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YOUR MISSION GIFT 2017

The **MISSIO-NZ** Mission Collections of 2017 were sent to assist the **Dioceses in Papua New Guinea (PNG), the Diocese of Port Vila, Vanuatu, and the Archdiocese of Wellington.**

The projects in the above mentioned dioceses were all for education / formation and constructions. The **Institute for World Evangelization (ICPE)** in Wellington was

awarded **\$14,925** to help fund their Summer Program 2019. The Diocese of Alotau-Sidea received **\$5,308** to help in the Catechetical Programs of the Diocese. **\$76,119** was sent to assist in the education / adult formation programs of the Diocese of Port Vila, Vanuatu. **\$89,552** was given to three parishes in Papua New Guinea to help build their **churches**. **\$104,478** was given to four parishes in PNG to build their parish **house and office**.

MISSIO-NZ also assisted in realizing works on education of children in the Dioceses of Tarawa-Nauru (Kiribati), Alotau-Sidea, Gizo, Lae, Mount Hagen, Wabag and Wewak (in PNG) the amount of **\$69,625 for education, \$83,582 for construction of classrooms, and \$11,194 for healthy water facilities**. These monies were collected in

behalf of the **Missionary Children Association (Holy Childhood Association).**

MISSIO-NZ sent subsidies to help in the formation of future priests to seminaries in Machakos, Kenya (**\$37,372**), Ruteng, Indonesia (**\$58,030**), Sri Lanka (**\$74,906**) and to Papua New Guinea (**\$13,433**). All these gifts help 1,275 College Seminarians and 28 Theologians. ■

“Never think that you have nothing to offer, or that nobody needs you. Many people need you. Think about it! Each of you, think in your heart: many people need me”
Pope Francis



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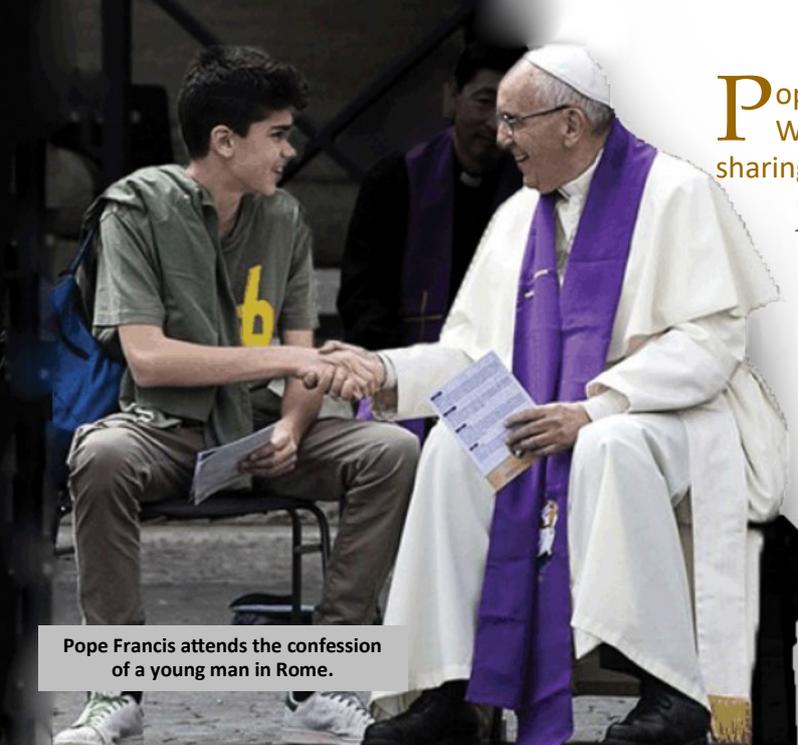
MY MISSION SUNDAY GIFT 2018



with the **YOUTH** we PROCLAIM the **GOSPEL** to all

21 OCTOBER 2018





Pope Francis attends the confession of a young man in Rome.

Pope Francis calls upon the faithful youth in his 2018 World Mission Day Message to join mission through sharing the Gospel. He explains the purpose for our lives:

Every man and woman is a mission; that is the reason for our life on this earth; and that we must seek and persevere in the vocation that God has given us, so that we can share mission to the ends of the earth.

We sometimes think that only the priests and sisters, catechists and lay leaders that work with people in need around the world are called to mission – but in reality, we all are.

What follows is the positive impact that your Mission Sunday gift can have through **MISSIO-NZ**, the Pope's Charity in New Zealand.

Min Min is from Myanmar. She and her five siblings were orphaned at a young age. They were cared for by their grandmother, but all were able to get their primary education through the help of their Catholic Parish. Min Min finished her secondary education and soon after started volunteering at the local school started by the Church – this sparked her love of teaching.

Through her volunteering, Min Min learnt about the opportunity to study to become a teacher at Pyinya Sanyae Institute of Education in Yangon, Myanmar which is organised by the Catholic Church. She has already completed one year of practical training, and is very much looking forward to graduating so she can help

educate and support children in her hometown who otherwise have limited access to quality child-centred education.

“I really want to be a skilful teacher, to give real education to them. I really want to pass on what I've received and learned so that I can help others improve their lives.”

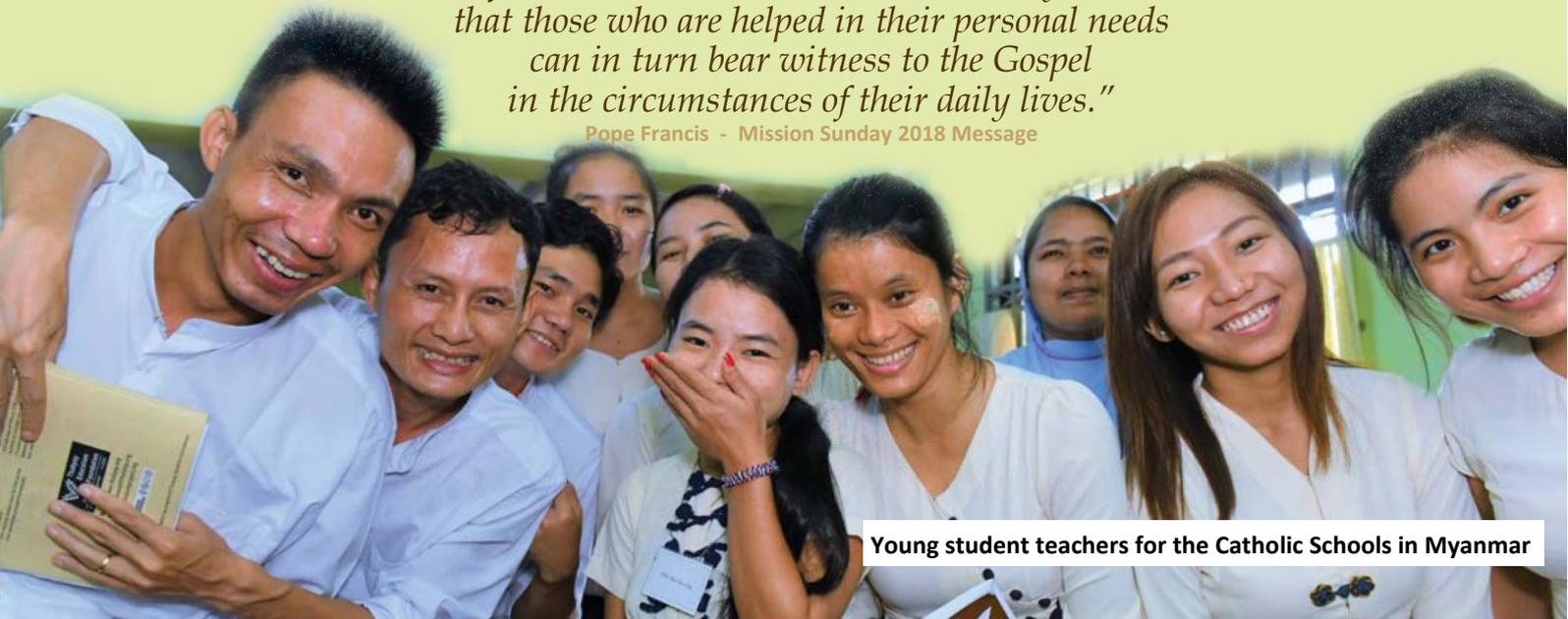
She is grateful for the gift that she has received from her parish given by **MISSIO**. She wants to ensure that younger generations have every opportunity of a full life. Please help support teachers, students and quality schooling as a pathway to building peace and a future for thousands of children in Myanmar today. ■



*Min Min is an orphan since her early childhood. But through the help of her Catholic Parish she was able complete her secondary education, and she hopes to pay forward her good gift from **MISSIO** to her local community. She is among the millions of youth who share the Good News.*

“The prayers and the material aid generously given and distributed through the Pontifical Mission Societies enable the Holy See to ensure that those who are helped in their personal needs can in turn bear witness to the Gospel in the circumstances of their daily lives.”

Pope Francis - Mission Sunday 2018 Message



Young student teachers for the Catholic Schools in Myanmar