

Dear CRS partner,

Thank you for saying “yes” to the call of missionary discipleship—the Gospel call to encounter Christ in our global family and to uphold a more just world that reflects the kingdom of God. Together we are building a movement to end global poverty so that all people can reach their God-given potential and thrive.

At CRS, we believe there is no limit to what we can achieve with a shared vision and commitment. The mobilization calendar provides you with tools to act together with your community around key dates and create lasting change for our global family. Use this calendar to engage with our campaigns on the world’s most challenging issues.

Visit [crs.org/act](https://crs.org/act) for advocacy, fundraising and prayer resources to help you take action with your community.

# Summer 2022

June-August

## Pray

Almighty God, millions of our sisters and brothers are on the move around the world, not by choice, but by desperation. We pray that all who are displaced may find safe and loving communities and the opportunity to thrive. Amen

Key Dates	Actions
<b>World Refugee Day</b> Jun 20	<b>Promote Call Congress Day.</b> On June 21-22, invite your community to text <b>CALL CONGRESS</b> to <b>677-68</b> so they can access advocacy resources.
July	<b>Prepare to meet with members of Congress.</b> Share best practices for meeting with congressional members in-person or virtually with your community. Learn by visiting <a href="https://crs.org/act">crs.org/act</a> .
<b>Congressional Recess</b> August	<b>Get your community to meet with members of Congress.</b> With congressional members being home, now is a great time to invite them to your community event or schedule a meeting with them. Reach out to your CRS staff member to prepare to meet or engage with your congressional office in other ways.



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Holy Father, do not let us be indifferent to what is happening around us. Send your Holy Spirit to water our arid hearts with hope. Stoke in us the flame of fraternity. Make us set the world on fire with acts of justice in favor of those who suffer most. Transform our attitudes and make our minds fertile to new ways of living. Enlighten us to propose, support and defend projects and laws that protect the environment. Take our hands to till ways of solidarity, and make our works and words bear fruit. Amen

Key Dates	Actions
<p><b>World Day of Migrants and Refugees</b> Sep 25</p>	<p><b>Promote <i>Email Congress Day</i>.</b> Hunger threatens the lives of people who are forcibly displaced from their homes. On Sept. 25, invite your community to advocate for migrants and refugees by emailing their members of Congress. Ask them to text <b>HUNGER</b> to <b>677-68</b>.</p>
<p><b>CRS' Campaign on Climate Change Launch</b> Oct 4</p>	<p><b>Build the movement!</b> On Oct. 4, in celebration of CRS' new campaign on climate change:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invite your networks to join the campaign and get involved by texting <b>ACT</b> to <b>677-68</b> to pledge to help communities most vulnerable to climate change become more resilient to its impact.</li> <li>• Follow CRS on social media to share, retweet and promote the new campaign to your networks.</li> <li>• Encourage your network to visit <a href="https://crs.org/act">crs.org/act</a> for opportunities to donate and advocate.</li> </ul> <p>This is your moment and your movement to build a world that benefits all people and upholds human dignity—<b>our planet and global family depend on it.</b></p>

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<p><b>Week of Action</b> <i>Oct 15-21</i></p> <p><b>World Food Day</b> <i>Oct 16</i></p>	<p><b>Act today for a better tomorrow.</b></p> <p>Join CRS, in partnership with Caritas Internationalis, all week long as together we answer the call to care for our common home. Follow CRS on social media and visit <a href="https://crs.org/act">crs.org/act</a> to take action through prayer, giving and advocacy. But why stop there? Invite your networks to join a movement dedicated to ending global poverty!</p> <p>We have one planet, one family. And when one of us suffers, we all suffer. One of the secondary impacts of climate change is the rise in hunger. Support our global family in need by encouraging your community to fundraise on World Food Day. Start your page at <a href="https://crs.org/act/fundraise">crs.org/act/fundraise</a>.</p>
<p><b>Thanksgiving</b> <i>Nov 24</i></p> <p><b>Start of Advent</b> <i>Nov 27</i></p>	<p><b>Host fall fundraisers and build community.</b></p> <p>By fundraising as a community, you can grow in faith and make a real difference in the lives of your sisters and brothers in need. Use the CRS community giving platforms and resources to launch your fundraiser: <a href="https://crs.org/act/fundraise">crs.org/act/fundraise</a>.</p>



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# Winter 2022

December-February

## Pray

Oh, Divine Lord, you taught us that those who work for peace are called the children of God. Help us to persist in establishing justice and truth as firm and lasting foundations of peace. Amen



Key Dates	Actions
<p><b>Advent</b> <i>December</i></p>	<p><b>Live in global solidarity with the CRS Advent Giving Tree.</b> Invite your community to participate in the Advent Giving Tree to meditate on the birth of Jesus into poverty and on how this reflects the reality of many families today. Visit the Table of Thanks page on <a href="https://crs.org/act/fundraise">crs.org/act/fundraise</a> to register your fundraiser and download tools to engage your community this Advent.</p>
<p><i>January-February</i></p>	<p><b>Meet the new members of Congress.</b> At the beginning of the year, a new Congress is sworn in. Encourage your community to connect with their new and returning members of Congress in January and February to raise awareness of the impacts of climate change and hunger. Visit the Action Center on <a href="https://crs.org/act">crs.org/act</a> to access and share the Find Your Members of Congress tool, tips for meetings and more.</p>
<p><b>Ash Wednesday</b> <i>Feb 22</i></p>	<p><b>Bring Lent to Life.</b> Use the CRS Rice Bowl resources to bring Lenten spirituality to life for families, parishes and school communities, while continuing to connect with Catholics across the U.S. and our global family. Pass out Rice Bowls and share the Lenten devotions and prayers, lesson plans, stories and more with your community. Get started at <a href="https://crsricebowl.org">crsricebowl.org</a>.</p>

### Reflect

**“ God did not want the resources of our planet to benefit only a few. ... We have to learn to share in order to grow together, leaving no one behind.”**

*–Pope Francis, Message for the 106th World Day of Migrants and Refugees*

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<p><i>March</i></p>	<p><b>Guide your community through Lent.</b></p> <p>Set up your CRS Rice Bowl online giving page and invite your community to turn in their Rice Bowl alms virtually. Get started at <a href="https://crsricebowl.org">crsricebowl.org</a>.</p>
<p><b>Easter</b> <i>Apr 9</i></p>	<p><b>Celebrate the risen Christ!</b></p> <p>Encourage your community to submit their donations virtually on your online giving page. Or they can submit CRS Rice Bowl donations at <a href="https://crsricebowl.org/give">crsricebowl.org/give</a>.</p>
<p><b>Earth Day</b> <i>Apr 22</i></p>	<p><b>Lead with media.</b></p> <p>Celebrate Earth Day all month long and show collective commitment to helping people most at risk of the impacts of climate change by organizing a social media campaign or letter to the editor event for your community. Learn how at <a href="https://crs.org/act">crs.org/act</a> and use <b>#OnePlanetOneFamily</b> on your social media posts.</p>
<p><i>May</i></p>	

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## Reflect

“ It is an act of charity to assist someone suffering, but it is also an act of charity, even if we do not know that person, to work to change the social conditions that caused his or her suffering.”

*-Pope Francis, Fratelli Tutti*

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Thank you for making a difference for our sisters and brothers around the world! To log your community's actions or for more ways to engage with CRS, visit [crs.org/act](https://crs.org/act).