Saint Katherine Day School (SKDS) is a special education school in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia that serves students aged 4 to 21 years old, with an I.Q. below 70. The main campus, located in Wynnewood, offers a program for students with multiple impairments, as well as a life skills program, which includes functional academics. During Catholic Schools Week, students at SKDS participated in a Mission Presentation, where they learned about the World Mission Rosary, and Catholic schools in Mission lands. It is a blessing to meet and speak with these students, and to see and appreciate the resources offered to them at this school.

This is not always the case in the Missions, where acceptance is not always guaranteed and resources are limited. Fortunately, MCA helps Missionaries who take care of children with disabilities in the Missions who need our help! The Missionaries of the Institute of the Incarnate Word minister to disabled in the many Mission countries. Present in 40 countries, their most challenging Missions are in Argentina, Bolivia, Ecuador, Guyana, Iraq, Palestine (Gaza), Papua New Guinea, Peru, Syria, Tajikistan, Tanzania, and Ukraine. Incarnate Word Missionaries also take care of the elderly and the sick, provide homes for the poor and for abandoned children, manage schools and educational institutions in rural areas in developing countries and promote pastoral formation of Missionaries.

MCA sacrifices can be used for the day-to-day support for Missionaries. They can help supply material goods, finish projects and to meet the basic needs in rural areas where Missionaries work. Children and elderly, sick and the poor, abandoned and disabled—ALL will benefit from YOUR SACRIFICES and FUNDS RAISED. Your sacrifices help meet basic needs and bring the Word of Jesus to children where the Catholic faith may not exist at all.

Will you sacrifice during Lent to help children with disabilities in Mission Lands?
Missionary children around the world make sacrifices, fast and observe the Stations of the Cross just like we do!

This is Lent in Mission Lands—reflect on this through Easter.