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DIOCESE OF WHEELING-CHARLESTON

Dear SFX Parishioners:

Please note below information for a special collection for Sept. 19th and 20th, which the diocese announced after our print bulletin deadline.

A reminder of the collection will be noted in the bulletin Sept. 19th and 20th.

Please consider donating online at sfxmoundsville.org using our giving portal. It is simple and secure, charges no fees, and requires no registration.

For those who prefer writing checks, make them payable to "St. Francis Xavier Parish" and indicate on the memo line "Special Collection for disaster relief."

Thank you, always, for your support.

"Most Rev. Mark Brennan, Bishop of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, has approved a special collection to be held the weekend of September 19-20 in all parishes and missions throughout the diocese to support recovery efforts related to the recent natural disasters that have occurred across the country (US Gulf hurricanes and the western wildfires) as well as the devastating explosion that occurred in Beirut, Lebanon.

Proceeds from this collection will support the humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities USA and Catholic Relief Services and will provide pastoral support and rebuilding assistance to impacted dioceses through the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

As we hold the victims and first responders in our prayers during these critical days, let us also spend time in prayer and discernment as we prepare for this upcoming collection. Let us come together now to support our brothers and sisters in Christ who are suffering this horrible loss.

Please remember in prayer those who have lost their lives as a result of these disasters, as well as all those who are injured and lost their homes, cars, employment, access to food and water and to those who remain without electricity or are stranded."