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## Church in the United States

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Dear

The call to support our brothers and sisters is not new; however, it is a request that happens frequently during personal times of trouble. If you have been blessed in your life, we humbly ask that you share that blessing by donating to five ministries that provide meaningful assistance to not only the people in our archdiocese, but also of our nation. The Combined Collections: Church in the United States appeal offers a wonderful opportunity to sustain ministries that have an important impact on our brothers and sisters:



"This is why I want a Church which is poor and for the poor. They have much to teach us. Not only do they share in the sensus fidei, but in their difficulties they know the suffering Christ. We need to let ourselves be evangelized by them ...' - Pope Francis

Black and Indian Mission reaches out to those who seek Christ in what is often a hostile environment. Approximately half of the funds collected are returned to our archdiocese for

grants to assist local projects and initiatives, such as the Congregation of the Great Spirit and the Black Catholic Ministry.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) confronts the causes of poverty, rather than merely treating its symptoms. With the archbishop's approval, CCHD makes both national and local grants each year to create jobs, improve education and strengthen neighborhoods.

Catholic University of America is the national university of the Catholic Church. This collection underwrites scholarships to assist financially deserving students in completing their education, including many who come from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

Catholic Communications Campaign develops media programming and resources that promote Gospel values. Within the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, thousands of Catholics enjoy hearing spiritual messages from the archbishop on local radio and through social media.

Retirement Fund for Religious distributes grants to religious institutes for the retirement needs of senior religious priests, brothers and sisters.

Your generosity in the past is evidence of your commitment to providing assistance for people in need. We hope you will be supportive of these most worthy efforts again this year.

Most Rev. Jerome E. Listecki Archbishop of Milwaukee

With assurances of prayers, we are,

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Most Rev. Jeffrev R. Haines Auxiliary Bishop of Milwaukee

Most Rev. James T. Schuerman Auxiliary Bishop of Milwaukee

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