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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The annual Easter collection for Regina Cleri will be taken up in parishes throughout the Archdiocese of St. Louis on Easter Sunday, March 27, 2016. Financial support for Regina Cleri primarily comes from this annual Easter collection and the Annual Catholic Appeal.

Under the guidance of Cardinal Joseph Ritter, Regina Cleri opened as a home for retired archdiocesan priests in 1959. Cardinal Ritter was considered ahead of his time for opening Regina Cleri. Regina Cleri offers our priests the opportunity to retire from service and continue to live in an active faith community.

Although retired, many of the priests residing at Regina Cleri continue to assist in archdiocesan parishes, schools, Catholic organizations, nursing homes, and hospitals. They celebrate Mass, assist with Reconciliation, visit the sick, attend parish events, and serve as spiritual leaders/counselors.

Please consider supporting the retired priests of the Archdiocese of St. Louis. These priests have served our archdiocese well and deserve both our prayers and financial support. We are very fortunate that the Archdiocese of St. Louis is able to provide excellent and proper care for our priests at Regina Cleri.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. Carlson  
Archbishop of St. Louis