

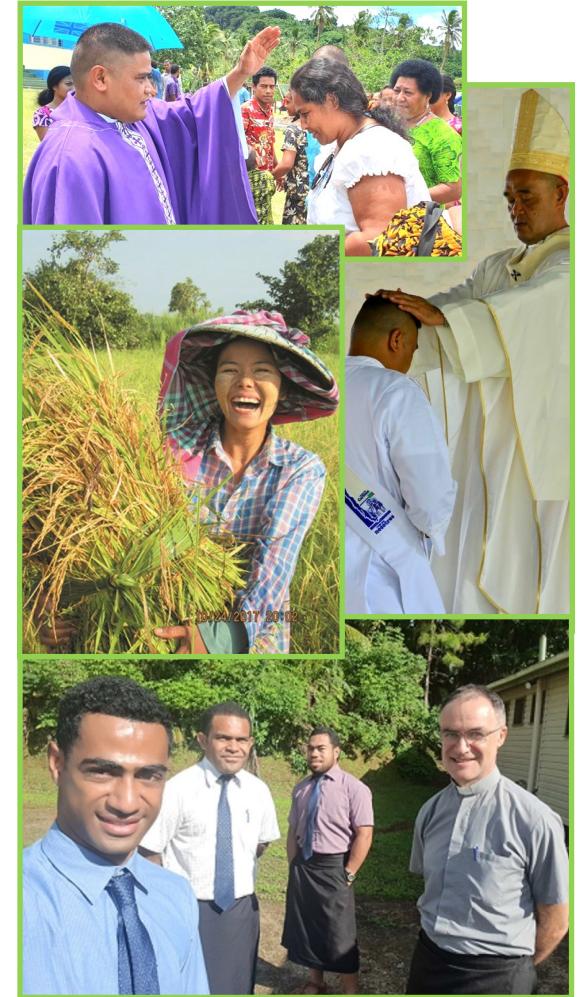
Fr. Tomás King building hand pumps in Pakistan

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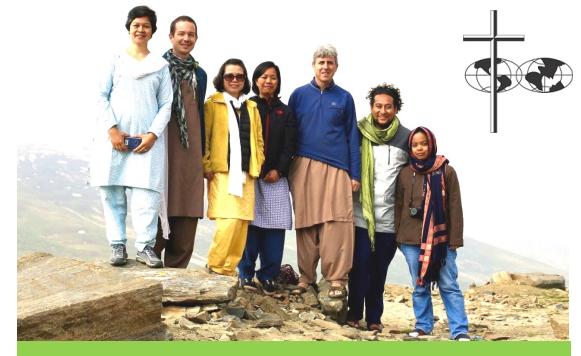
*The wind blows wherever it pleases; you hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. That is how it is with all who are born of the spirit.*

— John 3:8

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MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF  
ST. COLUMBAN



## Missionaries of the People

In 1918 with the blessing of Pope Benedict XV, Irish priests Fr. (later Bishop) Edward Galvin and Fr. John Blowick founded the Missionary Society of St. Columban.

At its founding, the Society's mission focused on evangelization in China. Over more than a century, Columban Fathers, Sisters and lay missionaries have come to understand their task more broadly. Today, Columbans work in solidarity with the marginalized and poor promoting justice, peace and integrity of creation in 17 countries throughout Europe, Asia, Oceania and the Americas.

### Europe

- Britain
- Ireland

### Asia

- China
- Japan
- Korea
- Myanmar
- Pakistan
- Philippines
- Taiwan

### Oceania

- Australia
- Fiji
- New Zealand

### Americas

- Brazil
- Chile
- Mexico
- Peru
- United States



Fr. John Boles building accessible homes in Peru

## What We Do

The Missionary Society of St. Columban is sent by the Church to proclaim and witness to the Good News in Jesus Christ. We cross boundaries of country, language and culture, and live in solidarity with the poor and the exploited earth.



Sr. Bella Lee teaching underserved youth in the Philippines



Fr. Pat O'Donoghue facilitating drug rehab in Myanmar

## How We Do It

- **Establish** the Church among peoples to whom the Gospel has not been preached;
- **Help** churches mature until they are able to evangelize their own and other peoples;
- **Promote** dialogue between Christians and those of other religious traditions;
- **Facilitate** interchange between local churches, especially those from which we come and those to which we are sent;
- **Foster** in local churches an awareness of their missionary responsibility.

## How You Help

- **Pray.** Remember the missions in your daily prayers, at Mass and during Holy Communion.
- **Learn.** With your gift of \$15 or more, you will receive a subscription to *Columban Mission* magazine, where you can read about Columbans and the people they serve.
- **Sponsor.** By becoming a Columban mission sponsor, you promise to pray daily for the success of the Columban missions, and make a monthly gift that works with your budget.

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