

“BEING BAPTISED AND SENT”

Parents urged to encouraged children to be missionaries

Many Catholics are being baptised while young. Their baptism signifies a mission to the ends of the world as the theme for this year’s Extraordinary Missionary Month of October suggest “Baptise and Sent”.

As Catholics in the world are being urged to put extra effort on missionary work this month, a call has been placed on parents in Malawi to encourage children to be missionaries in spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Father Vincent Mwakwawa who is the National Director for Pontifical Missionary Society (PMS) in Malawi disclosed a need for parents to encourage children to take prayer life seriously.

Setting an example, the Church has today organised Rosary for Children across the world to encourage children to pray for various issues affecting people.

“Pope Francis urges us that we should all be missionaries, while they are young, these children must be encouraged to be missionaries and they can be missionaries by praying for peace in the world” said Father Mwakwawa.

He then urged parents “It is my plea to parents that, they must teach children to be missionaries, Instead of abusing them, we should encouraged them to serve the church and deepen their prayer life”

The PMS Director, added that Children in the country can be encouraged to pray for peace as the country is still witnessing post elections ugly scenes of violence.

Over one million children had Rosary prayers today across the world. Through luminous mysteries that are followed today, Children prayed for peace, sick people, people that are yet to be reached with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Children have also prayed for “faith” and the spirit of praying for other people’s needs.

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