



August 5, 2019

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The yearly Catholic Education Collection is an opportunity for parishioners to show their support of life-long faith formation initiatives.

To be taken up on the weekend of September 14-15, the Catholic Education Collection supports faith formation opportunities for everyone throughout our entire diocese. Almost every aspect of parish life is touched by faith formation, from religious education and family life to service and worship.

Please generously support this collection. Half of the funds raised from this collection remain in your parish to support its educational and faith formation programs. The other half is granted throughout the diocese to fund programs like leadership training, tuition assistance, workshops and conferences and training for pastoral ministers. A small portion also supports The Catholic University of America which promotes Catholic Social Teaching and the training of priests, religious and lay leaders.

Contributions can be made at your parish or online at www.ErieRCD.org/Catholic-Education-Collection.html. Thank you for your generous support. Be assured of my prayers for you and your families.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persico

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL
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