

# ST. BRENDAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

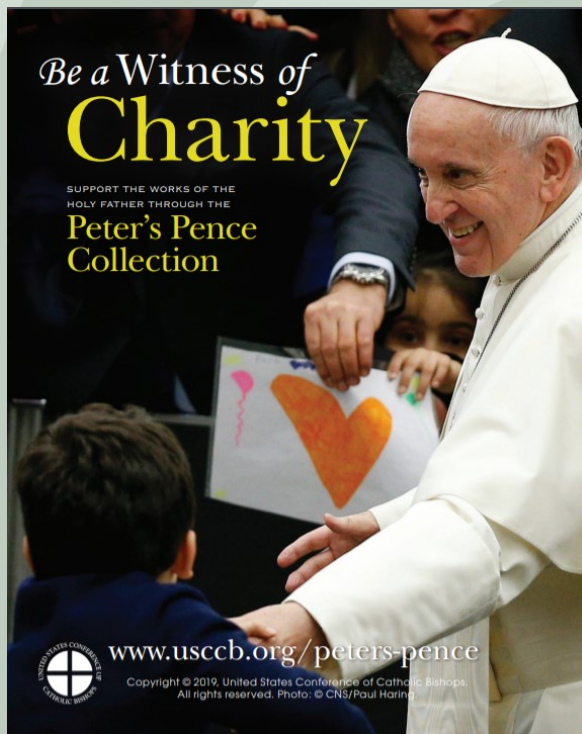
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**Fr. Nicholas Wichert, Pastor**

**JUNE 27/28, 2020**

**13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



## **Mission Statement**

*We, the St. Brendan Catholic community, are called to:*

- Celebrate through Word and Sacrament;
- Be formed as disciples and go forth as apostles;
- Reach out to all with love and respect

*In order to make visible the reign of God by transforming our world.*

## **Misión**

*Nosotros, la comunidad católica de San Brendan estamos llamados a:*

- Celebrar a través de la Palabra y Sacramento;
- Ser formados como discípulos y seguir adelante como apóstoles;
- Llegar a todos con amor y respecto

*Todo esto para hacer visible el reino de Dios transformando nuestro mundo.*

**\*During the Covid-19 Pandemic, all Masses are livestreamed. Please visit our parish website [www.saintbrendan.org](http://www.saintbrendan.org) for the link.**

## **Sunday Eucharist Schedule**

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 and 10:00 am

Domingo: 12:00 Noon Misa en Español

## **Weekly Schedule Mass**

Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sat., 8:30 am

Thursday: 6:00 pm Misa en Español

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation (Temporary)**

3:30—4:15 pm Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri.

12:00 pm—1:00 pm Saturday



# Parish Life

## ST. BRENDAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

### Pastor

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**To submit a bulletin request, please  
email [bulletin@saintbrendan.org](mailto:bulletin@saintbrendan.org)**

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS/DATES

- **All Public Masses canceled this weekend through next week**

## ANUNCIOS Y FECHAS IMPORTANTES

- **Todas las Misas Publicas estan canceladas este fin de semana hasta la proxima semana**

## ST. BRENDAN PARISH

### Parish Office

Hours: Mon-Fri 9:15am-noon; 1:00-4:30pm  
Phone: (425) 483-9400 / Fax: (425) 486-9735  
Address: 10051 NE 195th Street  
Bothell, WA 98011-2931

### School Office

Hours: Mon-Fri 8:00am-4:00pm  
Phone: (425) 483-8300 / Fax: (425) 483-2839  
Address: 10049 NE 195th Street  
Bothell, WA 98011-2931

### Funeral Masses and Burial Rites

To arrange for a funeral Mass, please contact the Parish Office, or ask the funeral director to do so.

### Ministry to the Sick and Homebound

To arrange for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick or to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact the Parish Office. For after hours emergency care you may also call the Eastside Deanery Pastoral Care Ministry at 425-655-3200.

### Misas para Funerales y Ritos de Entierro

Para hacer arreglos para Misa para funeral, por favor contacte la Oficina de la Parroquia, o pregunte al director de los servicios funerarios.

### Ministerio para los Enfermos

Para hacer arreglos para el Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos o para recibir la Santa Comunión en casa, por favor contacte la Oficina de la Parroquia.



# Worship & Spiritual Life

## READINGS FOR WEEK OF 13TH SUNDAY IN OT JUNE 28, 2020

### SUNDAY, JUNE 28

#### 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Kgs 4:8-11,14-16 Ps 89:2-3,1617,18-19  
Rom 6:3-4,8-11 Mt 10:37-42

#### Monday, June 29 (Sts. Peter & Paul)

Acts 12:1-11 Ps 34:2-3,4-5,6-7,8-9  
Tm 4:6-8, 17-18 Mt 16:13-19

#### Tuesday, June 30

Am 3:1-8,4:11-12 Ps 5:4-6,7,8  
Mt 8:23-27

#### Wednesday, July 1

Am 5:14-15,21-24 Ps 50:7,8-9,10-11,12-13,16-17  
Mt 8:28-34

#### Thursday, July 2

Am 7:10-17 Ps 19:8,9,10,11  
Mt 9:1-8

#### Friday, July 3

Eph 2:19-22 Ps 117:1,2  
Jn 20:24-29

#### Saturday, July 4

Am 9:11-15 Ps 85:9,10,11-12,13-14  
Mt 9:14-17

### SUNDAY, JULY 5

#### 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Zec 9:9-10 Ps 145:1-2,8-9,10-11,13-14  
Rom 8:9,11-13 Mt 11:25-30

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 28, 2020

*(Daily Masses can be viewed on  
St. Brendan Church Facebook page &  
Weekend Masses on YouTube)*

#### Sunday, June 28

8:00 am Mass: William Anderson (Liv.)  
10:00 am Mass: +Richard Gaddy  
12:00 pm Misa en Español:  
Community of St. Brendan

#### Monday, June 29

8:30 am Mass: Martin Gutierrez (Liv.)

#### Tuesday, June 30

No Mass

#### Wednesday, July 1

8:30 am Mass: Juan Avila (Liv.)

#### Thursday, July 2

8:30 am Mass: +Anita Sevilla

#### Friday, July 3

8:30 am Mass: +Nena Rivas

#### Saturday, July 4

8:00 am Mass: Francis McMonigle (Liv.)  
5:00 pm Mass: Michael Gongliwski



Key: +=deceased

## Please pray for the sick:

Pilar Alvarez  
Annie Angel  
Ella Engel  
Stephan Engel  
Betty Burrell  
Catherine Connelly  
Rosemary Devlin  
Josiah Evans  
Gloria Groff  
Francisco Hernandez  
Omaira Lopez  
Maria Luisa Lopez  
Paris Molloy  
Vic Palazzo  
Virginia Pfalzer  
Rosie Shanley  
Sonja Stefaniw  
Jeff Stultz  
David Weller  
Diane Zebert

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## and for those who have died:

Cynthia Burby  
Tom McCune  
Rose McCune Hopkins  
Geraldine Mills  
Maria Remedios  
Aurelio Santos  
Michael Santos



## Children & Family Ministry Ministerio de Niños y Familias

LIFETIME OF LEARNING & BELONGING

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Bothell, WA 98011  
425.205.2648  
EMAIL: [andreak@saintbrendan.org](mailto:andreak@saintbrendan.org)

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

If your family needs some **groceries**, we have plenty of groceries to share. Call the parish office. We have drivers who will deliver food to your home.

By now you should have received information about **First Communion** preparation. Follow the directions carefully!

Here's a website for Summer Bible School at home:.

<https://ministry-to-children.com/bolt-virtual-vacation-bible-school-home-edition/>

### GOING TO MASS AS A FAMILY

<https://marriagefamilylife.seattlearchdiocese.org/mass>

Participating in Mass is one of the best things we can do for our family. But, like so many things that are good for us, going to Mass as a family is not always easy and we do not always feel like doing it. Nevertheless, the Church tells us "the Sunday Eucharist is the foundation and confirmation of all Christian practice." (CCC 2181)

Parents, we will never regret taking our children to Mass. It is what will lead them, and us, to Jesus. As you take on this important duty, here are few things to remember:

- **Your fellow parishioners are grateful** that you bring your family to Mass. They know your children are the future of the Church and will be patient with the ordinary challenges children present at Mass.
- **Be engaged yourself and model participating in the prayers and songs** to your children. This makes it easier to be attentive.
- **Sitting near the front or close to an aisle** can sometimes help children see what is happening and make it easier for them to pay attention.
- **Explaining what is happening at Mass can help children pay attention.** Just remember to keep your voice low while in the Sanctuary.
- **Sometimes taking a little walk can help.** If your child is struggling to keep it together, feel free to take them to the vestibule or outside for a little break. This provides them a chance to move around and regain their composure. It can also be helpful if your child was getting a little too noisy.
- **Rewards can help.** If your parish offers coffee and doughnuts after Mass, take your children there for a reward. This a great way to reward them and will introduce you to other families and other parishioners.
- **We are glad you are here!** Even when your children are having a bad day, your family is a gift to the Church.

### MY FAITH Corporal Works of Mercy

**The word Corporal means Body. So the Corporal Works of Mercy are things that you can do for the body of a person. Here is a song online to help you learn them.**

[https://  
www.youtube.com/  
watch?  
v=\\_8QGtMEv82k](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_8QGtMEv82k)

Feed the hungry.

Give water to the thirsty.

Clothe the naked.

Shelter the homeless.

Visit the sick.

Visit the imprisoned, or ransom the captive.

Bury the dead.



# Youth & Young Adult Ministry

Youth Minister  
425-483-9400  
youthminister@saintbrendan.org  
**Margaret Deleon**

*Follow us on Facebook*  
*/Saintbrendanlifeteen*

## **CONFIRMATION/SENIOR HIGH/YOUNG ADULT**

- Confirmation classes are now online! Links to the videos will be posted on the parish website, St. Brendan Youth Ministries Facebook page, and will be emailed by Margaret.

Please email Margaret if you need the links at  
[YouthMinister@saintbrendan.org](mailto:YouthMinister@saintbrendan.org)

- **Confirmation Mass will be September 26, 2020**



# Adult & Family Faith

## **KNIGHTS CORNER**

With restrictions being modified for Covid-19, the Knights of Columbus are making plans to hold two VERY important fundraisers for our council.



- **KofC Annual Salmon Bake—Sunday, July 26 (Bothell Rental Hall)**

- Cost is only \$20 per person
- All profits go towards our Annual Scholarships for graduating high school seniors and college students of \$1,000. for each student.

More information to come. If you have any questions, please call Del Treichel at 206-948-9151.

- **Want to become a Knight?**

Many opportunities to participate in an online exemplification that takes ONLY 30 minutes. Contact Fr. Justin P. Garvey Council 6686 Direct Line at 425-273-7119 or call Tom Gray at 206-799-0397 for any inquiries or specific questions.





# Community Involvement & Outreach

## CURSILLO ULTREYA

Looking for spiritual growth?  
Meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of  
each month at 7:30 pm in  
the library. **\*We are not  
meeting at this time until  
further notice.**

Contact:

Sam or Melinda Affronte  
(425) 481-5296

Ron Fernandes  
(425) 821-3599  
seattlecursillo.org

## YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Our Parish Outreach  
Ministries request the  
following items:

## DIAPER BAG PROJECT

Onesies (Newborn,  
0-3 months)

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

breakfast cereal, peanut  
butter, jam, rice, spaghetti  
pasta and sauce

## SOS

Large canned peaches,  
large canned pineapples &  
fruit cocktail

## RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

We usually meet the 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Thursday of the month in the  
SOS Room at 7:00 pm.

**\*We are not meeting at this  
time until further notice.**

We respect life from concep-  
tion to natural death, as we  
are called to do as Catholics.  
If you are interested in joining  
us, we would love to have you  
and your new ideas! If inter-  
ested, please contact Colleen  
Danforth at rdhcoll@aol.com

## ST. BRENDAN CHURCH GARDENS

Thanks so much to those who came to work on the church grounds last Saturday. Getting rid of diseased plants, spent rhodie blooms, weeds, etc sure does improve the appearance of the grounds. We still have more work to do, so think of joining us on **Saturday, July 25, for our next work party.**

Mark your calendars to reserve that morning and remember to social distance.

## ST. BRENDAN SCHOOL NEWS

Our Admissions Office remains open online! We still have openings in select grades for next school year. If you would like more information on how to enroll in preschool – 8<sup>th</sup> grade, please contact our Admissions Director, Christen Lambert via e-mail: [christenl@school.saintbrendan.org](mailto:christenl@school.saintbrendan.org).



## SPIRITUAL ADOPTION UPDATE-FIFTH MONTH "Mommy felt me kick today!"

Our spiritually adopted babies, who we have been praying for, are now five months old and the wonderful miracles of God's creation and life are so evident. This month marks the half-way point to birth, and the baby is very active. Sleep habits develop and his mother can feel him move and stretch, particularly when she is resting. He is twelve inches now and big and strong enough to kick hard against the outside uterine wall and dent it. Although he swam with ease in his watery world, he was too small for her to detect because the inside wall of the uterus has little feeling. The baby's ears are fully formed and they respond to sound. They are able to hear their mothers' heartbeat and voice. Many moms begin to sing to their babies at this stage. Babies born at this age have survived. Thank you for your continued commitment to prayer for these and all unborn babies in danger of abortion.

## RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

### Please Pray For These Expectant Mothers:

Kymberly Bogart, Lauryn Boxx, Chrissy White Cuda, Jesse Harmon, Tera Linde, Cassie Mish and Rhonda Thompson. We pray that you have a healthy pregnancy and a safe delivery for your baby. **Congratulations to these new parents:** Annie & Matt Johnston, baby boy James Henry, Corey & Stephanie Caulkins, baby girl, Finley, and Karissa & John Vandenberg, baby boy, Hudson. We thank God for these little ones and ask Him to bless and give you much joy as you raise your baby. If you are expecting a baby and would like our parish family to pray for you, please call Mary Hradec at 425-275-1896.



# Parish Administration & Stewardship

## **THE STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE & TIME**

Weekly Budget Goal \$23,769.00

### **Week of June 15th - June 21st**

Envelope Offerings \$8,352.39

Electronic Funds Transfer (June) \$7,752.01

Online Giving \$3,577.50

**Total Weekly Sacrificial Giving \$19,681.90**

**Over/Under Budget \$4,087.10**

Stewardship of Time 15 hours

### **Year-to-Date July 1st - June 21st**

YTD Budget Goal \$1,212,231.00

YTD Sacrificial Giving \$1,121,412.98

**Over/Under YTD Budget \$90,818.02**

Stewardship of Time 3434 hours

## **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

12 Noon Thursday

(A week prior to

bulletin weekend)

[bulletin@saintbrendan.org](mailto:bulletin@saintbrendan.org)

## **ONLINE PARISHIONER REGISTRATION & ONLINE GIVING**

*Every person's finances and family situation is different. Jesus makes it clear that it matters not how much one gives, but that it is planned, calculated,*

*at least somewhat sacrificial (see Luke 24:1-4), and not simply from what is "leftover" at the end of the month. We propose the tithe (10%) as the ideal every family can consider working towards. This means taking steps to give 5% to one's parish, and 5% to other charities or causes you have personal passion for. You can register online at*

***[www.saintbrendan.org](http://www.saintbrendan.org) and click on the link "Online Registration/New Parishioner" on lower left corner of website and to give online, click on the "Online Giving" link. It's quick, secure, convenient, and easy. Your support helps sustain our parish. If you need help with online giving, please call the Parish Office at 425-483-9400.***

## **PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION**

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit [www.usccb.org/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters-pence).

## **13TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

Both the first reading and the Gospel today speak of hospitality and welcome. Our ministers of hospitality are a most visible example of using one's time and talents to welcome the people of God. But the Gospel assures us that all who give even just "a cup of cold water" to one of His lowliest ones will be rewarded.

## **ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

*Thank you to those who have already fulfilled your Annual Catholic Appeal pledge! Thus far, we have 281 pledges and 17% participation.* Help maximize our Annual Catholic Appeal Rebate this year for our parish project of enhancements to our lighting in the church worship space! Please check if your employer has a **Matching Gift** program. Once payment has been received, or your gift has been paid in full, you can apply for the match per your employer's instructions! **Donate Online with credit/debit/direct bank withdrawal** – [www.seattlearchdiocese.org/donate](http://www.seattlearchdiocese.org/donate) **Pledge Only** – submit your pledge (through the pledge card, envelope or online) and you will be sent monthly reminders. **Cash or Check** – make checks payable to Annual Catholic Appeal **Donate Stock** – call 800-422-5417 for broker instructions **Donate through your IRA** – contact your IRA administrator and have your gift sent directly to the ACA Office, 710 9<sup>th</sup> Ave, Seattle WA 98104 – include your name, ACA ID# and the parish you want the gift credit to go to. **Payroll Deduction** – some employers offer this option – check with yours.

Dear St. Brendan Families,

I'm reaching out today to alert you and ask you to pray for a couple of our parishioners who have been recently impacted by COVID-19. I am so grateful these individuals quickly shared this information with us so we can all take proper precautions. Out of privacy, I will not share names, but we have had a couple parishioners who tested positive for the virus. I encourage us to pray for their healing, for their families and for the health workers who are on the front lines.

One of these parishioners, who had not been in the church for a number of months, I had close contact with yesterday and so I will be self-isolating for the next few days. That person was without symptoms, but tested positive after I met with them. After a phone call with King County Public Health, they suggested that my risk was very low, but that it would be wise to wait 5 days before being tested for the virus. They also assured me they did not feel that anyone else from the parish needed to self-isolate, but to only watch for symptoms.

While we believe there is a low risk of transmission of the virus from either of them, we still recommend you to monitor your symptoms. If anyone begins to show signs – including fever, cough or shortness of breath, loss of smell and taste, muscle aches, G.I. tract issues – we advise you to get tested. If you have any questions, please visit our local Public Health King County [coronavirus website](#).

Ideally, our church would remain open for private prayer. However, out of an abundance of caution, we will be closing down the building for a deep cleaning. Once that's complete, we will reopen and alert you. In the meantime, I recommend that you watch any number of the many daily Live Stream Masses.

I will Livestream an English Mass tomorrow evening at 5 pm that will then be available for you to watch on Sunday also. I will Livestream a Spanish Mass on Sunday at 9 am. Please continue to pray for everyone involved – our parishioners and families, healthcare workers, people who are sick, people who have passed and their families, government officials and Church leaders.

I am hopeful that we will be able to resume public Masses next weekend, but want to make sure I get tested first so as to not put you in harm's way. I feel great and am without any symptoms at all. God bless you and know that you will be in my prayers. I also count on yours!

In the peace of Christ,

Fr. Nick Wichert



Queridas Familias de San Brendan,

Me dirijo hoy para alertarles y pedirles que oren por un par de nuestros feligreses que han sido recientemente afectados por COVID-19. Estoy muy agradecido de que estas personas compartieron rápidamente esta información con nosotros para que todos podamos tomar las precauciones adecuadas. Por privacidad, no compartiré nombres, pero hemos tenido un par de feligreses que dieron positivo al virus. Animo a orar por su sanación, por sus familias y por los trabajadores de la salud que están en primera línea.

Ayer, tuve contacto cercano con uno de estos feligreses, que no había estado en la iglesia durante varios meses, y por esta razón me estaré autoaislando durante los próximos días. Esa persona estaba sin síntomas, pero dio positivo después de que me reuní con ellos. Después de una llamada telefónica con el departamento de Salud Pública del Condado de King, sugirieron que mi riesgo era muy bajo, pero que sería prudente esperar 5 días antes de que me haga la prueba para el virus. También me aseguraron que no sentían que nadie más de la parroquia necesitaba autoaislarse, sino que sólo estén atentos a los síntomas.

Si bien creemos que existe un bajo riesgo de transmisión del virus de cualquiera de ellos, le recomendamos que supervise sus síntomas. Si alguien comienza a mostrar signos— incluyendo fiebre, tos o dificultad para respirar, pérdida de olor y sabor, dolores musculares, problemas del tracto G.I. — le recomendamos que se haga la prueba. Si tiene alguna pregunta, por favor visite la página web de Salud Pública de nuestro Condado King en [www.kingcounty.gov/depts/health/covid-19.aspx](http://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/health/covid-19.aspx).

Idealmente, nuestra iglesia permanecería abierta a la oración privada. Sin embargo, por una gran cantidad de precaución, vamos a cerrar el edificio para una limpieza profunda. Una vez que se haya completado, la volveremos a abrir y les dejaremos saber cuándo esto suceda. Mientras tanto, te recomiendo que veas cualquier número de las muchas misas diarias que son transmitidas en vivo. Yo transmitiré en vivo una misa en inglés mañana por la noche a las 5 pm que luego estará disponible para que usted pueda ver el domingo también. Voy a transmitir la Misa en español el domingo a las 9 am. Por favor, continúen orando por todos los involucrados: nuestros feligreses y familias, trabajadores de la salud, personas enfermas, personas que han fallecido y sus familias, funcionarios gubernamentales y líderes de la Iglesia.

Tengo la esperanza de que podamos reanudar las misas públicas el próximo fin de semana, pero quiero asegurarme de que me hagan la prueba primero para no ponerlos en peligro. Me siento muy bien y estoy sin ningún síntoma en absoluto. Dios los bendiga y sepan que estarán en mis oraciones. ¡También cuento con la tuya!

En la paz de Cristo,

Fr. Nick Wichert

# Be a Witness of Charity

"THE CHRISTIAN EXISTS TO  
SERVE, NOT TO BE SERVED."

—Pope Francis, Homily of the  
Mass at Santa Marta, April 26, 2018



## How You Can Help

### PRAY

Pray for the Holy Father as he reaches out compassionately to serve those around the world who are suffering and will benefit from this collection.

### SHARE

As a way to spread the message of mercy and peace, share this flier with someone who might be interested, and tell others how Pope Francis supports the marginalized.

### GIVE

Please give generously to this collection as a witness of charity and an offer of hope to those who suffer around the globe.

The Peter's Pence Collection has ancient roots in New Testament times, when people would provide material support for those who preached the Gospel to distribute to those in need (see Acts 4:34-35, 11:29). Today, the collection is the way we unite ourselves to the concerns of the Holy Father as members of the Catholic Church. Through the Peter's Pence Collection, we stand in solidarity with Pope Francis as he reaches out to foster the faith and dignity of people on the margins.

### How Pope Francis Invites Us to Serve All

Over the past seven years, Islamist terrorists have attacked religious and ethnic minorities in northern Bangladesh, killing and wounding aid workers, destroying homes, and displacing families. During his apostolic visit to Bangladesh, Pope Francis called "leaders and followers of the religions present in this country to live together in mutual respect and good will" (address, Ecumenical and

Interreligious Meeting for Peace, Dhaka, Bangladesh, December 1, 2017).

### How We Can Join Pope Francis and Be a Witness of Charity

Showing mutual respect and good will toward the victims of violence in Bangladesh, the Holy Father funded a project to rebuild the homes of 55 families of all faiths who were attacked. When you support the Peter's Pence Collection, you help Pope Francis take concrete steps to foster reconciliation and peace anywhere conflict and violence exist in the world.



Peter's Pence Collection | Office of National Collections | [www.usccb.org/nationalcollections](http://www.usccb.org/nationalcollections)  
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# Sea un testigo de la caridad

“EL CRISTIANO EXISTE PARA SERVIR,  
NO PARA QUE LO SIRVAN”.

—Papa Francisco, Homilía en la Misa en Santa  
Marta, 26 de abril del 2018

## ¿Cómo pueden ayudar?

### ORANDO

Oren por el Santo Padre mientras que se acerca con compasión para servir a aquellos en el mundo quienes están sufriendo y serán los beneficiarios de esta colecta.

### COMPARTIENDO

A modo de difundir este mensaje de misericordia y de paz, comparta este folleto con alguien que pueda estar interesado y cuénteles a los demás cómo el papa Francisco apoya a los marginados.

### DANDO

Por favor, dé generosamente a esta colecta como testigo de caridad y como una ofrenda de esperanza para aquellos que sufren alrededor del mundo.

La Colecta Peter's Pence tiene unas raíces antiguas desde los tiempos del Nuevo Testamento, cuando las personas brindaban apoyo material a los que predicaban el Evangelio para que ellas lo distribuyeran entre los necesitados (ver Hechos 4:34-35, 11:29). Hoy, como miembros de la Iglesia Católica, la colecta es una forma de unirnos a las preocupaciones del Santo Padre. A través de la Colecta Peter's Pence, nos solidarizamos con el Papa Francisco en su esfuerzo por promover la fe y la dignidad de los pueblos marginados.

### ¿Cómo nos invita el papa Francisco a servir a todos?

En los últimos siete años, unos terroristas islámicos atacaron a las minorías religiosas y étnicas en la zona norte de Bangladesh, asesinando e hiriendo a trabajadores humanitarios, destruyendo viviendas y desplazando a familias. Durante su visita apostólica a Bangladesh, el papa Francisco hizo un llamado a “los líderes y los seguidores

de las religiones presentes en este país por vivir juntos con respeto recíproco y buena voluntad” (discurso, Encuentro Interreligioso y Ecuménico por la Paz, Daca, Bangladesh, 1 de diciembre del 2017).

### ¿Cómo podemos unirnos al papa Francisco y ser testigo de la caridad?

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