



# The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington

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## World Mission Sunday Pastor and Parish Toolkit 2022

### I. World Mission Sunday Overview

Every year the global Church unites to celebrate World Mission Sunday. On October 23, the World Mission Sunday collection will take place in churches around the world. Pope Francis' message for World Mission Sunday this year reflects on the theme: "You shall be my witnesses" (Acts 1:8). He reminds us that the Church is missionary in nature and that we are called at Baptism to share in this mission together.

There will be a second collection at each of the Masses during the weekend of World Mission Sunday. The donations collected will be used to support the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. The Society for the Propagation of the Faith is the Holy Father's chief outreach to more than 1,100 mission dioceses across the globe that depend on annual help and the prayers of all of us.

Together, through our prayers and financial support, we bring the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. In a divided world, World Mission Sunday rejoices in our unity as missionaries by our Baptism, as it offers each one of us an opportunity to support the life-giving presence of the Church among the poor and marginalized.

Resources for your parish office staff and parishioners can be found [here](#). Most of the resources are available in English and Spanish.

Any questions about this year's World Mission Sunday collection can be directed to Maeve Gilheney-Gallagher at [GallagherMC@adw.org](mailto:GallagherMC@adw.org).

### II. Parish World Mission Sunday Collection and Deposit Procedure 2022

1. If your parish has an online donation portal, parishioners can donate directly online. Please note **"WMS 2022"** if there is a memo option in the online portal. If they are writing a check, announce to parishioners that checks must be made payable **to the parish with the memo line reading "WMS 2022."**

2. On the remittance check, include your parish number and the collection name: World Mission Sunday 2022. The general ledger code is 85-977
3. Use the deposit slip, “For the Account of Archdiocese of Washington,” and write the total amount on the line, “World Mission Sunday “#18-49340” which is found towards the bottom of the deposit slip.
4. Scan and email a copy of the check and the deposit slip to Maeve Gilheney-Gallagher at [GallagherMC@adw.org](mailto:GallagherMC@adw.org).
5. Mail the original check and deposit slip to:  
*The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington*  
*Office of Mission*  
*P.O. Box 223394*  
*Chantilly, VA 20153-3394*

### **III. Sample Bulletin Announcements**

Sample bulletin announcements can be found [here](#).

### **IV. Sample Parish Announcements**

Sample parish announcements can be found [here](#).

### **V. Preaching Mission**

A reflection for October 23 can be found [here](#).

### **VI. Additional Resources**

Educational materials, promotional materials, and prayers can be found [here](#). Most of the resources are available in English and Spanish.