

CRS Rice Bowl has inspired Lenten prayers, fasting and almsgiving for Catholic families in the U.S. -- and delivered hope to millions around the world -- for more than 40 years.

We want faith communities in your diocese to be a part of the journey again in 2016!

Order Updating

DD Designated Diocese

The CRS Rice Bowl team has emailed spreadsheets with all orders from participating organizations in DD designated (arch)dioceses.

Please return updated spreadsheets by **October 5th to <u>crsricebowl@crs.org</u>**.

IND Designated Diocese

Ask your constituents to be on the lookout for the CRS Rice Bowl order mailing in mid-October, and encourage them to respond to update their 2016 orders.

Organizations can complete and **mail** the card from their mailing, **call** 1-800-222-0025, or update their order **online** at crsricebowl.org/order!

Please remind participating organizations that if they do not update orders, they will be sent the same order as 2015.

Email <u>crsricebowl@crs.org</u> if you have questions about your (arch)diocese's designation.



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What's New For 2016?

Hispanic Ministry—Reflexiones de Pastoral

Juvenil: Accompany your youth and young-adult ministries with faith formation modules that offer activities, reflections on scripture and prayers to bring Lent to life.

Stations of the Cross Digital Retreats: One-minute video reflections immerse you in Jesus' walk to Calvary—and serve to remind us that even on the way to the cross, Christ reached out to the poor and vulnerable.

Community Reflections—Laudato Si' Edition: Gather small faith-sharing groups of young adults to prayerfully consider how cultivating the spiritual pillars of Lent can impact our common home.



See a full listing of 2016 CRS Rice Bowl webinars and sign up at <u>http://goo.gl/forms/NYG0z6yvjP</u>.

All webinars **will last approximately 20 minutes** with time for questions and recordings will be available at <u>crsricebowl.org</u>.

Almsgiving Update

In connection with the prayers and fasting of your faith communities, we are excited to share that the Lenten sacrifices for 2015, received thus far from 103 (arch)dioceses, have exceeded \$7 million dollars!

Thanks for taking part in the power of 40 years of CRS Rice Bowl—these alms are changing lives in your local community and around the world!

Donations can still be sent to:

CRS Rice Bowl P.O. Box 17090 Baltimore, MD 21297-0303

Transmittal Forms

We are still waiting to receive some 2015 Transmittal Forms. Please send yours in ASAP if you haven't already!

Please <u>complete both sides of the form</u>, email it at your earliest convenience to <u>crsricebowl@crs.org</u> and send a hard copy of the form with your diocesan gift.

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Webinar Schedule

What's New for CRS Rice Bowl 2016? Learn what's new for CRS Rice Bowl 2016 and revisit classic materials to get ready to bring Lent to life in your community

CRS Rice Bowl & Global High Schools In partnership with CRS Global High Schools, learn what CRS Rice Bowl has to offer your high school students.

Lent in the Classroom Get an overview of CRS Rice Bowl educational offerings for elementary school and religious education classes

CRS Rice Bowl: Are YOU Ready for Lent? With Lent right around the corner, get the rundown on what's new, awesome and classic for CRS Rice Bowl 2016. (Similar content to What's New for CRS Rice Bowl 2016?)

Plato de Arroz de CRS This Spanish-language webinar will give an overview of Plato de Arroz de CRS, all materials and provide particular insight into connecting this program with a Hispanic audience. 2 PM EST — October 26, 2015

Diocesan Directors & Audience: CRS Rice Bowl Coordinators

10:30 AM EST - November 4, 2015

Teachers & Audience: Principals

2 PM EST — November 9, 2015

Catechists, Teachers & Audience: Educators

2 PM & 7 PM EST - January 11, 2016

Diocesan Directors & Audience: CRS Rice Bowl Coordinators

2 PM EST – January 21, 2016

Coordinators of Audience: Hispanic Ministry



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