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## Let's put all our eggs in one basket!



In his Lenten message for 2015, Pope Francis tells us that "every Christian community is called to go out of itself and to be engaged in the life of the greater society of which it is a part, especially with the poor and those who are far away."

This year, St. Carthagh Catholic School in Tweed took on the challenge of raising money for the mission hospital of St. Clotilde, Peru.

Why St. Clotilde? Fr. Maurice Schroeder, who guided St. Carthagh and St. Edmund churches through Advent last year, spent most of the last 30 years building and practicing medicine at the mission hospital of Santa Clotilde. So what better way to support his work than share his focus, the school community asked.

To continue Fr. Moe's mission in Peru as a Lenten focus, the school did research and decided the best way to help was to create a sustainable chicken raising project (*to feed patients*) that would supply an ongoing source of protein - eggs and when no longer laying - meat. This would involve money to build a coop, purchasing the chickens and feed and also working a system to protect the chickens from both theft and predators. The students look forward to photos of the project as it progresses.

The *Construct Carthagh's Coop at Clotilde* fundraiser was on, with a goal of \$1,500. Throughout Lent, classes held a Canadian Tire Money Swap, Bottle Drives, a Movie Night, sold milkshakes and brought in their loose change. Their almsgiving resulted in raising \$1,760 for their brothers and sisters in Peru!