



## **May 22, 2005 - Chancellor's Statement Refutes Council of Parishes Charge On Special Collections**

Chancellor David W. Smith said, "The Archdiocese takes up special collections for many purposes including support for our clergy. Each one of those collections is remitted exactly as we represent it will be. Both the Archdiocese of Boston and the clergy funds are audited on an annual basis and at no time have any of the audit firms raised any questions whatsoever about our handling of these funds. With regards to the lawsuits, we will respond appropriately through legal channels."

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