

For 800 years, the Holy Land Franciscans have served in the land made holy by the life, suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus. With your support, the Holy Land Franciscans will continue to nourish Christians in the Holy Land with presence, care and service.

This Good Friday, give them more than your prayers.

The contributions you make through the Pontifical Good Friday Collection make possible the programs that support Christians in the Holy Land. Our sisters and brothers there depend on your generosity. This year, more than ever, we ask that you pledge your assistance to the people living there and those ministering in the land that Jesus made holy.



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HOW THE PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION IS USED



WHAT IS THE PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION?

IT SUPPORTS THE PEOPLE OF THE HOLY LAND AND THE PILGRIMS WHO VISIT

At the request of the Holy Father, the Franciscans of the Custody of the Holy Land promote the Pontifical Good Friday Collection in the United States and other parts of the world. Funds are distributed at the direction of the Vatican's Congregation for the Oriental Churches. A portion of funds are directly allocated to educational and ecclesial projects in the Middle East. The rest of the funds collected in the United States and a number of other countries support ministries and programs entrusted by the Holy See to the Holy Land Franciscans. The Franciscans have served in the Holy Land for 800 years.

The Pontifical Good Friday
Collection Provides

Humanitarian Pastoral
Liturgical Communication Ecumenical
Archaeological Charitable
Education Welcome Pilgrims
Care for the Holy Places



WHAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED?

LAST YEAR'S PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION:

- Supported 29 parishes, four homes for orphans, three academic institutions
- Helped keep schools open for over 10,000 pre-K through grade 12 students
- Supported 120 men preparing to be priests or brothers
- Helped rehabilitate 80 homes for Christian families
- · Provided senior care facilities in Bethlehem and Nazareth
- Created 1,500 jobs in the Holy Land for Christians
- Preserved 54 shrines connected with the life of Jesus and the prophets