



January 8, 2018

Dear Father, Pastoral Coordinator:

The 2017 Trinity Dome Collection has concluded and I'm pleased to report that our archdiocese raised a total of **\$85,550.08**. This generous gift has been sent to the USCCB Office of National Collections to assist in completing the crowning jewel (dome) of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington DC. Often referred to as Mary's Shrine, it is the largest Catholic Church in the United States and one of the 10 largest in the world.

In preparation for the 100th anniversary of the laying of the foundation stone in 1920, the beautiful dome mosaic composed of 14 million pieces of Venetian glass was dedicated last month on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. This great American Shrine exists today as a place of worship, pilgrimage, reconciliation and evangelization due to the generosity of American Catholics and Clergy, the prayers of the faithful, and the hard work of artisans and laborers who began building it nearly 100 years ago.

Thank you for your generous support of this one-time national collection.

Sincerely,

Steve Homiack
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