



Missionary Childhood Association Confirmation Service Requirements

Complete 4 of the below Activities for 3 hours of service.

Please use cover sheet attached for submissions

Activities

1. Who are missionaries? Answer the question and list examples of mission work. Write a letter to a missionary (the DRVC Mission office will mail to a missionary), thanking them and expressing their inclusion in your prayers. Feel free to make a card, share a picture, etc.
2. Solidarity in Catholic Social Teaching asks us to be our brothers' and sisters' keepers, wherever they may be. We are one human family whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economic, and ideological differences. God created us all equally. Make a collage representing the Catholic Church globally. How are we the same in God's kingdom; how do we differ? Use pictures from print media and/or the internet (with adult permission).
3. Read "The Great Commission" (Matthew 28:19-20). Write it out and tell about how you think Jesus' words are lived out by missionaries today.
4. Who is the Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen? What does he have to do with Mission? Write an essay of maximum 300 words on Archbishop Sheen and include at least one quote.
5. Do you have to travel around the world to be a missionary? List and explain five ways you can be a missionary right here in our Diocese. Use the Works of Mercy to help you.
6. Who is St. Therese of Lisieux? Research St. Therese and write an essay of her life and why she is important to the missions. 300 words or less.
7. Watch this video on Care for God's Creation <https://www.crs.org/resource-center/CST-101?tab=care-for-gods-creation>. List ten ways you can help Care for God's Creation. Think of reduce, reuse, recycle to help you.
8. What is the World Mission Rosary? Who created it? What does each color represent? See attached activity sheet for this selection and resource for assistance.
9. Take a Missionary Childhood Mite Box and collect money for the MCA whose motto is "children helping children." See attached information sheet.
10. Why is Jesus the Greatest Missionary? Write a paragraph and illustrate Jesus as missionary.

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Missionary Childhood Association Confirmation Service Requirements Submission

NAME: _____

PARISH: _____

ACTIVITIES COMPLETED (please list number of activity):

Please attach all completed activities to this sheet. You may put more than one activity on a sheet and print double sided. Please clearly label each activity. Once reviewed and all requirements met, within reason, a letter will be issued confirming the service hours.

Thank you!



The World Mission Rosary Assignment #8

Name _____

Parish _____

1. The World Mission Rosary was created by: _____

2. The purpose of the World Mission Rosary is:

3. What do the different colors on the World Mission Rosary represent?

Blue _____

White _____

Red _____

Green _____

Yellow _____

What is the World Mission Rosary?

In 1951, Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen created the World Mission Rosary. Each decade of the World Mission Rosary represents a different area of the world where missionaries continue to share the Good News of Jesus. GREEN symbolizes the forests and grasslands of AFRICA. BLUE is for the ocean surrounding the ISLANDS OF THE PACIFIC. WHITE symbolizes EUROPE, home of the Holy Father, shepherd of the world; RED shows the fire of faith that brought the first missionaries to the AMERICAS, and YELLOW, is for the morning light of the East, symbolizing ASIA.

To pray the World Mission Rosary, reflect on each area of the world according to the particular color bead described above at the time you announce each Mystery.

When you have completed the World Mission Rosary, you have given the World a big hug!

To find out how you can receive your very own World Mission Rosary, write to MCA at MCAorders@propofaith.org.

Who Is Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen?



Venerable Archbishop Sheen was a national director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, a Pontifical Mission Society like the Missionary Childhood Association. He even had his own television show – and won an Emmy Award! Venerable Archbishop Sheen died on December 9, 1979.

His cause for sainthood was opened in September 2002. He was declared venerable on June 28, 2011.

Why should I pray the Rosary?

The Rosary is a special set of prayers to God that help us to remember the most important events in the lives of Mary and Jesus.

These events are called the Mysteries. There are 20 Mysteries in total. Five are called The Joyful Mysteries, five are called The Luminous Mysteries, five are called The Sorrowful Mysteries and five are called The Glorious Mysteries.

These Mysteries are stories about the lives of Mary and Jesus. Each group of Mysteries relates to one group of ten beads on the Rosary. This group of ten beads is called a decade.

How do I pray the Rosary?

- Hold the Crucifix, make the sign of the cross and pray the Apostles Creed.
- On the first large bead, pray the Our Father once.
- On each of the next three small beads, pray one Hail Mary and then one Glory Be.
- On the next large bead, announce the first Mystery and think about that mystery. Pray the Our Father.
- On each of the next ten small beads, pray a Hail Mary. Then pray a Glory Be.
- On the next large bead, announce the next Mystery and think about that mystery. Pray the Our Father.
- On each of the next ten small beads, pray a Hail Mary. Then pray a Glory Be.
- Continue in the same way as you just did until each of the five Mysteries in that decade is said.
- After the five Mysteries are completed, pray the Hail, Holy Queen.



Pray
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MISSION ROSARY**
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The Mysteries

Certain days of the week are reserved for thinking about each set of Mysteries. For example, since Sunday is the day when we remember that Jesus rose from the dead, Catholics think about the Glorious Mysteries when praying the Rosary. On Friday, which is the day we usually recall Jesus dying on the cross, we reflect on the Sorrowful Mysteries.

JOYFUL MYSTERIES (Monday & Saturday)

The Annunciation

May the Good News of a Savior, first announced to Mary, be proclaimed to all the world.

The Visitation

That missionaries who travel long roads bearing Christ to those in need may be strengthened in faith and holiness.

The Birth of Jesus

For children of the Missions, especially those who are poor and homeless, that they may know the love of Jesus.

The Presentation of the Child Jesus in the Temple

That Catholic families of the Missions, by the example of their lives, may show the love of Christ to their neighbors.

The Finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple

That all people in the Missions who live in sorrow may find peace and hope in the Gospel message.

SORROWFUL MYSTERIES (Tuesday & Friday)

The Agony in the Garden

That all those filled with faith living in the Missions may feel the presence of the Lord in their lives.

The Scourging at the Pillar

That children in the Missions who hunger and thirst may be fed and comforted through our sharing.

The Crowning with Thorns

For refugees and homeless children in the Missions, may they find hope in Christ's promise of eternal happiness.

The Carrying of the Cross

For the Church in the United States, that by our prayers and sacrifices for the Missions, we may help bear the burdens of our brothers and sisters worldwide.

The Crucifixion

That those who hunger and thirst for justice in the Missions may work peacefully and successfully toward their goal.

GLORIOUS MYSTERIES (Sunday & Wednesday)

The Resurrection

For the Church worldwide, that our faith in the Risen Christ may draw others to Him.

The Ascension

That Christ, who lived as a man and returned to the Father, will grant to all people knowledge of the Way to eternal life.

The Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles

For our Holy Father, that the Holy Spirit will grant him wisdom, fortitude and holiness as he guides the Church in the path of Christ.

The Assumption of Our Lady into Heaven

That Mary, who gave the human body of Christ to the world, may inspire us who form the Body of Christ on earth to proclaim His message to all peoples.

The Crowning of Our Lady Queen of Heaven

That through the intercession of Mary, Queen of the Missions, young men and women will offer their lives to God as priests and Religious in service of their neighbors.

LUMINOUS MYSTERIES (Thursday)

Moments from Jesus' public ministry — with stories from the Missions

The Baptism in the Jordan

In a hospital in Hong Kong, a Sister spoke to a young cancer patient, an orphan, about God, our loving Father, and about heaven, our eternal home. Baptized, the child made the journey to God clothed in Christ because a Sister had shared with him the fruits of her own baptism.

The Wedding at Cana

Mother Teresa once brought rice to a hungry family only to find the next day the food was gone. A neighboring family also had no food, receiving from the first family not only the sustenance but also the witness of Christian love.

The Proclamation of the Kingdom of God & Call to Conversion

In East Africa, a Catholic family, hearing of a village far from their own where the people had never heard of Christ, moved there. Day by day, they would tell — and show — the people what it means to be a follower of Christ.

The Transfiguration

To catch even a glimpse of the glory that awaits us in Christ is a gift beyond compare for millions of people whose lives are a daily struggle. Such a glimpse was caught in Liberia, West Africa. When people by the hundreds fled from their homes in the midst of civil war, their pastor said, "They left all of their belongings behind, but they brought with them one valuable possession — their faith."

The Institution of the Eucharist

World Mission Sunday, celebrated each year on the next-to-last Sunday in October, in the context of the Mass, reminds us that we who eat Christ's Body and drink His Blood are sent to continue His mission to the world.



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About Missionary Childhood Association



Founded in 1843 in France by Bishop Charles de Forbin Jansen, the Missionary Childhood Association (formerly Holy Childhood Association) is an international organization whose membership is made up of students in Catholic elementary schools and religious education programs. It is a Pontifical organization dedicated to fostering children's awareness of the missionary nature of the Church. The Diocese of



Rockville Centre's MCA program strives to gather prayers and financial support for children in mission countries, while at the same time animating a missionary spirit and inviting all children to help spread the Good News of Jesus to other children around the world. MCA endeavors to attain its end through the united efforts of all Catholic children who are taught to recognize that sensitivity to others is an essential dimension of Christianity. Today MCA is in 110 countries and **is the official agency of the Holy Father for the distribution of the fund raising proceeds realized through the efforts of children for their underprivileged brothers and sisters in Third World situations.**

What is an MCA mite box?



The MCA Mite Box is a paper bank that allows children to contribute funds that will help in parts of the world that do not have the items our children have here. Children learn how to make the Lent season more meaningful by offering prayers and sacrifices for children in need who await the "Good News" of Jesus. Under the MCA banner, **Children Helping Children**, monies raised are directed towards self-help programs involving the building of schools, the provision of health and nutrition programs and medications, school fees, and teaching and learning resources. The success of this project depends upon the kindness and generosity of the children of the Diocese of Rockville Centre. *Please be as generous as your means allow.*

\$4 helps provide clean water for 1 child
\$5 provides milk for 1 child for a month
\$8 provides books & pencils for 5 children
\$10 buys 400 loaves of white bread