

Next week, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. In Peru, the 14 villages of Chazuta, in Moyobamba, are all located away from the city center, with the most remote only accessible by boat. The faithful in these communities do not have access to catechetical formation, and members often feel separated from the life of the universal Church. Through a grant from the Collection for the Church in Latin America, the religious congregation of the Missionaries of Jesus was able to provide faith formation, spiritual retreats, and workshops to nearly 250 people. Upon completion, participants were better equipped to help others deepen their faith and answer questions. The program also renewed their sense of commitment to their parishes and created stronger bonds within their own families. Through this program, members of the Chazuta villages felt the love and support of the universal Church. Please support programs like these and give generously in next week's collection. For more information, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

THANK YOU FROM THE NET RETREAT:

Dear Carol & St. Anthony's Community,
 We can't thank you enough for all of the things that you have done for us the past two days. All of the food was absolutely AMAZING, my taste buds will definitely be sad to leave. We have felt so well taken care of and welcomed. We also really enjoyed the many funny conversations with Monica and the other adults. We will be praying for you. Take care and God bless.

—NET team 8

Prayer to End Abortion

Lord God, I thank you today for the gift of my life, and for the lives of all my brothers and sisters. I know there is nothing that destroys more life than abortion, yet I rejoice that you have conquered death by the Resurrection of Your Son. I am ready to do my part in ending abortion. Today I commit myself never to be silent, never to be passive, never to be forgetful of the unborn. I commit myself to be active in the pro-life movement, and never to stop defending life until all my brothers and sisters are protected, and our nation once again becomes a nation with liberty and justice not just for some, but for all, through Christ our Lord.



"At The Cross"
 by Chris Tomlin

There's a place where mercy reigns and never dies
 There's a place where streams of grace flow deep and wide
 Where all the love I've ever found
 Comes like a flood
 Comes flowing down

[Chorus:]

At the cross
 At the cross
 I surrender my life
 I'm in awe of You
 I'm in awe of You
 Where Your love ran red
 and my sin washed white
 I owe all to You
 I owe all to You Jesus

There's a place where sin and shame are powerless
 Where my heart has peace with God and forgiveness
 Where all the love I've ever found
 Comes like a flood
 Comes flowing down

[Chorus]

Here my hope is found
 Here on holy ground
 Here I bow down
 Here I bow down
 Here arms open wide
 Here You save my life
 Here I bow down
 Here I bow down

[Chorus]

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: January 17 That we open our hearts and allow the Holy Spirit to work God's plan through each of us. "To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." (1 Corinthians 12:7) St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to



God's plan; helping to do His work here on earth? Remember that if you don't do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it.

If you find yourself in a tempting situation, realize that it isn't God setting you up to fail. Live for Jesus in that situation, take pride in your faith and in calling yourself a Catholic Christian, kick the devil in the rear, and tell him that he can't win because you stand with Christ.

The Christian Lion: Two guys are walking through a game park & they come across a lion that has not eaten for days. The lion starts chasing the two men. They run as fast as they can and the one guy starts getting tired and decides to say a prayer, "Please turn this lion into a Christian, Lord." He looks to see if the lion is still chasing and he sees the lion on its knees. Happy to see his prayer answered, he turns around and heads towards the lion. As he comes closer to the lion, he hears the it saying a prayer: "Thank you Lord for the food I am about to receive."



**DANBURY
KNIGHTS
OF
COLUMBUS
FREE THROW
CONTEST FOR
BOYS
AND GIRLS
AGES
9 TO 14
YEARS OLD!**

All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2016 Danbury Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. The local competition will be held January 27, 2015 at 5:30 at SAC.

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually, with winners progressing through local, district, and state competitions. International champions are announced by the K of C international headquarters based on scores from the state-level competitions. All boys and girls 9 to 14 years old are eligible to participate and will compete in their respective age divisions. Last year more than 120,000 sharpshooters participated in over 3,600 local competitions.

All contestants on the local level are recognized for their participation in the event. Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent. For entry forms or additional information contact: Robert Fief at 922-1629.

The Knights of Columbus is an international Catholic family fraternal service organization with over 1.8 million members in 15,000 local councils. Last year, Knights donated over 70 million volunteer hours and \$167.5 million to charitable and benevolent causes, sponsoring projects to benefit their church, councils, communities, culture of life, families and youth.