



# Our Lady of the Valley has a Mission Committee!



What is the OLV Mission Committee? It is a group of parishioners who wish to extend the worship community of Our Lady of the Valley into the world. It builds bridges and knocks down walls. It asks us to live out the social message of the Gospel.

The members of the OLV Mission Committee believe that the spirit of the Lord rests upon each of us; that we have been anointed to preach the good news to the poor, and we have been sent out to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor. (Luke 4:18)

Just as Jesus began his ministry with these words, we ask you to begin your ministry bringing Christ to others by joining the Mission Committee and supporting its efforts through the use of monthly collection envelopes and special collections. Our parish currently supports **two** sister parishes both financially, through contributions, and spiritually, through prayer and the sharing of the Eucharist: **San Martin de la Caridad** located outside Lima, Peru and **Blessed Sacrament/All Souls** in Springfield.

Because of your generosity, the parishioners of San Martin had the resources to build a new church and continue its expansion by adding a much needed soup kitchen.



Our brothers and sisters in Springfield have been provided fuel assistance during the winter months, Christmas toys for children of the parish and warm winter clothing for those in need. With your help and support, the members of the OLV Mission Committee look forward to continuing these traditions and expanding upon them.



We also support **Nuestro Ahora** - an organization that provides educational opportunities to orphans in El Salvador.

The OLV Mission Committee meets on the first Sunday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall meeting room and we encourage you to stop by and find out what we are about.

**Please join us in the Church Hall after Mass to learn more!**