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Dear Friends in Christ,

Each year, Catholic Relief Services' (CRS) Rice Bowl Lenten faith-in-action program connects Catholics in our diocese to stories of communities in need around the world, while providing resources to bring Lenten spirituality to families, parishes and school communities.

Office of the Bishop

If you read my pastoral letter, "Sharing the Gift," you read about my call to evangelize and the urgency to find every opportunity to do so by sharing the light of Christ with our family and friends. The CRS Rice Bowl activities present a perfect opportunity to put our faith into action and invite others to walk with us during this Lenten season through discussions, prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

I encourage all of the families, parishes and schools in our diocese to use the CRS Rice Bowl for Lent 2023 to enrich their Lenten journey.

You can find resources in English and Spanish to inspire and guide you at <u>crsricebowl.org</u> or <u>crsplatodearroz.org</u>. You can also reach out to our Office of Advocacy and Justice and learn more about the work of CRS and the many other opportunities to put your faith-into-action.

Yours in Christ.

Most Reverend William A. Wack, CSC

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