# **Parish Appeal/Pulpit Announcement**

#### Please read from the pulpit or include with the weekly announcements.

Today's special collection supports the Retirement Fund for Religious. Donate to help the more than 24,000 senior religious who have dedicated their lives to service retire with dignity. Donations will provide for the essential care, medicine, and daily needs of senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who have served for decades—usually for little to no pay. Show your appreciation by supporting those who have given a lifetime.

## **Mass Resources**

December 7-8, 2024 - Second Sunday of Advent (Year C)

Readings: Bar 5:1-9 / Phil 1:4-6, 8-11 / Luke 3:1-6

# **Bulletin Announcements**

#### Week before the collection – Dec.1, 2024

**Aging religious need your help.** "Your support acknowledges that we continue the mission of Christ even in our retirement," says Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart Sister Celeste Burgos, 80. Donations provide for the care, medicine, and daily needs of over 24,000 senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to service. Please give to the Retirement Fund for Religious.

### Week of the collection – Dec. 8, 2024

**Support those who have given a lifetime.** Women and men religious have dedicated their lives to service—praying, teaching, and caring for those in need—usually for little to no pay. Today, their religious communities do not have enough retirement savings. Your donation provides for the essential care, medicine, and daily needs of thousands of senior women and men religious. Please give generously.

### Week after the collection – Dec. 15, 2024

**Women and men religious offer gratitude.** "Sincere thanks to the donors of the Retirement Fund for Religious. I hope we meet, if not in this world, then in the next," says Sister Teresa Korycka, 81, of the Sisters, Servants of Mary Immaculate. Your gift impacts over 24,000 senior women and men religious, providing them a dignified retirement. To learn how your donation helps, visit retiredreligious.org.

