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Dear Diocesan Director,

Soon your diocese will participate in the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Your leadership is key to making this year's collection a successful show of solidarity and love for our brothers and sisters in Central and South America and the Caribbean islands.

Stable, loving families are necessary both for the growth of the Church and for peaceful and just societies. The love that spouses show to God, to each other, and to their children models Christ's love for the Church, and so the family is rightfully called the "domestic church." In an age when a multitude of economic, political, and cultural currents are challenging family life, it is crucial for the Church to form and assist the faithful to live their vocation as spouses and parents.

Haiti's Diocese of Anse-à-Veau and Miragoâne used funds received through the Collection for the Church in Latin America to do just that. The diocese organized and conducted a family ministry formation for 880 participants from the diocese's 44 parishes. This three-day seminar equipped parish leaders to address subjects such as the importance of future spouses in the Church, ways to raise children in a Christian family, and the role of the Church in Christian families.

Your diocese's participation in the Collection for the Church in Latin America helps dioceses throughout Central and South America and the Caribbean carry out ministries that address the pastoral needs of today while also helping families and local communities to form the next generation of Christian disciples.

Bulletin inserts, a parish resource guide with bulletin announcements and a parish appeal, web content, and more are available for your use at www.usccb.org/latin-america/collection. There you can also find a social media tool kit with Facebook, X, and Instagram posts and photos you can use. Please follow the USCCB's social media pages for the latest posts on the collection and other news, and share them on your diocesan channels (using the hashtags #shareyourfaith and #1church1mission). If you have any questions or need additional materials, please contact me at 202-541-3365 or ncpromo@usccb.org.

On behalf of those who benefit from the Collection for the Church in Latin America, thank you! May our merciful and loving God, through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, bless you always.

Sincerely,

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