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Dear Pastors and Pastoral Leaders:

The kickoff weekend for our annual **Raising Vocations Collection** is fast approaching. This collection will support ministries that help young people discover Christ and accompany them on their vocation journey. I humbly ask you to help make this collection a success.

In order to do so, please take a look at the resources enclosed. As always, we encourage you to remind the faithful that **the collection is done exclusively by direct mail**. **Please utilize the bulletin articles, especially for the kickoff weekend this year on August 2 and 3. Even if you do not have a seminarian speaker this weekend, it is imperative every parish highlight the collection during the kickoff weekend**. Thank you in advance for your continued help in Raising Vocations for Tomorrow, help them say Yes!

The following materials are included in this packet:

- Instruction Guide for Pastors, Pastoral Leaders and Parish Personnel.
- Audio CD from Bishop Ricken including the script for you to use during Mass on the kickoff weekend of the collection if you do not have a seminarian speaker.
- **Posters** (If you need additional posters, please contact the Catholic Foundation. Spanish posters available or included if you have a Spanish Mass.)
- Brochures
- **Background Information** regarding the Collection.
- **Promotion Schedule** is included in this packet. (Spanish available or included if you have a Spanish Mass.)
- Frequently Asked Questions
- A Website is available with these materials for you to download. This website is <u>www.catholicfoundationgb.org</u>. Donations may also be made directly through this website.
- Envelopes, Blank Pledge cards, and Called by Name cards are to be placed around your Church to be taken by visitors or parishioners who have misplaced their mailing. (Spanish materials are available upon request or included if you have a Spanish Mass.)

In Christ,

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