

DARFUR: Remember and Respond

Suggestions for Parish Involvement

"You shall not stand by idly when your neighbor's life is at stake." -Leviticus 19:16

Together let us: Pray, Fast, Give, Act and Advocate for Justice for the People of Darfur, Sudan. As a Parish Community:

❖ **Organize "A Sunday of Conscience for the People of Sudan"**

Put together a photo exhibit and post flyers (download photos at: <http://sudan.crs.org/>). Ask your parish's liturgy planning committee to include appropriate Prayers of the Faithful. Some examples include:

- *For the people of Darfur, Sudan, that their long suffering with violence, hunger, and lack of shelter be ended and that security and relief be immediately restored to them, we pray to the Lord...*
- *That each of us work for peace in our relationships with others, especially with members of our family, with our neighbors, and with peoples of the world, we pray to the Lord...*
- *That the Lord will us to recognize His image in all people, let us pray to the Lord...*

❖ **Advocate for Darfur**

Send an email to your senators and representative in Congress through Catholic Relief Services' Legislative Action Center (<http://actioncenter.crs.org/>). Organize a group of parishioners and youth to visit your legislators' home offices during congressional recesses. For information and locations contact Katch Reynolds, at Catholic Charities Parish Social Ministry at 302-655-9624 or email kreynolds@ccwilm.org.

❖ **Hold a Candle Light Vigil**

For a vigil script, see: http://campus.crs.org/site/PageServer?pagename=campus_sudan.

❖ **Pray for Peace at Home and as a Community**

Include a 'Prayer for Peace in Darfur' in your parish bulletin for families to use at home. Hold a prayer vigil at your parish or parish school (see: <http://sudan.crs.org/resources.htm>).

❖ **Stay informed**

Continue to develop your conscience by regularly visiting Catholic Relief Services' website for background information and learn what CRS is doing on the ground in Sudan.

For more information, contact Andy Zampini, Catholic Charities, Parish Social Ministry at 302-655-9624 or email azampini@ccwilm.org.



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