

# Catholic Mission and Volunteer Organizations

Following the directions from your teacher, research answers to the following questions about your assigned mission or volunteer organization:

1. What is the history of this mission or volunteer organization?
2. Where do its volunteer members serve? In what ministries are they engaged (e.g., education, parish ministry, social work, community organizing)?
3. What are the core values, principles, or tenets of this program?
4. How much money do the volunteers receive each month to cover their basic living expenses?
5. What are the requirements to become a volunteer?
6. How is this program rooted in Gospel values and the example of Jesus?
7. How do you think the volunteers serving in this program are engaged in redemptive suffering? How does their suffering benefit those in need?
8. Find the story of one current volunteer serving in this program. Take some notes about this person on the back of this handout and be prepared to share some details about her or him with the class. For example, you might share her or his educational background, current ministry and location of service, and why she or he chose to engage in full-time volunteer work.

