



## Pro-life Sunday Collection

1. The Pro-life Sunday collection takes place on the third Sunday in June, Father's Day.
2. The parish collects and counts the funds and deposits them in the parish bank account.
3. The parish records the donations in the parish's donation system and issues tax receipts to donors per the parish's tax receipting policy.
4. The parish prepares a cheque in the amount of the collection payable to the Archdiocese of Vancouver and sends the cheque to the Office of Life, Marriage and Family by mid-July.
5. Pro-life groups and organizations request money through a grant application. The grant application is posted on the Archdiocesan website at:

<http://rcav.org/pro-life-sunday/>

Applications will be sent by mail to the previous year's applicants. For convenience, a copy of the grant application is included in this policy.

6. Applications must be received by the end of September and are to be accompanied by the applicant's latest year-end financial statements and project budget.
7. A committee shall be struck for a term of one year consisting of the Director, Office of Life, Marriage and Family; the Coordinator, Respect for Life; and a group of people recommended by the Coordinator and approved by the Archbishop. Those recommended are people within the pro-life community and whose organizations are not seeking grant money in the current year.
8. The committee will meet once to review the applications and decide the recipients of the funding, based on the criteria noted in the grant application and the amount of grant money available.
9. For groups without a registered charity status, an agency agreement will be made between a representative of the group and the Archdiocese of Vancouver, represented by the Vicar General. For convenience, an agency agreement is included in this policy.
10. Disbursements of the funds will be completed by the end of October.

**Approved: January 19, 2017**

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "J. Michael Miller CSB".

**✠ J. Michael Miller, CSB  
Archbishop of Vancouver**

*With this approval, the policy named **Pro-life Sunday Collection**, effective 2015, is hereby abrogated.*