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ANNUAL KINGDOM PROJECT TALLY TOPS \$11,000 WITH MORE TO COME FOR UNITED WAY CHATHAM-KENT

The tally so far in this year's Kingdom Assignment has reached \$11,000 in donations for United Way Chatham-Kent – and pledges are still coming in.

Catholic elementary and secondary students raised money in their school communities through a variety of fundraisers, in support of the United Way. The Kingdom Assignment project began in 2008 with a \$3,000 donation from Director of Education Paul Wubben, which has provided the seed money for the annual event.

Thirty groups of students from Ursuline College and its partner elementary schools were given \$100 each, with three simple instructions:

1. It is not their money, but God's.
2. They must do something to further God's Kingdom outside the walls of the school.
3. They must return and report what they did with the \$100.

"The Kingdom Assignment is an opportunity for our students to live out their faith in support of their communities," says Paul Wubben, Director of Education. "It also gives us a chance to help raise awareness for United Way Chatham-Kent and the good work that it does."

Students raise the money through a variety of fun events, including popcorn days, dances, candygrams and cookie sales, pasta lunches, movie days and more. One school even held a "staff dump," in which expired grocery items were mixed together in a gooey concoction and dumped on teachers.

All students who participated in the Kingdom Assignment will meet in the theatre at Ursuline College on Thursday, January 17, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. to report on their Kingdom Assignment projects.

Members of the media are welcome.