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Second Collection for the Catholic Relief Services  
on March 29 and 30, 2025*

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

On the weekend of March 29-30, our Archdiocese will take up the national collection for Catholic Relief Services (CRS), a vital initiative that brings aid and hope to those in need around the world.

This year, this second collection carries even greater urgency. The U.S. government recently suspended funding for its refugee resettlement program and terminated cooperative agreements, directly impacting thousands of refugees under the care of the USCCB. Additionally, abrupt stop-work orders on foreign humanitarian aid have left organizations like Catholic Relief Services struggling to sustain essential efforts—providing food, life-saving medicine, and daily necessities to vulnerable communities.

Your generous support helps feed the hungry, assist displaced refugees, and extend Christ's love and mercy to those most in need.

To learn more about Catholic Relief Services and how your contribution makes a difference, please visit [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).

Please prayerfully consider how you can support this important mission.

May the Lord continue to bless you and your families, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "George L. Thomas".

Most Reverend George Leo Thomas, Ph.D.  
Archbishop of Las Vegas