

Practical FAQs for parishes

When is World Mission Sunday this year?

World Mission Sunday is celebrated annually on the second-to-last Sunday of October.

This year, it falls on Sunday 18 October.

What is World Mission Sunday?

Since Pope Pius XI established World Mission Sunday (WMS) in 1926, it has grown from a simple appeal to support missionaries through prayer and giving, into a global celebration of the Church's missionary identity. **This year we celebrate 100 years of World Mission Sunday!**

Today, it unites Catholics in prayer, solidarity and support for young and growing churches, reminding every baptised person of their call to share Christ's mission.

Who takes part?

On World Mission Sunday (WMS) every Catholic parish around the world celebrates Mass and has a special collection for Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission.

WMS is one of only three Papal collections and has been especially chosen by the Holy Father to support missionaries and new and emerging churches via Missio.

Where do I send the World Mission Sunday collection?

Please send donations from your parish directly to Missio in the Freepost envelope provided. Cheques from parishioners, made out to World Mission Sunday or Missio, can be sent directly to us together with the parish collection and any completed

Please do not send Gift Aid forms and donation envelopes to your diocesan offices.

If parishioners wish to complete the form on our prepaid donation envelopes to give by card, please remind them to return these directly to Missio rather than place them in the parish collection. They will be added to your parish total.

How can people donate online?

Individual supporters can give directly through our secure website. Simply visit **missio.org.uk/wmsdonate** to help build a future of hope around the world. You can also scan this QR code to make a donation:

