

## CRS RICE BOWL NEWSLETTER MAY & JUNE 2014

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This newsletter is now available online at <a href="mailto:crsricebowl.org/dioceses">crsricebowl.org/dioceses</a>.

### Have your parishes and schools turned in their donations?

- Remind parishes and schools to turn in their donations.
- Use your diocesan detail report to see which parishes and schools ordered rice bowls; make sure all the communities listed in this report turned in their donations.
- Parishes and schools can either mail donations to the diocese or turn them in online at <u>crsricebowl.org/give</u>. In either case, the diocese receives 25% to put towards local poverty alleviation efforts and CRS receives 75% for overseas programs.
- Need more information? <u>Review Revenue</u> <u>Collection Instructions</u> or visit <u>crsricebowl.org/dioceses.</u>



#### Saying "Thank You"

Here are a few ways you can thank participating parishes and schools:

- Send a Bishop's Thank You Letter.
- Send a Certificate of Appreciation.

Here are a few ways for parishes and schools to thank CRS Rice Bowl participants:

• Host a <u>Community Celebration</u>: Bring your faith community together one more time to celebrate what you've done during your Lenten journey and reflect how to continue to live as one church in solidarity with the poor. Read one more <u>Story of Hope</u>, watch <u>the Thank</u> You video, and <u>cook one more meatless meal</u>.

#### 2015:

#### CRS RICE BOWL'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY

In 2015, CRS Rice Bowl celebrates 40 years of bringing Lent to life. We have a lot in store for next Lent, and we'll be giving you sneak peaks throughout the summer and fall.

Here's the first:

#### **2015 Featured Countries**

Democratic Republic of Congo

Tanzania

Lebanon

Nicaragua

Niger

Stay tuned for more on 2015!

# ADMINISTERING THE LOCAL 25 PERCENT: A WEBINAR Please join us

Wednesday, May 21, 2pm EST

- Learn best practices and creative ideas for administering the local 25 percent of CRS Rice Bowl donations.
- Hear from Diocesan Directors and CRS Rice Bowl Coordinators from the Archdiocese of Washington and Archdiocese of Seattle on setting up grant programs, partnering with Catholic Charities and more.
- BONUS: Get an overview of the 2014 collection process.

Please let us know you will be attending: <u>RSVP Here.</u>

## RICE BOWL: A FAMILY MEAL

Check out this video from a family from Our Mother of Consolation Parish making a CRS Rice Bowl meatless meal.

