLY LAND: Support sacred shrines and Church work in the Holy Land.

INFIRM PRIEST FUND AND PRIEST RETIREMENT – Easter Sunday: April 16, 2017; April 1, 2018. Your contribution helps maintain a reserve fund for out-of-the-ordinary health needs of priests not covered by health insurance and funds retirement needs of our older priests who gave decades of service to our parishes throughout the Diocese of Jefferson City.

TRINITY DOME – NATIONAL SHRINE COLLECTION – Mother's Day Weekend: May 14, 2017. One-time appeal to assist in bringing to completion the construction of the Great Upper Church begun in 1955. Supports the work of the Trinity Dome at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL – Last Sunday in April: April 30, 2017; April 29, 2018. A collection to support the mission dioceses, organizations and religious institutions funded by the American Board of Catholic Missions.

COMMUNICATIONS AND EDUCATION – Pentecost Sunday: May 28, 2017; May 20, 2018. Includes two collections:

1. COMMUNICATIONS: Using TV, radio and media to spread the Gospel.
2. CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY: Educate leaders for our Church and country.

DIOCESAN MISSION COLLECTION – Third Sunday of July. July 16, 2017; July 15, 2018. Annual collection to support diocesan mission efforts in Peru and to assist the mission Church in critical areas around the world.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS – Sunday on or after the feast of the Assumption: August 20, 2017; August 19, 2018. A nationwide appeal to assist congregations of sisters, brothers and religious priests to care for their elderly who have served in various ministries in the country.

WORLD MISSION COLLECTIONS – 2nd last Sunday of October: October 22, 2017; October 21, 2018.

Includes two collections:

1. PROPOGATION OF THE FAITH: World Missions and Near East Missions.
2. BLACK & INDIAN HOME MISSIONS: Help poor parishes and schools.

MILITARY SERVICES COLLECTION – Sunday before or after Veteran Day: No collection for 2017, No collection for 2018. To provide the Gospel, Sacraments and other spiritual support for the United States armed forces – serving those who serve.

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT – Sunday before Thanksgiving: November 19, 2017; November 18, 2018. American Catholics at Thanksgiving express thanks to God for the many blessings they receive by contributing to self-help projects of poor in the U.S.A. so they can work themselves out of poverty.

SEMINARIAN FORMATION AND PRIEST RETIREMENT – Christmas: December 25, 2017 and 2018. Your contribution helps fund the expenses incurred with formation of priestly candidates currently in the seminary and the retirement needs of our older priests who gave decades of service to our parishes throughout the Diocese of Jefferson City.