



Dear families,

Lent presents us with a special opportunity to repent, deepen our prayer life, and serve those in need. These are often referred to as the Three Pillars of Lent. To aid our students in these efforts, we are participating in the CRS Rice Bowl project, sponsored by Catholic Relief Services.

Yesterday, a small box and calendar was sent home with every student at St. Martha's. The calendar has daily entries centered on learning, reflection, and taking action during this Lenten season. There are thoughtful activities for your family to participate in, such as repurposing an old toy instead of buying a new one, along with creative suggestions for giving, such as donating 50 cents for every working faucet in your household. The end goal is to instill a sense of solidarity with those who are less fortunate.

During Holy Week, we ask that the Rice Bowls are returned to school with any donations added to the box. 75% of the donations will reach children and families in underserved communities around the world. 25% will stay in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

Please consider utilizing these resources throughout your family's Lenten journey. I am happy to answer any questions you may have about the Rice Bowl, calendar, and/or the work that Catholic Relief Services engages in around the world.

Thank you,
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