



ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BOISE

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Memorandum To: Pastors, Administrators and Parish Life Directors
From: Marcella Wilske, Chancellor
Subject: Special Collection Information 2012

Parishes will shortly be ordering envelopes for 2012. As in the past, the special collections are spread throughout the year. The SAME special collections will be taken up in 2012 as in 2011. Two of the collections are not on the standard dates.

The seven collections and scheduled dates for 2012 are as follows:

1. January 29, 2012 - Black and Indian Missions/Home Missions (normally taken up on the first Sunday of Lent). Include in regular envelope packs
2. March 4, 2012 - Idaho Catholic Appeal (Second Sunday of Lent) - Envelopes will be provided by the diocese
3. April 22, 2012 - The Catholic Relief Services Collection (normally taken up on the 4th Sunday of Lent). Collection also includes USCC Migration and Refugee Services. Include in regular envelope packs
4. June 10, 2012 - Support for Diocesan Vocations
5. September 2, 2012 - Diocesan Priests/Special Needs - Diocese of Boise. Include in regular envelope packs
6. October 21, 2012 - World Mission Sunday – for the Propagation of the Faith. (Next to last Sunday in October). Include in regular envelope packs
7. November 18, 2012 - Catholic Campaign for Human Development – (Sunday before Thanksgiving). Include in regular envelope packs

The Diocese recommends that all special collections EXCEPT the Idaho Catholic Appeal be made part of the regular envelope packs since that makes it easier for parishioners to contribute. The Diocese will provide extra envelopes for collections as available and will forward educational material and posters received for some of the collections. In some cases, the Special Collection groups may send extra envelopes direct to the parishes to be placed in the pews and vestibule for those not receiving envelopes. Educational material may also be provided.

There has been a very good response to these special collections over the years that they have been in use. Use of special collection envelopes in the regular envelope distribution packs has proved very helpful in this increase.