

LNMV Religious Education Program

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Dear Students and Parents,

Last year during Lent we collected items and prayed for the Catholic parish in Venezuela that our Archdiocese has been active in supporting for over 40 years. This year has been a very hard year for our brothers and sisters in Venezuela. Priests from our diocese continue to minister at the Parish of Jesucristo Resucitado in Venezuela. Former pastors of Immaculate Conception and St. Nicholas (Fr. McCabe and Fr. Adams) have also served this parish in Venezuela. The parish is a refuge for the sick, hungry and dying. The needs are so great that the parish has its own medical clinic, dentist office and medical lab to help with their physical needs as well as spiritual. The widespread shortages of food and medicine along with high unemployment and widespread violence make everyday life difficult.

These are our Brothers and Sisters in Christ and they need our prayers and our help. On the reverse side of this letter you will find a Lenten calendar to follow throughout Lent. Each day asks for prayers and a donation for the people of Venezuela and the parish.

I will have a collection bin each week at our religion classes. Due to the transportation of the donations by the lay and priest missionaries traveling back and forth to Venezuela using suitcases filled with supplies, we are asking that the donations be smaller bottles of shampoos, non-liquid medicines, vitamins, toothpastes, etc. rather than large\giant size products.

Father Greg and Father James Peterson are very excited to have all of you helping them and especially praying for the good people of the parish of ***Jesus Christ is Risen*** (Jesucristo Resucitado) Church in Venezuela. If you have any questions please feel free to email or call me. May God bless you for your generosity.

What a gift to the families of Venezuela to have the children and their families from our three parishes praying for them and helping provide for their needs. If you want to learn more check out the website at:
<http://venezuela.archspm.org/>

It is important that anything with expiration dates stay in the original boxes along with non-liquid medicines.

In Christ,

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