

# Christ Needs You...

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Bishop's Office

My dear friends:

With this letter, I am happy to proclaim the weekend of May 16-17th as Our nineteenth Diocesan Missions Sunday. This annual observance continues to be our way of supporting and encouraging our missionaries and mission projects in Bolivia, Brazil, Chile and our sister diocese, Tabasco.

One of the proudest chapters of the history of the diocese has been written by men and women both religious and lay who have been called to a missionary vocation in those areas.

Our vocation is to belong to Jesus with the conviction that nothing and nobody can separate us from the love of Christ. Jesus has offered his lifelong, faithful, personal friendship in tenderness and love to each one of us. So now by our presence we must put that love into action. Our love in action is our layers and support of our own diocesan missionary efforts on next weekend.

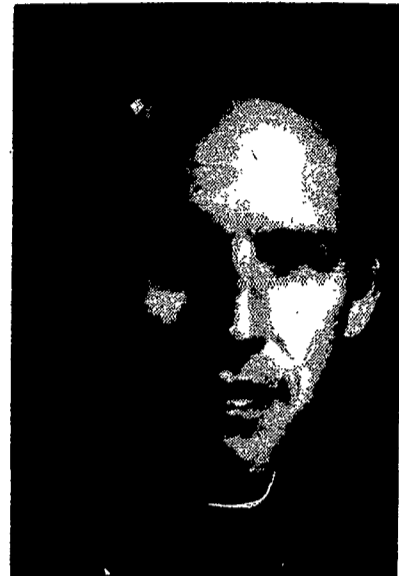
There is so much love in all of us, but we are often too shy to express our love and we keep it bottled up inside ourselves.

We must always be a channel of love. We must not be afraid to reach out and help our brothers and sisters. Each Christian is His witness. Let His voice proclaim the Gospel through us as we bring the good news of salvation to the ends of the earth.

"Jesus is 'the missionary of the Father;' each Christian is His witness. Let His voice proclaim the Gospel through us as we bring the good news of salvation to the ends of the earth." (Bishops' pastoral letter on World Mission)

May each one of you be a witness to the Gospel as we hear the words "Christ needs you to help".  
Your brother in Christ,  
*Matthew H. Clark*  
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Bishop of Rochester

*His Love Endures Forever*



With joy and love in your heart for Christ and His Church, we invite you to be the light of God's kindness to the poor, to children, to all who suffer and are lonely. Give them your heart overflowing with love. As our diocesan missionaries work in Bolivia, Brazil, Chile and Mexico, may they receive this weekend your support through prayer and a financial gift.

"Christ Needs You To Help" — May you respond generously!

*Father Robert Swadler*

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