



## DIOCESE OF JEFFERSON CITY

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

### **Catholic Relief Services Collection** **March 13-14, 2021**

*"Behold, I stand at the door and knock." — Rev 3:20*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Next weekend, our Diocese will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Your support of this collection serves **Jesus in disguise** in some of the most marginalized communities in our world.

CRS is the official international humanitarian agency of the Catholic community. For over 75 years, CRS has been providing expertise and compassion to the very poorest of our brothers and sisters in more than a 100 countries. It helps support agriculture, education, and economic development to help the poor work their way out of poverty. It also provides relief in times of famine, earthquakes, and other natural disasters.

When you give to CRS, you help fill the bellies of young children so they can focus and study hard in school. You help combat human trafficking and provide aid to survivors. Refugees and migrants find safety, assistance, and counseling. Wells are being dug to prevent women and children from traveling far to collect water. Wells also assist farmers in planting crops, even during periods of drought, so they can feed their local villages.

Your support of this collection makes a difference for so many around the globe. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection this year. Support the collection, and answer the knock of **Jesus in disguise**. I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend W. Shawn McKnight, S.T.D.  
Bishop of Jefferson City