

## Share YOUR Faith



Help the Church in  
Latin America

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## Special Collection for the Church in Latin America

February 2-3, 2019

The special collection for the Church in Latin America, to be held on Feb. 2-3, 2019, supports the work of pastoral projects in Latin America and the Caribbean. For many living in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, rural terrain and a shortage of priests make it difficult for people to practice their faith. When you support the Church in Latin America you fund catechesis, marriage and family life programs, and seminarian and religious formation. These vital ministry areas are the avenue for people to grow closer to Jesus Christ. Please prayerfully consider supporting this collection and share your faith with our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean.

### Parishes:

Complete resources for parishes in English and in Spanish are available for download at <http://www.usccb.org/catholic-giving/opportunities-for-giving/latin-america/collection/index.cfm>.

Suggested promotional copy is as follows:

### ***Bulletin/Website/Pulpit/Social Media Announcements***

#### **Week before the Collection (January 26-27)**

Next week, we will take up the collection for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, rural terrain and a lack of ministers are obstacles to practicing their faith. Your support to the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, as well as other programs to help share our faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. Please give generously during weekend Mass on Feb. 2-3 or text CLA to 91999 to make your donation. To learn more, please visit [www.usccb.org/latin-america](http://www.usccb.org/latin-america).

#### **Week of the Collection (February 2-3)**

This weekend is the collection for the Church in Latin America. Many people in Latin America and the Caribbean do not have access to church programs and ministries because of rural terrain and a lack of priests. Your generosity makes it possible for them to share in the life of the Church and grow closer to Christ. Please be generous to the second collection! To learn more about the collection, please visit [www.usccb.org/latin-america](http://www.usccb.org/latin-america).

#### **Week after the Collection (February 9-10)**

Thank you for your generous support last week of the collection for the Church in Latin America. As a parish, we collected \$[amount], which will be used to share the faith with our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean so that they, in turn, can share it with others. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Just text CLA to 91999. Your gift will certainly make a difference!

### ***Boletín/Sitio web/Púlpito /Anuncios de Redes Sociales***

#### **Semana antes de la Colecta (26-27 de enero)**

La próxima semana realizaremos la colecta para la Iglesia en América Latina. Para muchas personas en América Latina y el Caribe, los terrenos rurales y la escasez de ministros son unos obstáculos para practicar su fe. El apoyo que le den a la colecta proporciona capacitación para el liderazgo laico, la catequesis, la formación sacerdotal y religiosa, así como para otros programas que ayudan a compartir nuestra fe con aquellos que

anhelan escuchar la Buena Nueva de Cristo. Para informarse más, por favor, visiten [www.usccb.org/latin-america](http://www.usccb.org/latin-america).

### **Semana de la Colecta (2-3 de febrero)**

Este fin de semana es la colecta para la Iglesia en América Latina. Muchas personas en América Latina y el Caribe no tienen acceso a los programas y ministerios de la iglesia debido a los terrenos rurales y a la escasez de ministros. Su generosidad permite que ellas compartan en la vida de la Iglesia y se acerquen más a Cristo. ¡Por favor, sean generosos en la segunda colecta! Para informarse más acerca de la colecta, por favor, visiten [www.usccb.org/latin-america](http://www.usccb.org/latin-america).

### **Semana después de la Colecta (9-10 de febrero)**

Muchas gracias por su generoso apoyo a la colecta para la Iglesia en América Latina la semana pasada. Como parroquia, hemos recaudado \$[poner cantidad], que serán utilizados para compartir la fe con nuestros hermanos y hermanas en América Latina y el Caribe para que ellos, a su vez, la compartan con los demás. ¡Si no alcanzaron a dar en la colecta, todavía lo pueden hacer por texto CLA al 91999. ¡Sus donativos, de hecho, harán una diferencia!

**Parish Business Managers:** The code for remitting these funds to the Diocesan finance office is **236450** and the deadline is February 25, 2019.

If you have any questions about this special collection, please contact Elizabeth A. Becker, Advancement Associate of the Advancement Foundation, at 817-945-9443 or [ebecker@advancementfoundation.org](mailto:ebecker@advancementfoundation.org).