



DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO

OFFICE OF
CATHOLIC CHARITIES &
SOCIAL CONCERNS

2110 Broadway • Sacramento, California 95818 • 916/733-0200 • Fax 916/733-0215

Memo

To: Pastors, Parochial Vicars, Administrators, Deacons, and Parish Staff
From: John Watkins
Date: February 3, 2021
Subject: Mission Cooperative Appeal 2021 Special Collection

Dear Pastors, Parochial Vicars, Administrators, Deacons, and Parish Staff,

After much reflection, it has been decided that the Diocese of Sacramento will not be inviting guest missionary speakers into the parishes this Summer. Considering National and International travel restrictions and recommendations, and the ever-changing nature of the Covid-19 virus, it has been deemed a risk that would not be in the best interest of our priests or mission speakers. However, we do not want those most in need to suffer as a result of this decision so we will be taking up a special collection.

During the month of July, parishes from the Diocese will be expected to take up a special collection for the 2021 Mission Cooperative Appeal. Each parish may select the weekend in July that best suits their needs. Funds raised from the MCA will be collected and distributed equally to the selected missions as we normally do.

The selected missions have been notified of the new format for the 2021 MCA. We hope to return to the normal format next year.

Parishes will receive further instructions, bulletin announcements and envelopes for the 2021 Mission Cooperative Appeal by May 2021. The Diocese will also be producing a short MCA video that may be played in mass in lieu of the missionary speaker and/or played online.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity to the Universal Church through the Annual Missionary Cooperative Appeal.

If you have any questions, please contact Laura Rios at lrrios@scd.org or call 916-733-0253.

Respectfully,

John Watkins
Director, Catholic Charities & Social Concerns
Diocese of Sacramento