



SAINT JOHN FISHER PARISH

December 15, 2021

Dear Parishioners:

I hope you are enjoying the Christmas season even in the midst of the second year of Covid-19. The enclosed envelopes and coupons remind you that we are beginning a new year.

Each month you receive envelopes along with your own personalized coupons. The envelopes are self-addressed in case you are out of town and would like to send your contribution by mail. If you made a weekly commitment on Stewardship Sunday, the Sunday coupons contain the weekly amount that you indicated. If you choose to contribute monthly rather than weekly, you need only put one coupon in the envelope with your contribution. Regardless of the date listed on the coupon, your contribution is posted for that Sunday on which it is received. Feel free to return any unused envelopes in the collection bin or to the parish office.

When you use the coupons with your contribution, it assures a more accurate posting of your contribution in our records and saves us much time and effort. When we receive only a check without the coupon, we must write out the information by hand. Contributions are deposited immediately. During the week, we record your contribution in the computer from the handwritten envelope.

Throughout the year we announce several special collections. Some may have greater appeal to you than others. To help your planning of donations to the year in addition to the regular Sunday donations, I have listed on the other side of this letter the special collections that will be taking place in 2022. If you are contributing on a given Sunday to more than one collection, e.g., the regular Sunday collection and a special collection, you may write one check and mark the amount of your donation on each coupon. Thus you let us know how much of your donation you want allotted to each fund. In other words, one envelope can contain one check and several coupons.

As we begin this new year, you might consider giving electronically, through *Faith Direct*. It was such a help to us in 2020 when we had to close the church and people watched us on livestream. Most of our regular donors, including me, have switched to online giving. If you're interested, check our parish website for instructions. You will still receive my monthly letter via email, and *Faith Direct* can provide you with coupons to place in the offertory basket as a sign of your support. If you are presently using *Faith Direct*, this is the time of year to make any adjustments to your regular donations and any of the special collections by logging in to your *Faith Direct* account.

Your statement of donations for 2021 will be sent to you this coming month. If we have made any mistakes in our calculations, don't hesitate to call the parish office. Andrea Fowler (ext. 154) will be happy to assist you.

Thank you for your generosity both to your parish and to the various other causes you have supported throughout the year. May you have a blessed 2022!

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. David A. Sork
Pastor

2022 SPECIAL COLLECTION SCHEDULE

March 13

Together in Mission Campaign

March 27

Catholic Relief Services Collection
Church in Latin America (CLA)

April 15

Holy Land Collection (Good Friday)

May 8

Cardinal McIntyre Fund for Charity

June 12

Retirement Fund for Archdiocesan Priests

June 26

Peter's Pence (Collection for the Holy Father)

July 17

National Needs Combined Collection:

Black and Indian Missions;

Catholic University of America;

Catholic Communications Campaign (CCC);

Catholic Home Missions Appeal (CHMA)

August

Mission Co-Op

October 23

World Mission Sunday

Propagation of the Faith

November 20

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

December 11

Retirement Fund for Religious