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NEW CRS Rice Bowl mobile App

A Lenten app for living your faith!

- Read daily Lenten reflections!
- Track your Lenten fast!
- See how your Lenten sacrifice can help the world's poor!

We will be launching the app at the CRS Rice Bowl Breakfast at the Catholic Social Ministry Gathering in Washington DC on **February 5th!**

The app will be available for free download in the Apple Store and Google Play store (for both Apple and Android devices).



DID YOU ORDER RICE BOWL MATERIALS?

There's still time! Order materials throughout Lent!

[Order online](#) or by calling 1-800-222-0025.

TAKE THE LENTEN PHOTO CHALLENGE

What are you, your parish, or diocese doing for Lent?

Snap a photo of it, **enter** it into the photo challenge and **WIN!**

How to enter:

Tweet or Instagram a photo with **#VivaLent** hashtag, or submit your photo on the [Photo Challenge](#) page!

Beginning **Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2014!**

YOU COULD WIN a CRS Fair Trade Easter Basket!

Watch our Facebook page for more details! Spread the word!



NEW! CRS Global Kitchen

Fr. Leo Patalinghug is back in the CRS kitchen cooking up this year's simple, meatless CRS Rice Bowl recipes. Learn how what we eat can build solidarity worldwide and share a simple meal with your friends, family or faith community!

Stay tuned to our Facebook, Twitter and webpage for these videos in early February.

PRESENTATIONS

- Una Jornada Familiar: Spanish-language presentation shows how CRS Rice Bowl is a faith formation tool for Spanish-speaking families.
- CRS Rice Bowl in the parish: Learn how to plan and implement this Lenten program in your parish.

CRSRICEBOWL.ORG UPDATE:

There's a few new features for 2014!

LENTEN ACTIVITIES FOR FAMILIES

The new Family Activities page on the CRS Rice Bowl website offers activities for families to use in the home this Lent!

MEATLESS MEAL RECIPE ARCHIVE

On the new Recipes page, search for past (2013) and present CRS Rice Bowl meatless meal recipes, print them, and share on social media.

You're invited to...

CRS Rice Bowl Breakfast: A Celebration of Solidarity

When: Feb. 5 at the Catholic Social Ministry Gathering (CSMG)

Join us for a dynamic celebration of music and culture of the Rice Bowl feature country of the Philippines. We will unveil our NEW CRS Rice Bowl app and learn about CRS' efforts in the Philippines!

WEBINARS

Thank you for joining us for recent webinars! In case you missed it, you can find recordings and powerpoint slides on our CRS Rice Bowl dioceses page.

- 2/13, 2pm EST: **Webinar for DREs and Catechists:** Sign up here.

UPCOMING LENT 2014 RESOURCES (on crsricebowl.org during Feb.)

Community Reflections: *for young adults and university students*

A joint initiative between CRS Rice Bowl and CRS University, these guided meditations have been intentionally designed to accompany small faith-sharing groups through the season of Lent.

Meditate on the realities faced by the poor and vulnerable overseas, discuss your role in the social mission of the Church and design steps to put your faith into action!

Faith Formation: *resources to deepen your Lenten liturgies*

Begin and end your Lenten journey as a community of faith by incorporating the newly designed Blessing of the CRS Rice Bowls and Offertory Collection resources into your liturgies. Contemplate how Jesus' path to Calvary is walked everyday by the world's poor in the redesigned Stations of the Cross, and learn how this year's featured saints lived out the Gospel message in their own lives.