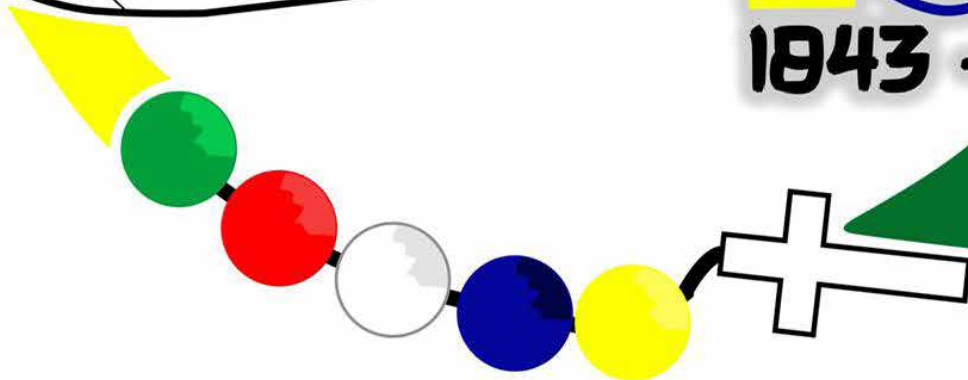


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Sr Roberta Tremarelli  
Segretario Generale  
Pontificia Opera della Santa Infanzia



 **ANGOLA**





O sol é a luz de Cristo que brilha  
para todos.  
A sombra é o Espiritu Santo, guia  
dos missionários.  
As crianças somos nós os  
membros missionários da I.A.M.  
A Bíblia é a palavra de Deus.  
Nos somos enviados a anunciar  
a boa nova às outras crianças e  
adolescentes.  
La oração é força dos  
missionários.  
Santa Teresinha nossa padroeira  
nossa mãe, nossa guia.  
A árvore devemos a meio  
ambiente e cuidá-lo.







**Filomena de Adélio João Brandão**

*Angola*



# AUSTRALIA





**Bubbles of Hope, teach and charity that illustrate the miracle work to inspire and help children by Pope Francis.**





**Peter Romic**

*10 anni*

*Galilee Regional Catholic Primary School*

*Melbourne - Australia*



 **BOSNIA e ERZEGOVINA**





**Questo lavoro descrive i bambini  
che sono ispirati dalle parole del  
Papa e vanno nel mondo, nei  
sette continenti, a diffondere  
la parola di Dio e aiutare i loro  
coetanei.**







**Lara Augustinović**

*7° classe elementare*

*Centro Cattolico scolastico "Peter Barbarić"*

*Travnik - Bosnia e Erzegovina*



 **BRASILE**





No meu desenho significa as crianças evangelizando outras crianças, não importando sua religião, a Igreja que frequenta, a cor da pele, influenciadas pelo Papa Francisco na missão de evangelizar a todos. Representei o Papa Francisco com a Igreja.





**Alicia Maria Pires da Costa**

*11 anni*

*Arcidiocesi di Teresina*

*Parrocchia Nossa Senhora de Nazaré / Comunidade Nossa Senhora Aparecida  
Brasile*



**Arco-íris: aliança da IAM com Deus**  
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**Iris Xavier Freitas de Miranda**

*5 anni*

*Parrocchia di Santa Cruz*

*São João da Boa Vista*

*Brasile*



O Espírito Santo sobre todo o mundo, abençoando todas as crianças independente de cor e raça, trazendo Paz aos continentes pela orientação e oração do Papa Francisco. De todas as crianças e adolescentes do mundo! Sempre amigos.







**Thiago Rangel Araújo Vasconcelos**

*14 anni*

*Parrocchia Santa Rosa de Lima - Guarujá-SP*

*Brasile*



 CAMERUN





A travers les Œuvres Pontificales (Eglises, Ecoles ...), les enfants se nourrissent de la parole de Dieu qui est l'amour pour son prochain et veulent la transmettre à leur entourage et particulièrement aux plus démunis pour leur apporter Foi, Espérance, Charité. Car, connaître l'amour de Dieu est la fondamentale pour recevoir le salut et aimer son prochain.





**Elondou Marceline**

*"Enfant, source de Foi, d'espoir et de Charité"*





# CANADA

(Toronto)





**To support one another as  
children to help the church to  
grow in solidarity.**







**Sarah Carroll**

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*Canada*



 **COLOMBIA**





**Los niños podemos evangelizar,  
somos promesa para un futuro  
de salvación con Diosito.**





**Salomé Martínez Medina**

*6 anni*

*Catedral San Lorenzo de Duitama - Boyacá*

*Diocesi di Duita Sogamoso*

*Colombia*



 **COSTA RICA**





Dibujé el Cáliz y la Hostia en ella está representados los cinco continentes que están en el corazón de Jesús y con niños de todo el mundo y raza para ayudar a niños por medio de niños que creó Carlo Augusto de Forbin Janson el puente hacia el Papa y siento que es servidora o auxiliar del Papa estoy haciendo un servicio para Dios y la virgen.







**María Paula Barrantes Zamora**

*10 anni*

*Parrocchia Patriarca San José*

*Diocesi di Alajuela*

*Costa Rica*



 CROAZIA





**Il Papa si prende cura di tutti i  
bambini del mondo.  
Pontificia significa che il  
Papa si prende cura di tutti,  
specialmente dei bambini.**





**Cvita Sušić**

*4 classe*

*Scuola elementare cattolica „Josip Pavličić”,*

*Fiume*

*Croazia*



 ECUADOR





Significa que la enseñanza del Papa Francisco hacia los niños y jóvenes es muy importante en nuestras vidas, en esta obra los niños y jóvenes misioneros aprenden con ayuda de los profesores misioneros para que después ellos sean los protagonistas de evangelizar a más niños y jóvenes del mundo.







**Jeremy Mujica**

*10 anni*

*Parrocchia San Juan Diego de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe*

*Arcidiocesi di Guayaquil*

*Ecuador*



 **FILIPPINE**





The Holy Father, our Pope is the head of the Catholic Church, as the forerunner of evangelization. He has inspired thousands of people to love one another in Christ and show our devotion to God. He has shown his devotion to God by serving and motivating God's people. The Holy Father has been recognized for his great works of charity. We are grateful to have him as our example. With his words, many are inspired to work together to share the word of God and to serve one another.

For my drawing, I drew the Pope. I made his clothing white to represent innocence, purity and glory. I drew a dove to symbolize peace, grace, purity and the Holy Spirit, and I drew leaves as a symbol of growth, rebirth and life. The main symbol, the cross as a symbol of Jesus' crucifixion, his passion and devotion to his people. I drew a heart as a sign of love, People and hands to represent unity and teamwork. And lastly, I drew torches to represent the light of God and the Holy Bible to show the spreading of God's word to others and the youth.





**Zianah Blaire B. Catubig**

*Grade 6 – St. Matthew*

*St. Raphael's Academy of Legazpi, Inc*

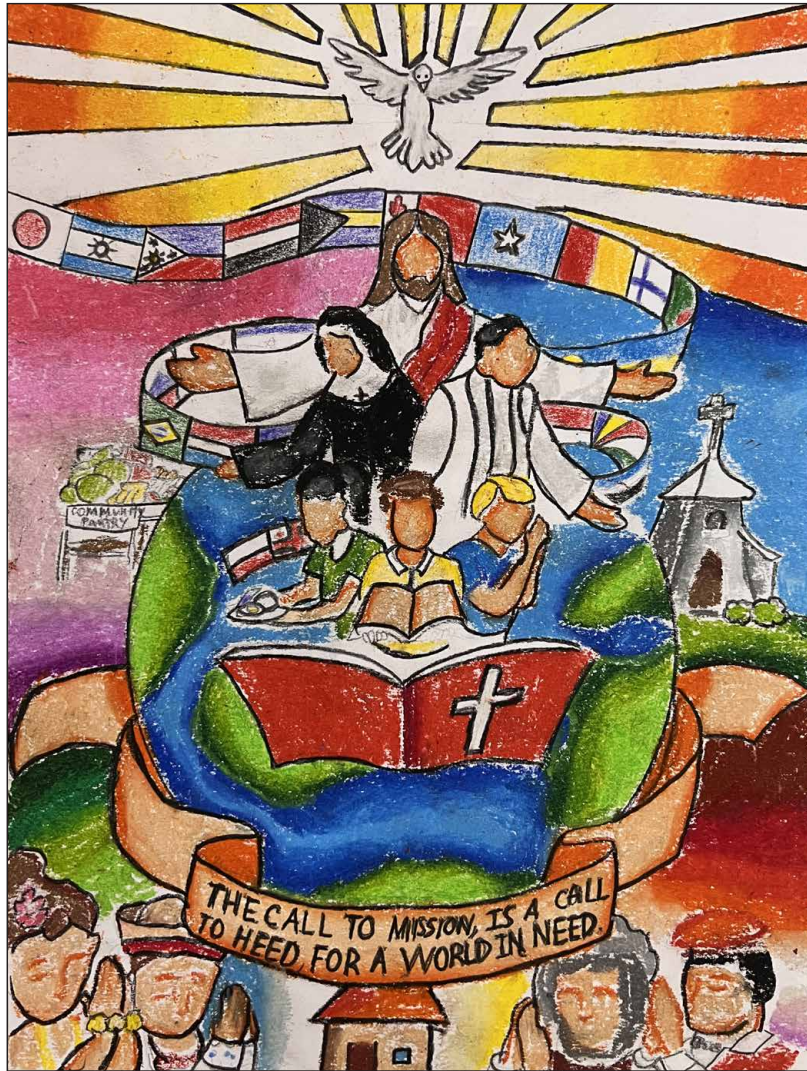
*Legazpi City*

*Filippine*



The drawing depicts different facets of spreading awareness, appreciation, and responding to the call to mission. The image of Jesus and the Holy Spirit reminds us that through our baptism, we are all called to participate in the threefold mission of Jesus. The Priest and Nun represent our brothers and sisters who have answered the call to mission and dedicated their whole lives to the service of God and the Church. The kids tell us that we can respond to God's call by extending the work of the priest and nuns through giving, spreading the word, and praying. The community pantry and the church remind us that as kids, through our actions, we can also inspire others to go to church and attend the eucharist and give to others by giving to community pantries. Lastly, the maps, globe, Flags, and people from other countries show that God's call to mission is for us to help and spread God's word to Catholics and all, no matter what.





**GABRIEL ANGELO V. MARANAN - "Abnegation"**

*Grade 6*

*Manresa School*

*BF Homes, Parañaque City*

*Filippine*



What the drawing conveys is how God, the Father, through his Son loves the humankind. Through the church – we are united in Christ, The Vicar of the Holy Father, who leads us to holiness.

The Cross of Christ is the symbolism of His great love for us.

The dove represents the Holy Spirit who sacrificed for us.

The hand of the Father also represents his guidance.

The Holy Bible serves as our compass as we go on with our daily lives- to illuminate our way whenever our days are filled with darkness.

The candle represents hope.

Lastly, the happy and faithful children of God who are praying the rosary, serve as our bridge to get closer to Jesus. The whole picture depicts how it is our mission as Catholics to proclaim the Good News and share it with everyone and how Jesus shows His great love for us through the Eucharist.







**Francess Natalie V. Serio**

*11 anni*

*Grade 6- St. Barachiel the Archangel - Liceo De Calauan*

*Parrocchia San Isidoro - Calauan, Laguna*

*Filippine*



 **KENYA**

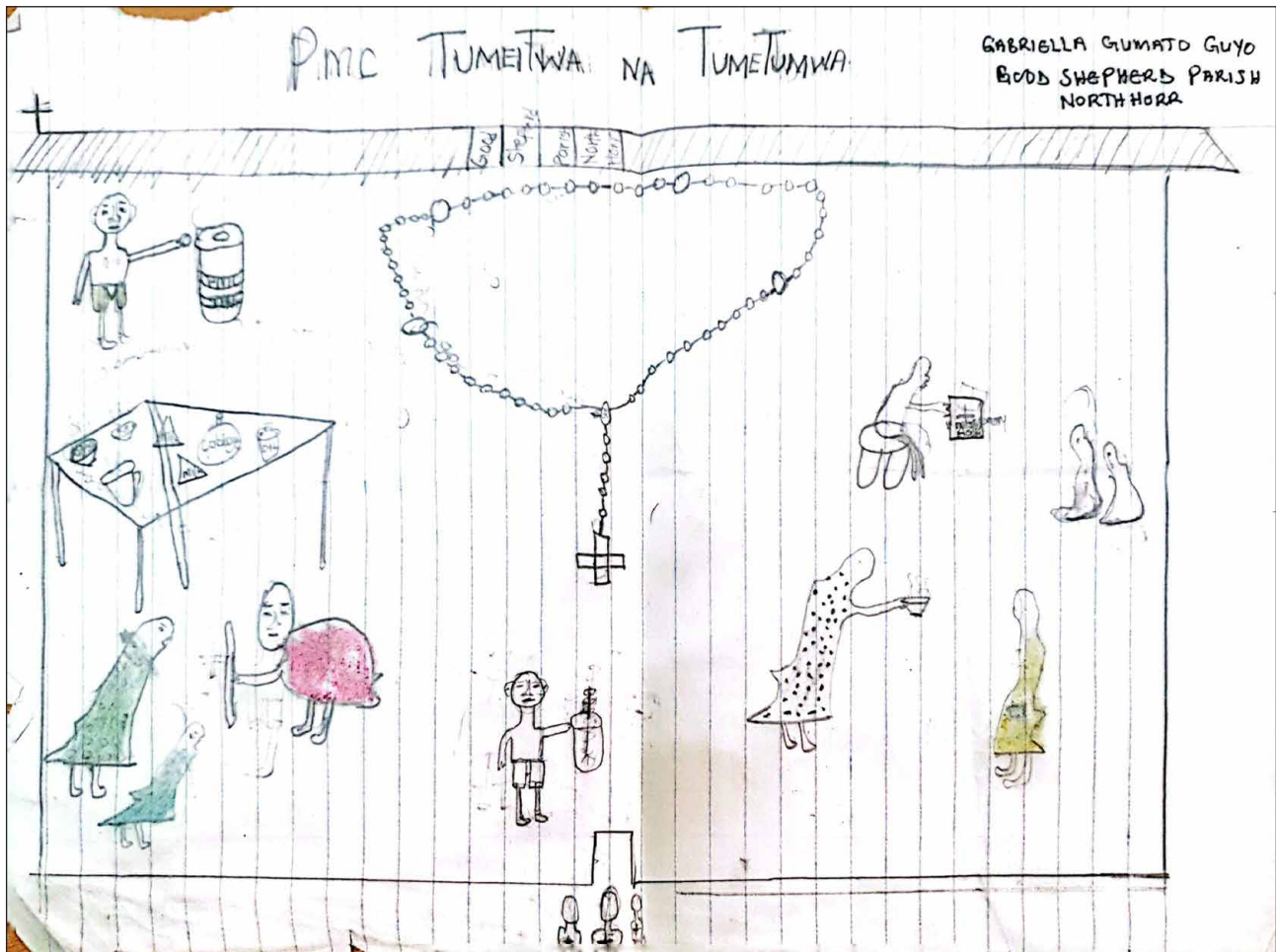




The picture depicts the power of the rosary in the church making all people to participate as catechists, teachers even the old.

My name is Gabriela Gumato Guyo I am 15 years old. I study in Helmer memorial primary school children and my mum (my dad died on 13/9/2021) and I am 3rd born. I am a Catholic and a PMS member in Good Shepherd North Horr parish. In our church we as PMC children we visit the needy, cleaning the church compound, praying together, guiding dance and reading in the church, learning lessons on weekends, visiting other out stations. I am happy to be a PMC member. When I grow up I want to be a sister so that I can help and teach other children.





**Gabriella Gumato Guyo**

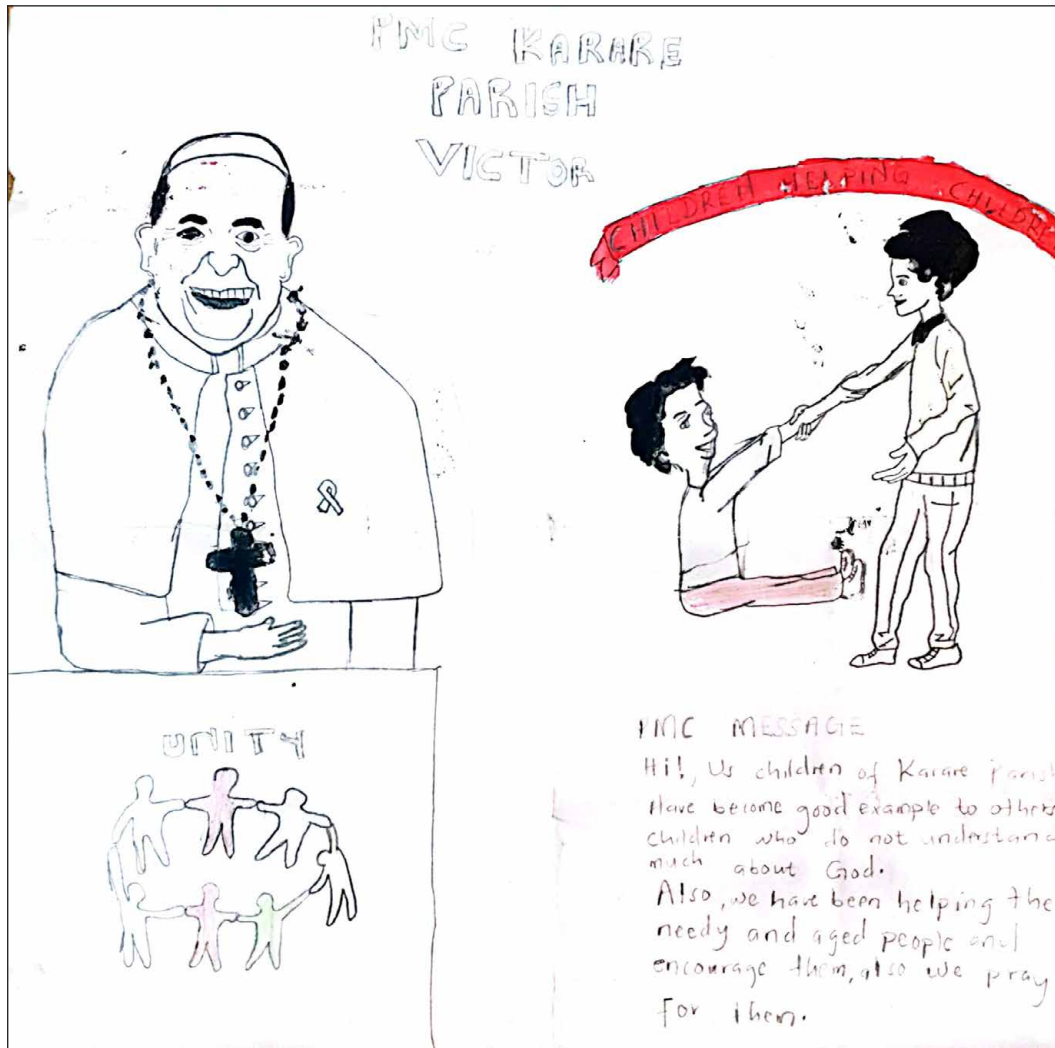
*Good Shepherd Parish  
North Horr  
Kenya*



Hi! Us children of Karare Parish have become good example to other children who do not understand much about God. Also we have been helping the needy and aged people and encourage them, also we pray for them.

I wish to be a pilot to be ferrying people and missionaries across the world to Evangelize.





**Victor Sobinay Lechipan**

*Karare Parish  
Diocesi di Marsabit  
Kenya*





 MESSICO





Mi nombre es Andrea Santos Rivero, tengo 13 años y antes de que entrara al IAM no me interesaba ir a misa, confesarme, etc. yo decía que era muy aburrido.

Hasta que un día entre al IAM y poco poco he ido entendiendo lo especial e importante que es ayudar a los demás a si sea con una moneda o alimento es muy importante me han enseñado a valorar lo que tengo, asi sea un cicle, un peso o simplemente un vaso de agua, ya que muchas desearían tener algo.

En pocas palabras, he aprendido muchas cosas.





**Andrea Santos Rivero**

*13 anni  
Messico*



Participar en la IAM me hace muy feliz y me hace sentir emocionado, también me hace sentir como en casa, y también hace que me siento orgulloso de mi. Hace que reflexione sobre mis acciones, para poder corregirlas.





**Luis Alberto**

*Messico*



 **MONTENEGRO**





Pontificia vuol dire che regna  
„fede, amore, speranza.“







**Viktor Martsijepović**

*Montenegro*



 **NIGERIA**





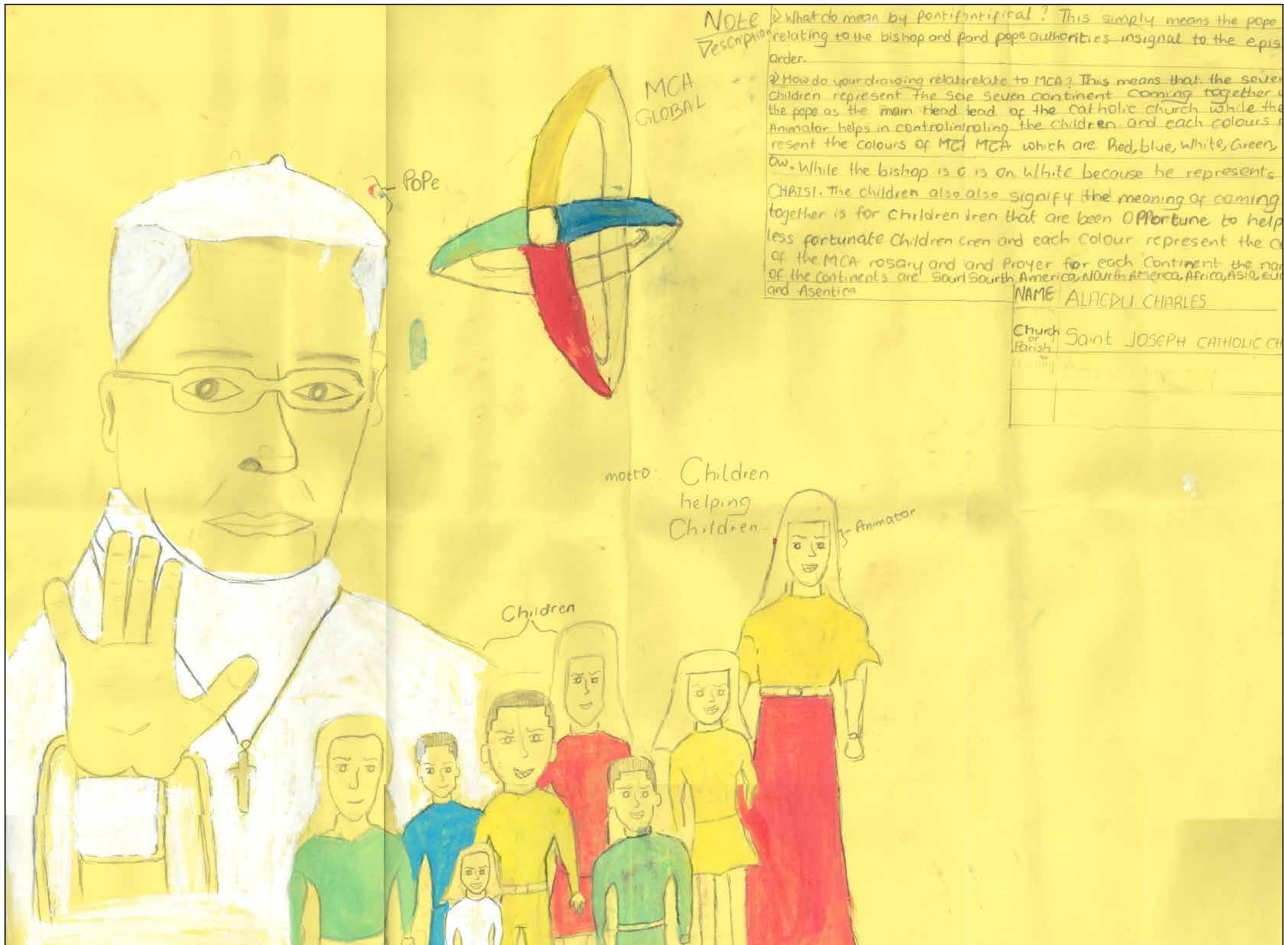
**What does Pontifical mean?**

**This simply means the Pope relating to the Bishop and pope authorities insigne to the episcopal order.**

**How does your drawing relate to MCA?**

**This means that the seven children represent the seven continents coming together with the Pope as the main head of the Catholic Church while the animator helps in controlling the children and each colour represents the colours of MCA, which are red, blue, white, green, yellow. While the Bishop is on white because he represents Christ. The children also signify the meaning of coming together is for children that are been opportune to help less fortunate children and each colour represents the colour of the MCA Rosary and prayer for each continent. The name of the continents are South America, North America, Africa, Asia, Europe and Asentica.**





**Charles Alaedu**

*Saint Joseph Catholic Church  
Arcidiocesi di Lagos*



 PARAGUAY





Es Pontificia porque el Papa bendice y acompaña a ésta Obra Misionera, donde los niños de todos los 5 continentes a través de la oración y la renuncia ayudan a otros niños más necesitados, enseñando a amar a Dios, a su Madre y al próximo y también a amar a la naturaleza, el planeta donde vivimos. “El Papa representante de Dios, que cuida de todo el mundo.”







**Sol Britez**

*11 anni*

*Parrocchia Santísima Cruz*

*Diocesi di San Lorenzo*

*Capiayá - Ecuador*



 ROMANIA





Il cuore grande è il cuore di Gesù, e gli altri cuori appartengono a determinate categorie di persone, che a loro volta sono incluse nel cuore amoroso di Gesù.

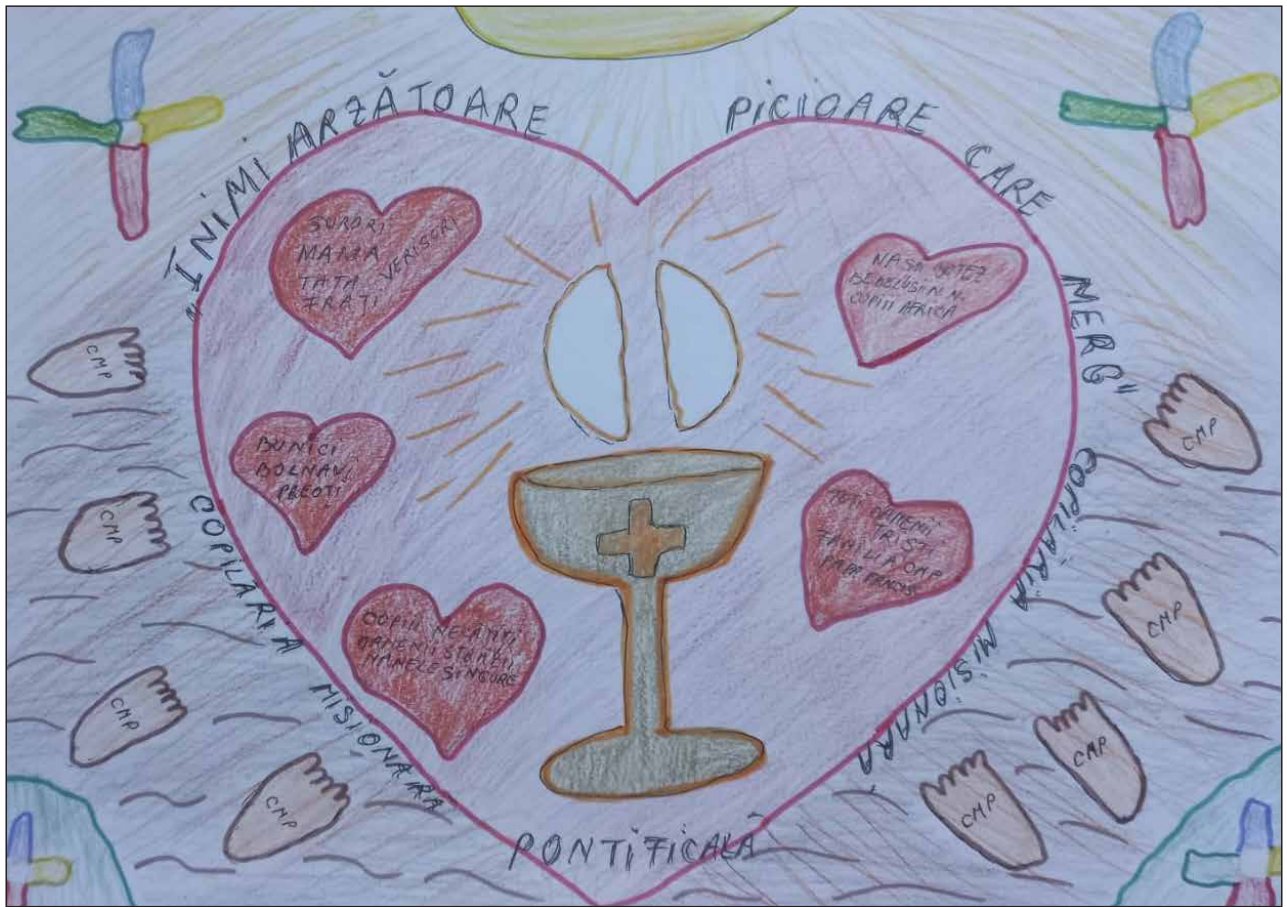
Tutte le persone sulla terra, quelle tristi, ammalate, scoraggiate, quelle che si sentono sole, i senz'altro... proprio tutte le persone hanno bisogno di sapere che Gesù le ama molto ed è sempre al loro fianco. Non tutti i giorni sono pieni di sole, ma se ci nutriamo del pane vivo della Santa Eucaristia, il nostro cuore si trasformerà in un cuore ardente e pieno d'amore.

Quei piedini sono i nostri, dei bambini missionari, che andiamo a testimoniare il Vangelo di Cristo a tutti coloro che non lo conoscono ed a portare avanti la missione alla quale ci siamo uniti. In questa missione abbiamo promesso davanti a Gesù che avremmo contribuito con preghiere, offerte, le nostre sofferenze e la nostra stessa testimonianza di vita affinché tutti i bambini lo conoscessero e lo amassero come lui ha amato noi.

La prova che siamo bambini missionari sono proprio le croci missionarie che portiamo al collo, segno che ogni persona che incontriamo, di qualsiasi continente, deve essere nel nostro cuore di bambini missionari. Quindi, continuiamo la nostra missione con cuori ardenti e piedi che camminano per far ardere altri cuori con la Parola di Dio verso la via della pace e della salvezza.

Maria, regina delle missioni, prega per noi!





**Veronica Catea**

10 anni  
Romania



# SPAGNA





Los niños rodean el mundo y están sonriendo porque tienen a Jesús con un corazón y con amor a su lado. Los niños están unidos por las líneas azules que significa que son parte de la familia de Infancia Misionera. Además, todos tienen en la mano ofrendas para que llegue a todo el mundo, siendo así una obra universal de la Iglesia.







Lucía Prieto (León)

*Spagna*



Se trata de un collage de corazones que representan el amor. En el centro de la imagen está el mundo y en torno a él habitan diferentes personas. Hay de diferentes razas y con sus vestidos representativos. También está el Papa, como responsable de esta obra pontificia. Además, en este dibujo, la artista se ha dibujado a ella misma para representar que es una niña de la Infancia Misionera.



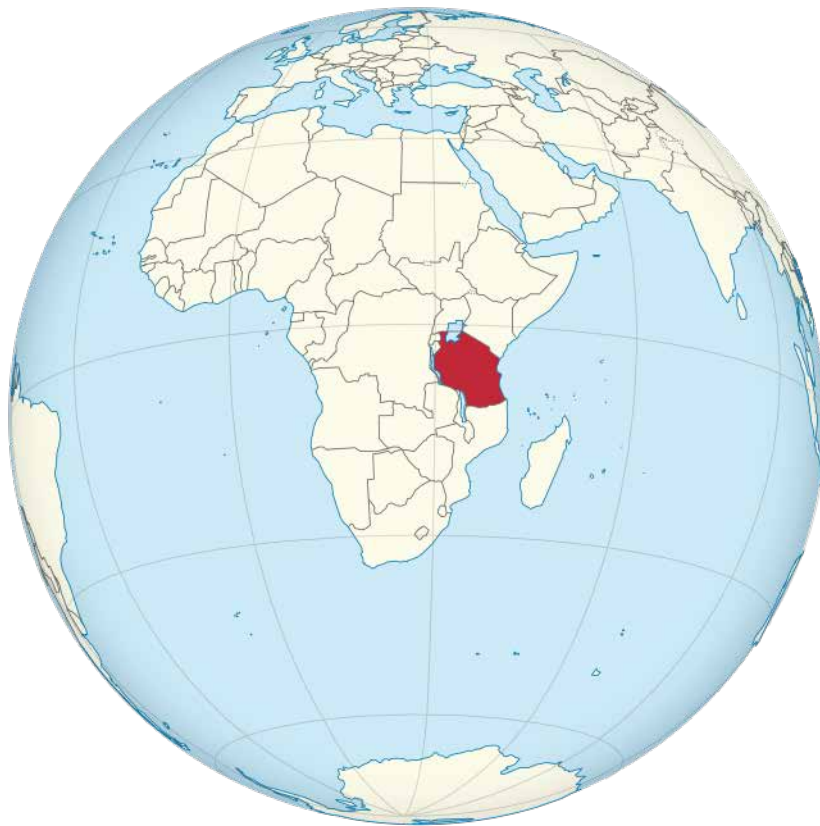


Naiara Moreno (Palencia)

*Spagna*



 TANZANIA





*Photo of Msgr. Charles De Forbin Janson*

He is the founder of Holy Childhood Association. He founded this association on May 19 1843, that's why this year, on the same date mentioned, it reaches 180 years since its establishment. The goal of establishing this association was to teach us children to have the spirit to help our fellow children who live difficult lives at the same time as spreading faith to our fellow children who still do not know God.

*A photo of the Holy Father Pius XI*

This is the Holy Father declared the holy childhood association "Pontifical" in 1922, It was in this year; he was able to make it as his tool to spread missionary work after seeing its responsibilities. That's why last year 2022, we celebrated the 100th anniversary.

*Vatican Logo*

This logo indicates that the Pontifical Mission Society of holy childhood is under the authority of the Holy Father because it is one of his instruments that he uses in evangelization work.

*A candle*

The burning candle is a symbol of missionary light that we children should not put out but send to our fellow children who do not yet know God, so that they also know him.

*Cross*

The cross is a symbol of God's love for us children, that's why in the Holy Scriptures he said; "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven (Mt 19:13-15).

*The Bible*

The Bible is the word of God that guides us children in knowing God, that's why all children have been told to have a Bible so that we can read it every day.

*A Pigeon*

This bird is a Holy Spirit that, with its power, helps us children to announce God to all nations.

*Two people standing while others are sitting*

Two people are the animators of holy childhood who teach us children how to pray, love God and neighbor, help the needy, who take us to pilgrimages, congresses and other missionary activities.

*The way/road where the children pass towards the building*

This signifies a journey of faith. This is the opportunity he gives us little children by telling adults to let little children come to him, so that we can know him and live with him.

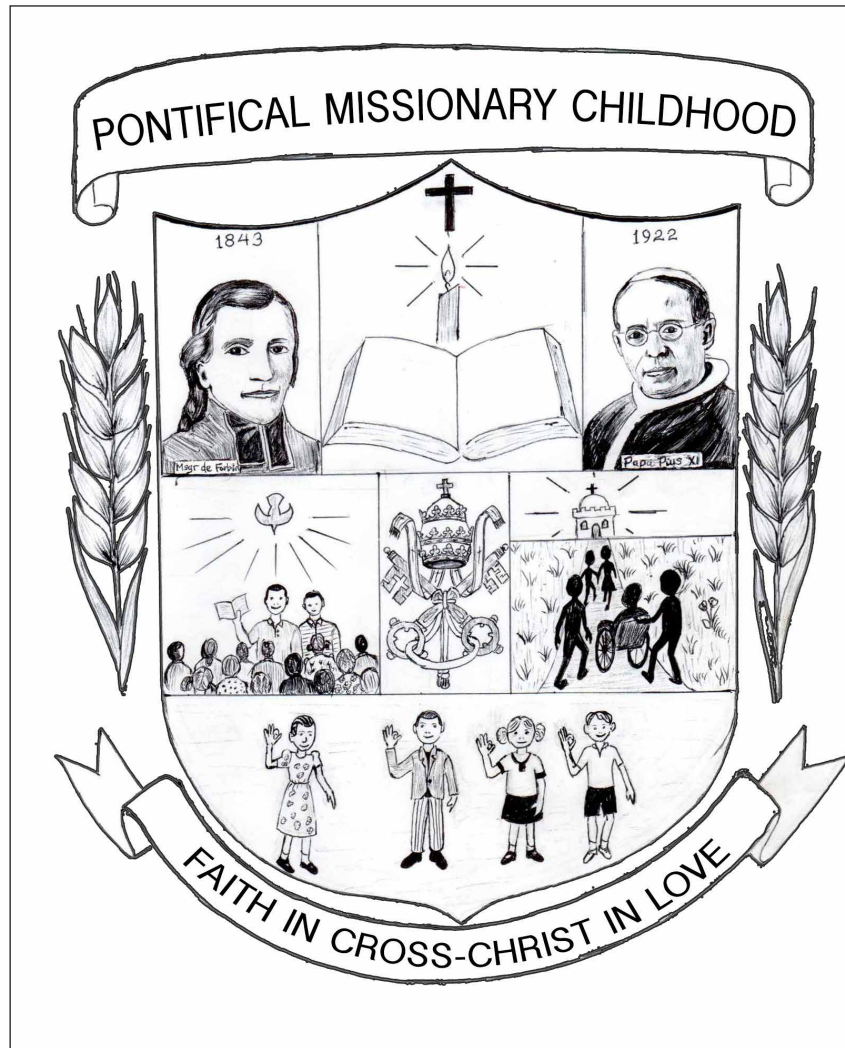
*Children walking on the road while one of them is placed in a wheel chair*

This is an indication that we children should help the disabled so that we can all walk in the journey of faith.

*A house with a cross*

This is the church. The church is the house of God, it is the heaven or the New Jerusalem where we, as missionary children, if we live as we are taught to live, we will be able to get there after this life on earth.





*Four children standing and pointing three fingers*

This is a sign of greeting that we children of holy childhood use when one says; “Faith in Cross- Christ in Love” meaning that, we children believe that it is through suffering on the cross that Christ showed his love to us.

*Two wheat plants*

This is the plant that produces the wheat seed that makes the bread that is the body of Christ. This bread is a symbol of God’s love for man by giving himself up on the cross and dying for us. Therefore, we children are taught to sacrifice ourselves for others in providing them with their basic needs.





 THAILANDIA





Holy Childhood as the Pontifical which is supporting by the Holy Father, to fostering the children in all countries around the world encourages them to help one another and those who are poor, needed and face the difficulty in their life by praying and sharing a little things we have.

As for me by the guiding of the Holy Spirit, the teaching of Jesus Christ which I can read from the Bible, through the Holy Communion and prayer would be the power that push me to do good thing for the other as ours motto “Children helping children”.





**Pattraphorn Tueipromthong**

*Wantamaria School  
Diocesi di Ratchaburi*



 **TIMOR EST**





**We are OPIAM from Maliana  
Diocese always with you Holy  
Father.**





**Auxiliadora Ofelia A.C. Lopes**

*Diocesi di Maliana  
Timor Est*









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