

# Making Connections . . .

Disciples of Jesus realize that all they have, all they are, comes from God and is a gift to be given out of love for God and neighbor.

## With Social Studies

In a small group of three or four classmates, share your responses to the We Are Our Brothers' and Sisters' Keepers activity page. Research one or more of three Catholic organizations that meet the needs of our brothers and sisters throughout the world: Catholic Relief Services ([crs.org](http://crs.org)), Maryknoll ([maryknoll.org](http://maryknoll.org)), and Unbound ([unbound.org](http://unbound.org)). Brainstorm ways that junior high students can support the efforts of your chosen organization(s), including praying daily for the workers and for those whom they serve.

## With Language Arts

Look through your parish bulletin and/or school newsletter or Web site to identify ways your parish and/or school is mindful of the poor. Brainstorm ways your class can take part in one or more of these efforts. Prepare a report and present your findings and your suggestions to your class.

## With Creative Arts

Reflect on the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' explanation of *solidarity*: "We are our brothers' and sisters' keepers, wherever they may be." Create a collage of images showing people caring for our brothers and sisters throughout the world OR create a poster titled Five Ways to Be Your Brothers' and Sisters' Keeper. Share your creation with your class.



*At the end of each day of the coming week, ask yourself, "How was I my brothers' and sisters' keeper today?"*