



## Diocese of Springfield in Illinois

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Office of the Bishop

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our annual collection for the Diocesan Campaign for Justice and Hope (DCJH) will be taken the weekend of November 21-22, 2020. As Catholics, we are called upon to care for the weakest and most vulnerable among us. The Campaign gives all of us an opportunity to help our neighbors in need.

Your support and partnership in the DCJH Collection is essential to success. This past June, eighteen organizations throughout the diocese were offered grants from the money you donated to last year's DCJH collection. Through your generosity, all qualified organizations received assistance. It is my hope that this year's collection will increase so that we can more fully meet the needs of those living in poverty in our diocese.

If you have not contributed to this collection before, I hope you will consider being a first-time donor. If you have contributed in the past, please consider increasing your gift by a few dollars. All the money collected is distributed to organizations within our diocese that provide help and hope to the poor in accord with Catholic teaching.

As disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ, let us offer families living in poverty our prayer, action, and financial support. Giving generously brings hope and helps individuals break out of their cycle of poverty.

May God bless you and reward you with peace and joy.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki  
Bishop of Springfield in Illinois