

## **Sr. Rosali Vargas Takes Up A New Teaching Position In Chulucanas In Northern Peru**



Sr. Rosali Vargas has recently started a new teaching position in Chulucanas, in northern Peru. It's a challenging teaching job.

Chulucanas is a town in Piura Region, Peru. It lies in the Piura Valley, just north of the confluence of the Charanal River with the Piura River. Chulucanas is the administrative seat for both Chulucanas District and Morropón Province. The town is famous for its pottery.

The Sisters are now living in Huarmey, in the Ancash region, further north in Puerto Eten, Chiclayo region; and further north in Chulucanas, Piura region. Sr. Mildred remains alone in the house in Puerto Eten. There is a lovely Christian community that supports and protects her.

Sr. Rosali has moved to Chulucanas, where she has begun to teach a large class of children. Classes started on March 11, following the school's opening on March 1.

Rosali was welcomed to live with a community of Sisters of Mercy who are members of the Caribbean, Central, and South American units of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas.



*Chulucanas Village*

Rosali has accepted the challenge of living in a new Mercy house (she knows the Sisters of Mercy she is living with) in a new place far from all she is used to.

Each day, she must travel twenty minutes or more to get to the school using two moto-taxis. Her teaching position is in a poor school with twenty young children in her class. Sr. Rosali has a teacher assistant to support her. It is summer in Peru, and rains are falling in the Andes, making travel difficult when rivers overflow. There have also been several occurrences of dengue fever, a virus transmitted by mosquitoes.



*School in Chulucanas*

The Sisters of Mercy in Newfoundland keep Rosali in their prayers and in their hearts as she takes on these new and demanding challenges.