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To All Children in our Catholic Primary Schools

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Dear Children

Mission Together - Children helping Children

Jesus taught us to try our best to follow in his footsteps and to make known God's great love for everyone. We can do this by praying for and helping others.

There are children all over the world who struggle to live everyday - they do not have enough food to eat, don't have medicine when they are sick, have no homes, and are not able to go to school - children like Sandra, a seven year old pupil at Marka School, Jordan.

Sandra is a refugee. A refugee is someone who is forced to leave their home because it is too dangerous to stay. Sandra and her family fled the fighting near their home in Iraq. When they arrived in Jordan, they had nowhere to live and Sandra could not go to school. Fr Khalil, the parish priest in Marka - a district in Jordan's capital - helped find Sandra's family somewhere safe to stay and made a place for Sandra at Marka School for Iraqi refugees.

With the help of **Mission Together**, Fr Khalil provides the children with school bags, books and stationery to help them study, and have a snack and drink to keep them healthy. But there are many refugee children who want to attend Marka School too. Father Khalil needs your help so that his school can continue to welcome and look after more children like Sandra.

By supporting **Mission Together** you are showing children like Sandra that they are not forgotten - there are children around the world who care about them, pray for them and who share what they have so that they may be safe and happy.

This year, I hope that you will pray for, and share with, children like Sandra and many others who are living in poverty overseas, so that all children everywhere may be safe, cared for and feel God's love.

By joining in prayer and friendship with other **Mission Together** children around the world, you are doing what Jesus taught us and making known God's great love for all his children. This year please join our **Together in Jordan** campaign and become 'children helping children' too.

Thank you and may God bless you,

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