

DIOCESE OF ERIE SPECIAL COLLECTIONS 2023

- Flexible Date..... **Priestly Education and Care Collection** (optional)
- January 1 to Ash Wed. **Food Bank Collection** (for Second Harvest or other food bank – excluding Food for the Poor – for parishes not serviced by Second Harvest) (optional)
- January 22..... **Help Spread the Faith Communications Collection** (supporting *Faith Magazine* and *Catholic Communications*)
- February 19..... **Catholic Services Appeal (Commitment Sunday)**
- Lent (February 22)..... **Operation Rice Bowl** (optional)
- April 7 **Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land**
- April 30 **Good Shepherd Collection**
- May 21..... **International Needs Collection** (combined collection for *Catholic Relief Services*, *Church in Central and Eastern Europe*, and *Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa*.)
- July 2 **Collection for the Holy Father (Peter’s Pence)**
- July 16 **National Needs Collection** (combined collection for *Catholic Home Mission Appeal* and *Black and Indian Home Missions*)
- August 20 **Church in Latin America Collection**
- September 17 **Catholic Education Collection**
- October 22..... **Mission Sunday Collection**
- November 19..... **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**
- December 10..... **Retirement Fund for Religious**
- (As arranged by Diocesan Mission Office).... **Missionary Cooperative Plan**