



Campaign Update #11: Peru Mission Trip

At Light of Christ Catholic Schools, we believe in providing an education that includes academics, extra-curricular activities and spiritual growth. Some students choose to extend their education during the summer with life-changing experiences such as the Rome pilgrimage and the Peru pilgrimage.

In this newsletter, we'll share a bit of what happened on the Peru mission trip.

Peru Chaplain Reflection

As many of our recent graduates from the St. Mary's Central High School Class of 2016 prepare for college and other post-high school adventures, seventeen of them recently completed a 10-day mission trip to Lima, Peru. This mission trip is open each year to any member of the most recently graduated class from SMCHS. For the second year in a row, members of the SMCHS mission trip team primarily worked to build a large concrete soccer field for the young people who live in very poor conditions on the outskirts of Lima. Our students were deeply moved to serve the men and women who live in such dire conditions. Although their living conditions are vastly different compared to North Dakota, they discovered that the people we served are very similar to us in that they deeply desire to know that they are loved, both by God and others. Our students served as instruments of God's grace in demonstrating to the people of Peru that they are not forgotten, and that in fact, they are deeply loved. It was a powerful mission trip for our students.

-Submitted by Fr. Jared Johnson

Peru Student Reflection

Our missionary time in Peru was a time of many emotions, mainly joy in the lives that were transformed, both our own and the people of the shantytown of Trébol. We worked side by side with the neighbors of that area of Lima and by working together we have built friendships, as well as a soccer field that will last a lifetime. Our faith was deepened by this opportunity provided by a school that cares for the lives of their students. Together we were able to pray and work in order to better the world God created for us. St. Mary's Central High School offered this amazing experience for us and now, in the words of Blessed Mother Teresa and Father Johnson, we can find our own Calcutta with the lessons we have learned in the streets of Peru.

-Submitted by Regan Bradley (SMCHS Class of 2016)

When we see students coming home feeling rejuvenated and excited about their faith, we are encouraged and determined to make sure we can take in as many students as possible. The Keep the Promise Capital Campaign continues to progress nicely. Our commitment to welcome every student who wants to be a part of Light of Christ in our fold is non-negotiable. We

thank you for your prayers.









Join us for a
Celebration!

Saturday, September 10

555 Highway 1804 NE, Bismarck ND - Near the new campus for our future St. Mary's Central High School

Festivities begin at 4 pm

For more details about
the Celebration, visit
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