

Peter's Pence Collection

Be a Witness of Charity

IF I, THEREFORE, THE MASTER AND TEACHER, HAVE WASHED YOUR FEET,
YOU OUGHT TO WASH ONE ANOTHER'S FEET. I HAVE GIVEN YOU A MODEL TO FOLLOW,
SO THAT AS I HAVE DONE FOR YOU, YOU SHOULD ALSO DO. (JN 13:14-15)

Dear Editor/Communications Director,

On Easter Sunday 2013, Pope Francis encouraged each person to be a witness of charity. "Let us be renewed by God's mercy . . . and let us become agents of this mercy, channels through which God can water the earth, protect all creation, and make justice and peace flourish," he said. Pope Francis has continued to remind us through his actions that we must serve our brothers and sisters in order to be true disciples of Christ.

The Peter's Pence Collection unites us in solidarity with the Holy Father and his works of charity to those in need. Your parishes' contributions to the Peter's Pence Collection allow the Holy Father to support victims of war, natural disasters, and others most in need of assistance.

Join the Holy Father and **be a witness of charity** throughout the world.

Please help make this year's Collection a success by using the ads, web banners, and other promotional material available online at www.usccb.org (search "Peter's Pence Collection Materials"). Encourage your parishes to use these materials and to mention the Collection at Mass. If you have any questions, please contact me at 202-541-3346 or bkennedy@usccb.org.

We truly appreciate your support of the Collection.

Sincerely,



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