



Archdiocese of Philadelphia
Office of the Cardinal
222 North 17th Street
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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The story of the Church in Central and Eastern Europe is one of a journey guided by the light of Christ. It is a story of vitality and growth, of steadfastness and hope. Your contribution to the **Collection to Aid the Church in Central and Eastern Europe** helps shine the love and radiant light of Christ by supporting seminaries, social service programs, youth ministry, pastoral centers, church construction and renovation, and the spread of the Gospel message through the mass media.

I invite your generous support of this collection. This collection will be conducted in your parish on a weekend during Lent as determined by your Pastor. I am grateful, on behalf of the many hope-filled people and communities of Central and Eastern Europe, for your generous sacrifice and prayers.

Sincerely in Christ,

+ *Justin Card. Rigali*

Cardinal Justin Rigali
Archbishop of Philadelphia

(This collection is to be taken on any Sunday during Lent. Please communicate the contents of this letter to your parishioners in the most appropriate manner on the weekend prior to the date scheduled for this collection. Collection remittal is to be made payable to ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA and sent to Office for Accounting Services, 222 North 17th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103.)