

Mar Joseph Srampickal
Bishop, Syro-Malabar Eparchy of Great Britain



Bishop's Office
Our Lady of Rosary and St. Terese of Lisieux Church,
141, Parkfield Road
Saltley, Birmingham
United Kingdom
B8 3BB
Email: bishop@csmegb.org

Circular No. 10/2020

12 September 2020

COLLECTIONS FOR THE HOLY SEE AND THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Jesus Christ,

"When I am merciful, I am a true child of the Father, because the Father is merciful" (Tweet @Pontifex, 13 September 2018). This tweet from the Holy father signifies the importance of a generous and collective assurance of solidarity towards the poor and weak as well as the ecclesial communities in difficulty in our world. And in order to sustain and accomplish this particular mission of our Church, the Holy See requires the help and support of each and every faithful. Hence the Catholic church has been approaching its members for contributions and donations from them by way of collections on specific days of the year set aside for specific causes.

In the above context, I have been instructed by the Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales to carry out specific collections in our church on the following days: **Holy Place of Palestine -13th September 2020; The Peter's pence collection - 4th October 2020; World Mission Sunday - 18th October 2020.**

I sincerely believe that, through a little contribution / offering, every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as the head of the universal Church. And I am sure that with this gesture, we can widen our hearts to embrace our brethren and our Church scattered throughout the world and redefine ourselves as the true disciples of our lord Jesus Christ. "From this, they will all know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (Jn. 13, 35). You are kindly requested to make necessary arrangements to announce this in your respective parish/mission/proposed mission and encourage every community members to cooperate, contribute and support the above mentioned nobles causes within their capacity.

You may send the collections to our Eparchial Account: A/c Name : Eparchial Curia; A/c No.: 74493590; Sort Code : 01 – 67 – 14. While transferring the money please provide the reference as follows: For Holy Places of Palestine : HPP and the Mission Code (Eg. HPP 1701); For Peter's Pence : PP and the Mission Code (Eg. PP 1701), For World Mission Sunday: WMS and the Mission Code (Eg: WMS 1701).

With the assurance of my prayers and good wishes,

Yours in Lord and our God,

+ Joseph Srampickal

Mar Joseph Srampickal
Bishop, Syro-Malabar Eparchy of Great Britain