

WEEK 5: REVIEW

SOLIDARITY

We are all God's children and, as one family, are deeply connected to people in our communities and around the world. When one of our sisters or brothers suffers, we all suffer. When one of our sisters or brothers has hope and joy, we all have hope and joy.

STORIES OF HOPE

Over the past few weeks, we traveled to Guatemala, Bangladesh and Rwanda, where families are doing some pretty amazing things. Let's review what we learned from our sisters and brothers in these countries:

- We all have dreams. What we do to achieve these dreams makes a difference in our lives and the lives of our family and community.
- Many children around the world are malnourished, and their parents and community are going the extra mile to make sure they get better.
- Sometimes it takes a lot of work and a desire to learn new things to succeed.

Although Lent is near the end, there's still time to continue the three pillars of prayer, fasting and almsgiving to grow with God and our global family. Just like how you have to practice reading or math or playing your favorite sport or instrument, we have to practice these pillars regularly—even when it's not Lent.

FACTS TO CONSIDER:

- Saint John Paul II wrote about solidarity in his encyclical *Sollicitudo Rei Socialis*, explaining that solidarity means a firm commitment to the good of each individual because we are responsible for each other.



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- Catholic Relief Services works with the Catholic Church, partners and program participants in more than 100 countries to help people live in dignity. We reach more than 140 million people with food, shelter, job training and other lifesaving support.
- The COVID-19 pandemic has greatly increased world hunger. The World Food Programme estimates nearly 1 billion people do not have enough to eat. With prayers and support from people like you, CRS can help millions of women, men and children access nutritious food to stay healthy.



For downloadable photos, visit crsricebowl.org/photos and read the story from Week 5 at crsricebowl.org/stories.

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45 MINUTES

OBJECTIVE

Students will learn about the Catholic social teaching principle of Solidarity as they review what they learned from the Stories of Hope throughout Lent.

MATERIALS

- Week 5 story—available at crsricebowl.org/stories.
- Week 5 Activity Sheet: Grades 1-3.
- One die for each group.

DISCUSSION (15 MINUTES)

1. Ask students to recall what three countries you explored during Lent and to show where those countries are located on the map.
2. Read the story from Week 5.
3. Reflect:
 - What was your favorite story we read during Lent? Why?
 - What was one of the story character's dreams?
 - What is one of your dreams?

ACTIVITY (25 MINUTES)

1. Explain the Catholic social teaching principle of Solidarity. We are all God's children and as one human family we are deeply connected to people around the world—wherever they may be. We are affected by the joy and suffering of all.
2. Have students play the Week 5 Snakes and Ladders game. Put students in groups of two to four and take turns throwing the die. The number they get is the number of spaces they move on the board.
 - a. If they land on a ladder, they advance to the top of the ladder.
 - b. If they land on a snake, they go down to the bottom of the snake.
 - c. The winner is the person or team that reaches the FINISH square first.

CLOSING PRAYER (5 MINUTES)

God our Father,

Thank you for making us your children—members of one big family made up of so many unique, wonderful people around the world. Help us to love Raúl, Lilian, Noornobi, Glorioso, Karekezi and every person as our sisters and brothers.

Amen

AT HOME

1. Say a special prayer for the people you learned about this Lent.
2. As a family, read and discuss the daily reflection in your **CRS Rice Bowl Lenten Calendar**.

IF YOU ONLY HAVE



1. Read the Week 5 story.
2. Lead Discussion step 3.

<div>FINISH</div>		39	38	37 Flooding	36	35
28	29	30	31	32	33	34
27 No access to clean water	26 Teaching others	25 Poor diet	24	23	22	21
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
13 Savings groups	12	11	10	9	8 Donating to CRS Rice Bowl	7
<div>START</div>	1	2	3	4 Nutrition classes	5	6