

## Sample Pastor's Column

Dear Friends:

Each year all parishes in the Diocese of San Diego are asked to participate in the Annual Lenten Collection. This collection raises funds for Catholic Relief Services, the Church in Africa and the Church in Latin America.

In addition to collection envelopes which we have placed *....(indicate location of envelopes)*, you can also make your contribution via our parish website at *(insert parish donation link)* or through our diocesan webpage at [www.sdcatholic.org/giving](http://www.sdcatholic.org/giving).

Special collections provide an opportunity for us as individuals and as a parish faith community to reach out in solidarity and assist those in need elsewhere in the world. Monies raised by this collection go to help the Church in areas beyond our national borders.

In this light, I encourage you to join others in our parish and throughout the diocese in responding generously to this collection.