**Sample Bishop’s Letter**

Connect with Christ

*May be read from the pulpit or inserted into the parish bulletins.*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Soon our diocese will take up a collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Please prayerfully consider supporting the collection this year. Half of the collected funds stay right here in the [*INSERT DIOCESE NAME*], and the other half support the collective communication work of the bishops as well as other national projects in the United States.

Let me share just one example of the impact of your generosity. [*Insert local project description here or use example below*.]

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Your support for the CCC allows CNS Rome to provide its coverage free of charge to dioceses in the United States and around the world. For more information about the collection and the projects it supports, visit *www.usccb.org/ccc.*

Please support the collection and connect with Christ.

Sincerely in Christ,

[*INSERT BISHOP NAME, TITLE, AND SIGNATURE*]