

Family Service Night

Wednesday, October 30th

5:30p.m. - 7:45p.m.

Parishioners are invited to attend and participate too!

Schedule for the evening:

5:30p.m. - 6:30p.m. - Spaghetti/Chicken Alfredo meal sponsored by the Ascension Knights of Columbus. **FREE WILL DONATION** - Donations for the meal will go towards covering service project supplies. The meal will be served in the St. Bernard school cafeteria.

6:30p.m. - 7:45p.m. - Break into service groups. All students/parents and parishioners will be broken up into three categories:

****Preschool - Grade 5 - "Blessing Bags" (Main floor of school)**- Students will be assembling "Blessing Bags" for Sharing & Caring Hands and creating prayer cards to include in the bags. We are in need of the following donations (**Donations can be dropped off in the bin next to the office table on the main floor of the school or in entrances of church**): Packs of gum, granola bars, individual packages of trail mix, bottled water, hand warmers, wool socks (large), band-aids, men's razors, pocket crosses **AND Travel Size**: shampoo, mouthwash, chapstick, tissues, men's and women's deodorant. **Contact - Kara (952)250.3620.**

****Grades 6-8 - Tie Lap Blankets (Auditorium)** - Students will be working on tying lap blankets for nursing homes and retirement facilities in the area. **Donations of fleece are welcomed or cash to cover purchased fleece. One blanket costs \$12. Contact - Mel (763)645.7602.**

****Grades 9 & 10 - Tie Rosaries (Church Narthex)** - We will be making the rosaries, through an organization called Our Lady's Rosary Makers. Once complete, we will send the rosaries to mission groups that are requesting rosaries for the poor. **Contact - Julie (952)807.3522.**

DONATIONS for our local NYA Foodshelf will also be collected throughout the month of October. All non-perishable items are accepted. Suggestions of items that are in greater need: canned soups, canned fruit, canned vegetables, bottled juices and canned meat (tuna/chicken). Look for drop off bins in the entrance of school and in the entrances of church.

Parents are asked to attend and participate. Be engaged and serve as a model of faith and generosity for your children. This will be a great night of fellowship, service and community building!

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

Serving those who Serve



Dear Friend in Christ,

The next National Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS), is scheduled for the weekend of 10 November 2019 (unless an alternate date has been selected by a particular diocese). The AMS receives no funding from the U.S. Government or the U.S. Military, has no parishes for a weekly in-pew collection, and must rely principally on private donations to fund an annual operating budget of over \$8.2 million.

Established by Saint John Paul II in 1985, the AMS is responsible for providing the full range of pastoral ministries available in all other U.S. dioceses to those serving in the United States Armed Services, enrolled in U.S. Military Academies, undergoing treatment at any of the 153 Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers, working in civilian jobs for the federal government beyond U.S. borders, and for the families of these populations. In other words, the AMS is responsible for the pastoral care of men, women, and children from all U.S. dioceses, who hail from all 50 States and U.S. Territories - including members of your own parish.

I am grateful to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops for its approval of the National Collection taken in most dioceses every three years, the first in November 2013, and again in 2016. Funds received from the 2013 and 2016 National Collections provided the means necessary for this Archdiocese to continue to provide the same pastoral care readily available to the almost 1.8 million AMS faithful spread across the globe who serve and who face constant transition and uncertainty. The funds also made possible several new and important initiatives, including the first-ever Catholic military marriage enrichment retreat and widespread certification of catechists at their installations; to begin to build an endowment with a long-term goal of assuring a self-sustaining source of funding; and to continue to underwrite the Co-Sponsored Seminarian Program which provides priests to serve in dioceses across the U.S., and to serve as full-time Catholic military chaplains.

Please help me continue to provide priests for the Church and the military chaplaincy and to minister to the Catholic military men and women, and their families, who are part of this global Archdiocese – *parishioners and families from your diocese* – with a donation to the 2019 Triennial National Collection for the AMS.

With sentiments of unwavering gratitude, I remain

Sincerely in Christ,

(The Most Reverend) Timothy P. Broglio, J.C.D.
Archbishop for the Military Services, USA



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Queridos amigos en Cristo,

La próxima Colecta Nacional trienal en apoyo para la Arquidiócesis castrense de los EE. UU. (AMS), tomará lugar el fin de semana del 10 de noviembre de 2019 en la mayoría de las diócesis Estadunidense. La AMS no recibe fondos del gobierno o de las Fuerzas Armadas Estadunidense, tampoco tiene parroquias para una colecta semanal, lo cual la hace depender principalmente de donaciones privadas para financiar un presupuesto operativo anual de más de \$ 8.2 millones.

Establecida por el Papa Juan Pablo II en 1985, la Arquidiócesis castrense de los EE. UU. (AMS), es responsable por proporcionar el mismo cuidado pastoral y servicios que otras diócesis católica ofrecen a los católicos miembros de las fuerzas armadas de los Estados Unidos, a los ingresados en las academias militares de los Estados Unidos, a los que están sometidos a tratamiento médico en cualquiera de los 153 centros médicos del Departamento de los Veteranos en los Estados Unidos, Puerto Rico y Guam, a los que trabajan en posiciones civiles con el gobierno federal fuera de las fronteras de los Estados Unidos y sus familias. En otras palabras, la AMS es responsable del cuidado pastoral de hombres, mujeres y niños de todas las diócesis de los Estados Unidos, que provienen de los 50 estados y territorios, esto incluye los miembros de su propia parroquia.

Le Agradezco a la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos por su aprobación de la Colecta Nacional que es tomada en la mayoría de las diócesis cada tres años, la primera en noviembre del 2013 y nuevamente en el 2016. Los fondos recibidos de las Colectas Nacionales del 2013 y 2016 proporcionaron los medios necesarios para que esta Arquidiócesis continúe brindando la misma atención y servicios pastorales que son fácilmente disponibles para usted y su familia, a los casi 1,8 millones de fieles de la AMS que se encuentran en todo el mundo sirviendo las Fuerzas Armadas para proteger y que enfrentan una constante transición e incertidumbre. Los fondos también posibilitaron varias iniciativas nuevas e importantes, incluyendo el primer retiro de enriquecimiento matrimonial católico y la certificación generalizada de catequistas en sus instalaciones; para comenzar a construir una dotación con el objetivo a largo plazo de asegurar una fuente de financiamiento auto sostenida; y continuar suscribiendo el Programa de Seminaristas Copatrocinado que proporciona sacerdotes para servir en las diócesis de los Estados Unidos y para servir como capellanes militares católicos.

Por favor, ayúdenme a continuar proporcionando sacerdotes para la Iglesia y la capellanía militar y para ministrar a los hombres y mujeres militares católicos, y sus familias, que forman parte de esta Arquidiócesis global –**feligreses y familias de su diócesis**– con una donación la Collecta Nacional 2019 para la AMS.

Con sentimientos de inquebrantable gratitud, sigo

Afectísimo en el Señor,

Mons. Timothy P. Broglio, J.C.D.
Arzobispo Castrense de los EE. UU.



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