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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

On April 24 and 25, 2021, our diocese will participate in the annual Peter's Pence Collection. The funds raised from this annual collection allow the Holy Father to respond to humanitarian disasters around the world. From assisting the recent earthquake victims in Croatia and Albania, or the refugee crisis in the Mediterranean, to free medical clinics, the Peter's Pence collection enables the Successor of Peter to respond to the needs of God's children.

As the expression itself signifies Peter's Pence, represents an offering, no matter how small, that has great meaning. Indeed, its value is not only practical, but is also highly symbolic. It represents a sign of communion with the Pope. For this reason, Peter's Pence is also the manifestation of a sense of belonging to the Church and of love for her visible head (www.obolodesanpietro.va).

By participating in the Peter's Pence Collection, you enable the Holy Father's charitable outreach to those most in need. Please prayerfully consider how you can best support the collection this year. For more information about the collection, please visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

With gratitude for your continued generosity and every prayerful wish, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito Bishop of Palm Beach