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Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

On the weekend of September 7-8, 2024, parishes in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis will take up a second collection in support of The Catholic University of America located in our nation's capital. This Catholic institution of higher learning has served the Church and our nation for more than 130 years.

Your gift to this second collection, the only national collection taken for higher education in our country, will not only go to support students with various scholarships and financial aid programs but also helps the University better serve dioceses and parishes through innovative research initiatives and training programs, such as the Catholic Identity Professional Development program for teachers, staff, and school leaders in the Archdiocese of Chicago, and an innovative program that provides lower-income, primarily Hispanic and Latino students access to an affordable Catholic University undergraduate degree in Tucson, AZ.

Your generous contributions are critical to both a successful academic year and to all the important work the University does on behalf of the Church and the faithful in our country. I encourage your support of this annual collection.

With prayers and expressions of my gratitude I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Charles C. Thompson

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