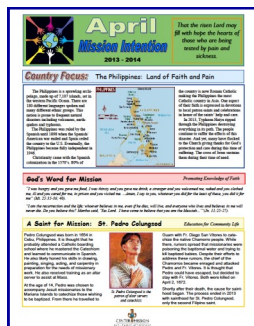


Mission Enrichment for Schools/Parishes 2015/2016

During the year:



MONTHLY MISSION INTENTIONS RESOURCE: Year-long

Opens up the many dimensions of missionary faith enabling teachers to teach to the five Catholic education standards.

- Monthly, one-page resource reflecting mission intentions of the world-wide Catholic Church
- Sent electronically to principals two weeks prior to the beginning of each month
- Includes a specific country focus, Biblical and Church teaching references, an appropriate saint story, Catholic social dimensions, moral dimensions, sacramental dimension and prayer



GLOBAL MISSION DAY: During the school year

Encourages a school to celebrate unity in diversity. This day, selected anytime during the school year by each parish or school, exposes students to the global dimension of our Catholic faith.

- Celebrate a special liturgy with global music, preaching and other references to global cultures and languages
- Host a guest missionary speaker
- Pray a living missionary rosary using children with different color shirts representing different continents
- Experience food, music, dance and games from other countries

December

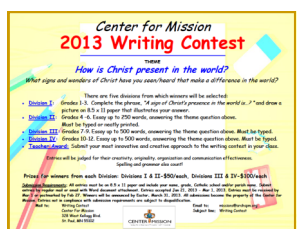


HOLY BUCKETS: Dec 7-18, 2015

Focuses on sharing the gift of faith and recalls that the greatest gift of Christmas is God's gift of himself to us in Jesus. Students:

- Receive a calendar of ways to focus prayer, service and sacrifice to help other children
- Commit to offering at least one hour of prayer, one hour of service and one dollar for children in need around the world
- Order deadline is September 30, 2015

January



WRITING CONTEST: Jan 11, 2016 - Feb 10, 2016

Contest poses a question to Catholic parish and school students in which they respond by giving witness to their Catholic faith.

- Four grade-level categories 1-3, 2-6, 7-9 and 10-12
- Winners receive cash prizes and award certificates
- Teachers can submit their most innovative ways of engaging students in the contest.
- Entries due Feb 10, 2016 Ash Wednesday

February



CRS RICE BOWL: Feb 17, 2016 - Mar 18, 2016

Introduces students to Catholic social teaching through global solidarity. Students:

- Receive a bowl, weekly stories, prayers and almsgiving opportunities (echoing Lenten disciplines) for those struggling in other countries
- Can engage program with families or in class
- Orders for Rice Bowl materials accepted until Dec 18, 2015

March



LIVING WATER: 2- 4 weeks during the Easter Season

Easter program focuses on mission and the sacramental life of faith. Students:

- Learn about the important issue of water in the life of our sister Diocese of Kitui, Kenya as they struggle in a drought
- Receive a two-week calendar and special water bottle to learn about the situation, pray and contribute coins for water projects in Kitui.
- Orders due Mar 15, 2016

April