



August 7, 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I ask for your support of the Catholic Education Collection being held on the weekend of September 16-17.

This annual second collection supports lifelong education and faith formation opportunities for everyone throughout our entire diocese. Please generously support this collection. You play an integral part in our success in nurturing growth in mind, heart and spirit of the faithful.

Half of the funds raised from this collection remain in your parish to support your local education and faith formation programs. The other half provides funds across the diocese for ministry and leadership training, technology support, creative projects in faith formation, as well as tuition assistance for families attending Catholic schools. A small portion also supports The Catholic University of America.

Thank you for your generosity. Contributions can be made directly at your parish or online at <https://www.eriercd.org/cec.html>. Be assured of my prayers for you and your family. With every best wish, I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persico

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL
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