

# Global Potluck

**It takes faith: the immigration sagas of Esther and Lydia**

**Sunday, November 12 following the 9:30 Mass**

**As part of the celebration, please bring a dish to share  
that is reflective of your own ethnic heritage.**



Esther Karanja

Lydia Rose Feliho was a nurse in Benin, a tiny sliver of a country on Africa's west coast. Esther Karanja sold second-hand clothes in Kenya, some 2,500 miles to the east. Both had a dream: to emigrate, along with their husbands and children, to America. And both had a faith – a deeply rooted Catholic faith that helped sustained them from the elation of winning the “visa lottery,” through the arduous process of moving and into the long period of adjusting to a new and sometimes mystifying culture.



Lydia Rose Feliho

On Sunday, November 12, Lydia Rose and Esther will describe the immigration journeys from Africa to Corpus Christi as part of our Global Potluck celebration following the 9:30 mass. We invite you to join us as they describe which American cultural norms amused and puzzled them, which popular foods took getting used to and what the biggest difference is between African and American dance styles. Hear about the pain of leaving their families behind and the hope of establishing new roots in the U.S. And learn how American Catholic liturgy and traditions are similar to and also quite different from what's practiced in their homelands.