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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The national collection for Catholic Relief Services is scheduled for March 13-14, 2021. Your support of this collection serves Jesus in the guise of the poor and vulnerable in some of the most marginalized communities in our world.

A wide range of organizations receive funds for disaster relief, legal services for immigrants and asylum seekers, and educational opportunities for refugees in war-torn areas of the world. Even the pastoral care of maritime workers (sailors, fishers, and harbor workers) is supported so that their work does not isolate them from the Mass and sacraments and the Church community.

The Collection supports six Catholic agencies that prioritize the family and protect the life and dignity of each person:

- Catholic Relief Services (CRS) for international relief and development
- Migration and Refugee Services (MRS) for refugee resettlement
- Catholic Legal Immigration Network Inc. (CLINIC) for immigration legal services
- Dept. of Justice, Peace, and Human Development (JPHD) for advocacy
- Holy Father's Relief Funds for emergency relief
- Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church for evangelization and ministry

The opportunities to serve *Jesus in Disguise* are vast, and your generosity makes a difference for so many around the globe. Taking Mother Teresa's words to heart, "We ourselves feel that what we are doing is just a drop in the ocean. But the ocean would be less because of that missing drop," our contributions whatever the amount, together are appreciated.

Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ *Charles C. Thompson*

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