

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY



The Pontifical Mission Society of the Propagation of Faith pursues its activities throughout the year, but intensifies them especially during October, which the month of World Mission. The Society has a unique role in supporting the mission of the church. The participation of all dioceses, manifested on World Mission Sunday is of critical importance for this support. The World Mission Sunday is set aside for Catholic's worldwide to recommit themselves to the church's missionary activity through prayer and sacrifice. The feast is celebrated annually on the next to last Sunday in October. The church has a great occasion to show solidarity on the day dedicated to the mission. It is through love that we reach out to our brothers and sisters with the message of love. "World Mission Sunday is an appropriate time for better understanding that witness of love, soul of Mission, concerns everyone" [Pope Benedict XVI Mission Sunday 2006-

Charity, Soul Mission]. We should therefore endeavour to include all people without any exception in the work of evangelization.

The Pontifical Mission Society of the Propagation of Faith animates the Christian communities to live out their own missionary vocation and take an active part in the universal mission of the church. As members of the ecclesial community, the people of God play a vital role in building of the church in all its aspects. The Society of the Propagation of Faith promotes the universal missionary spirit, a spirit of prayer and sacrifice among all the baptized Catholics. It invites all the baptized Catholics to express their missionary commitment by offering their prayers, personal sacrifices and financial support for the work of the church in the missions. Mission is the very reason for the church's existence. Jesus' own mission is the essential mission of the church.

The Pontifical Mission Society of the Propagation of Faith helps each and everyone of the Catholic Church's mission dioceses and territories to provide pastoral care.

Let us put the work of the mission in the sure hands of our heavenly mother, the first missionary of our Lord.