

**To: Rice Bowl Coordinators and contacts,**

Catholic Relief Services has shipped the bulk shipment of CRS Rice Bowl supplies (to all parishes and to participating schools)! Our understanding is that you should receive a box or boxes by Friday, January 11<sup>th</sup>.

On arrival please check the shipment to assure you have received the amount of (free) materials needed for your community this Lent. Please check to see if enough Rice Bowls/Spiritual Guides and other items have been received; we can gladly order more for you as needed. NOTE: Again this year the Spiritual Guides (formerly the Calendar Guides) are inserted into the Rice Bowls.



*As you prepare for the CRS Rice Bowl program this Lent, please visit the CRS Rice Bowl web site: <http://www.csricebowl.org> and <http://www.crsplatodearroz.org>. You can find there the online version of all the print materials (including the exceedingly helpful [2013 Coordinator's Guide](#)), plus more downloadable resources for parish ministries and education programs, school classrooms, and individual and household activities and prayer (e.g. bulletin announcements and insert to use before or at the start of Lent).*

*Please also consider creative ways of how you will be distributing Rice Bowls in your community. You might even want to post a [CRS Rice Bowl banner](#) on your parish/school's website or Facebook page.*

*If you have any questions, suggestions or requests, please contact us\* in the Missions Office.*

**Thank you!**

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**"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me..."**

**And don't forget to RSVP for the online [Rice Bowl forum](#) January 16th @ 10:00am!!!**