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## Support the Collection for the Church in Latin America

Dear Communications Director,

All Catholics are called into closer unity with Christ and with one another, but we live our call to holiness in vastly different ways. Whether we live our vocations as members of the clergy, in religious communities, as single persons, or in marriage, Catholics enrich and support one another through education, material support, and prayer.

In Colombia, the religious sisters of the Eucharistic Communicators of the Heavenly Father offer training courses in theology, the Bible, family economics, and other spiritual and practical topics to help families grow in faith and service to one another and to the Church. Similarly, seminarians at Colombia's Salvator Mundi Major Seminary received training among nearby families so that these future priests could learn to serve the pastoral and human needs of the families they will encounter in ministry.

In Brazil's Diocese of Campina Grande, candidates attending the diocesan school for deacons include married and widowed men. These men are formed to minister at the altar and in charitable programs. They are prepared to be apostles in their own families, as well as in their professional work, in their communities, and in mission areas.

These and many more projects that strengthen families, clergy, and religious communities are made possible with funds received from Collection for the Church in Latin America, a program of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. When your diocese participates in the collection, you share your faith with communities throughout Latin America and the Caribbean islands, helping to form stronger families and pastoral leaders to live their vocations more fully in service of God and one another.

You can make this year's collection successful by sharing these examples—and more stories about projects funded by the collection—on your social media channels, by using the collection's web banners on your diocesan website, and by placing an ad in your diocesan paper. You can find the materials you need at [www.usccb.org/latin-america/collection](http://www.usccb.org/latin-america/collection). The [#iGiveCatholicTogether](https://www.givecatholictogether.com) website also accepts funds for this collection, if parishioners in your diocese prefer to support the collection through online donations. If you have any questions, please contact me at 202-541-3365 or [mhren@usccb.org](mailto:mhren@usccb.org).

We appreciate your support for the collection. Thank you for your generosity to the people of Latin America and the Caribbean. May our merciful and loving God, through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, bless you always.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Margaret Hren  
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