



## Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee

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Dear Friends in Christ,

Lent is a time of repentance and of uniting ourselves to Christ during his 40 days in the desert. During this sacred season, CRS Rice Bowl—Catholic Relief Services' Lenten faith-in-action program—invites us to reflect on how caring for our neighbor is caring for Christ. *For I was hungry and you gave me food, thirsty and you gave me drink* (Matthew 25:35).

Catholic Relief Services-CRS Rice Bowl provides resources to bring Lenten spirituality to life for families, parishes and school communities. Today CRS Rice Bowl continues to connect Catholics in our diocese with our brothers and sisters in need around the world, making sure they have the right nutritious food to thrive.

I encourage all of the families, parishes and schools in our diocese to use CRS Rice Bowl for Lent 2021 to enrich their Lenten journey of prayer, fasting and alms giving. Together, we can respond to Christ's call to help those in need and ensure everyone reaches his or her God-given human potential.

Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend William A. Wack, CSC  
Bishop of Pensacola-Tallahassee