



*Letter to be read and/or published on the weekend of December 16-17, 2023  
Second Collection Letter - Archdiocese of Las Vegas Retired Priests Collection*

**Archdiocese of Las Vegas Retired Priests - Second Collection**

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Following consultation with the Presbyteral Council of the Archdiocese of Las Vegas, we have initiated the annual second collection benefitting the Retired Priests of the Archdiocese of Las Vegas. This Archdiocese of Las Vegas Retired Priests Collection will be taken up on Sunday, December 17, 2023, the third Sunday of Advent.

Las Vegas priests have selflessly ministered to the faithful of our community, continuing Christ's mission. They have served for decades, in some cases, over half a century. Our priests have been there for each of us and for our families, providing spiritual support year in and year out. Please join the faithful today in being there for them, to assist them in the dignity of their retirement and to honor their lives of service through this annual Retired Priests Collection.

The Retired Priests Collection will take place annually on the third Sunday of Advent. A video of some of our retired priests will be shared before Mass on that day. I especially thank you for praying for future priestly vocations in our rapidly growing Archdiocese, so that upon their ordinations, they may build upon the good work of these selfless priest servants.

Asking our Lord Jesus, our great High Priest, to continue to bless you and your families, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

  
+ Archbishop George Leo Thomas, Ph.D.  
Archbishop of Las Vegas