



Lenten Service Project



The good news this Lenten season is that we have the opportunity to provide the needy with help; thus, giving the good nuns and 100+ children of Hogar del Pobre orphanage hope this Lenten season. In gratitude, they pray for us at daily mass, which the children attend in the chapel on their property. As in years past, there will be pictures of the orphans posted in each classroom, and we will continue to pray for them by name during Lent. Based upon new governmental regulations, they are telling us that the best way we can help right now is to accept monetary donations (not clothing like in years past). These funds will be used to purchase a new refrigerator and to build a new school on their property. Each classroom will set a monetary goal to collect during Lent. Once they reach their goal, the class will decorate their paper brick and place it on a school outline display. So look for our progress of building a school together throughout Lent outside of the office. Your child can help by:

- Bring cash donations (**dollars only – no coins, please**) to class throughout Lent.
- OR
- Checks payable to **Hogar del Pobre** (we **cannot** accept checks made out to ASCA).
- **April 18** is the service project deadline.

By uniting our suffering with that of our savior, Jesus Christ, perhaps your children might have the opportunity to earn money doing chores this Lent, so that they can practice our meaningful Lenten tradition of almsgiving. This is a wonderful opportunity to live the gospel and follow the advice of Pope Francis to build bridges, not walls. Many thanks in advance for your child's participation in this worthwhile project! God bless you!

"He ensures that orphans and widows receive justice. He shows love to the foreigners living among you and gives them food and clothing." - Deuteronomy 10:18

