

DIOCESAN MISSION COOPERATIVE PLAN

The Holy Father has called mission work "the greatest and holiest duty of the Church." It is the intent of this policy to further this work, and to continue to raise the consciousness of all of our people to the importance of the missions. This obviously impacts our own spiritual lives.

- 1. The policy of the diocese will be that each parish will have a missionary come to preach at least once every three years.
- 2. To assist in this, the diocesan Propagation of Faith office, in collaboration with the bishop, will select and assign the mission societies to the individual parishes. It will be the responsibility of the pastors and the missionary societies to negotiate the arrangements for visitation of the parishes.
- 3. It is diocesan policy that the names and addresses of donors and/or parishioners not be given to the missionaries.
- 4. Monies collected in a given parish are to be sent to the diocesan Propagation of Faith office. The office in turn will send a check to the mission society.
- 5. If possible, a speaker should be invited to visit the local school and/or religious education classes and help the children become more aware of the missions of the Church.