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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Next weekend, June 13/14, the Diocese of Palm Beach will collect funds for two vital causes: Black and Indian Missions and the Catholic Home Missions.

The Black and Indian Mission collection, established as the first national collection in 1874, has proven itself to be a successful vehicle for supporting the needs of our African American, Native American and Alaska Native brothers and sisters. Your support helps ensure the presence of missionaries, places Bibles and catechetical materials in the hands of priests, lay leaders and consecrated men and women, and impacts pastoral work across the country.

The Catholic Home Missions appeal provides valuable aid to dioceses and eparchies throughout the United States, as well as its territories and former territories. These home mission dioceses are unable to support essential parish operations and diocesan ministries, often due to local economic hardship, small or widely dispersed Catholic populations, or remote locations that make travel and communication difficult. Your help makes a difference in Catholic mission communities through initiatives for evangelization, faith formation, human life and dignity, strengthening marriages and families, and priestly and religious vocations.

Assuring you and all those you love of my continued remembrance in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist, and commending you to the loving intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of the Apostles, I remain

Sincerely yours in our Lord Jesus Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a plus sign followed by a stylized cursive signature.

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