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My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
The Lord calls us to walk with those in need, offering the hope, dignity, and compassion that flow from our faith in Jesus Christ. Throughout our Diocese of Palm Beach, Catholic Charities is a visible expression of that Gospel mission.

Catholic Charities serves people throughout our Diocese every day, assisting families in crisis, vulnerable seniors, expectant mothers, children, those experiencing hunger or homelessness, and individuals who are isolated or imprisoned. Through its many ministries, Catholic Charities upholds the dignity of every human life and makes present the compassionate love of Christ.

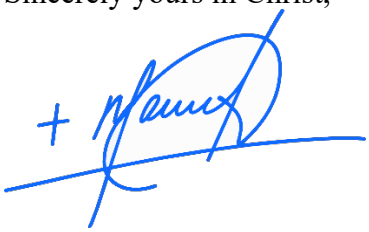
To strengthen this mission, I am asking every parish in the Diocese of Palm Beach to participate in the Annual Second Collection for Catholic Charities on the weekend of November 14-15, 2026. We have chosen this weekend because it falls near the Feast of St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Patroness of Catholic Charities. Her deep love for Christ was reflected in her humble service to the poor and marginalized. Her example reminds us that charity is not simply one of the Church's works; it is at the heart of our identity as disciples of Jesus.

I invite you to prayerfully support this collection so that Catholic Charities may continue bringing hope, healing, and help to those most in need throughout our Diocese.

Thank you for your faithful stewardship and your commitment to the mission of the Church. May God bless you and your families abundantly.

Assuring you of my remembrance in the celebration of the Eucharist and invoking upon you, your family and those you serve the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of the Apostles, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Most Reverend Manuel de Jesús Rodríguez, J.C.D.
Bishop of Palm Beach