

## **REM (Yr 9)**

### **Refugees/Equality/Minorities**

#### Chorus

All we have to do is take a stand,  
To help those in need and give them a hand.  
To walk together in unity,  
And welcome all as one community.

#### Verse 1

Let's serve one another in humility  
To make this our responsibility.  
For Edmund Rice and in his spirit  
Our sense of justice we inherit  
(Chorus)

#### Verse 2

We serve the needy, the sick, and the poor  
To lend them a hand, to give them more.  
So stand up tall and do our bit  
A call for all, to get amongst it.  
(Chorus x2)

## **Turn to Rubble (Yr 8)**

#### Verse 1

I once was a happy boy,  
Never had a lot of trouble.  
Then one day I came back home  
To see my place was rubble

#### Pre-Chorus

Turn, turn, turned to rubble  
Turn, turn, turned to rubble

#### Chorus

No one could hear my voice,  
Everyone else was impaired.  
Shouting out, I had no choice.  
I was worried, I was scared,  
(Pre-Chorus)

#### Verse 2

I'm getting food in little portions,  
Wanting scraps, yet finding nothing,  
Watching people suffer around me.  
We need a voice to help our suffering.

#### Verse 3

So now I share my experience,  
To all those who want to care.  
Hoping they will make a difference,  
To give us hope for all to share.

## **Candles (Yr 10)**

### Lyrics:

#### Verse 1

A thousand candles out at sea,  
So close but yet so far.  
Left from a place of torment,  
But they still feel the scars.  
We confine them on an island,  
We throw away the key.  
We make their world a darker place,  
But they're brighter than we see.  
Can we all work with another  
And lift all of our sisters and brothers  
And let us kindle our mother, earth  
And hold our morals to nurse

#### Chorus

A single deed can change the world,  
No matter where it came.  
People are all different shapes,  
Their lights still burn the same.  
A single candle lights them all,  
Each a unique flame.  
Candles are all different shapes,  
Their lights still burn the same.

#### Verse 2

There was a child sitting alone,  
With dark skin and hands so cold.  
But all I saw was a human boy,  
A small young boy just longing for joy.  
Why are we all so quick to judge,  
We are all on this earth to spread some love.  
Whatever their complexion, I don't care,  
Its all about the personality they bear.  
the problems in this world  
Will rise from all our hate  
So now we work together  
Before it is too late.

#### Bridge

All the problems in this world  
Have come to make us weep  
And we must rise anew together  
Before we're put to sleep.

So light all the candles  
And bring justice to the Earth  
Because it's time to make a change  
And give life its full worth.

## **Open your heart to the cry of the poor (Yrs. 5-7)**

### Verse 1

The grass is green, and the water is blue,  
Edmund Ignatius Rice we follow you.  
We neglect our world, it is affecting us all,  
Jesus, My Lord, what should we do?

### Chorus

Open your heart to the cry of the poor  
Make a change for those who need more  
Give in handfuls to the first, last and next  
Take a deep breath and open the door.

### Verse 2

People are suffering, they're starving and hungry  
It's no use to be privileged if you do nothing good.  
Everyone is lonely when no one's on their side  
It's time to lift them up as Jesus would.

### Bridge

Unite the world, don't make it fall,  
We have the power to change.  
Come in harmony and help one another  
Now's the time to start a brand new page.

(Chorus)

(Instrumental)

(Chorus)