

Covid-19 News Bulletin



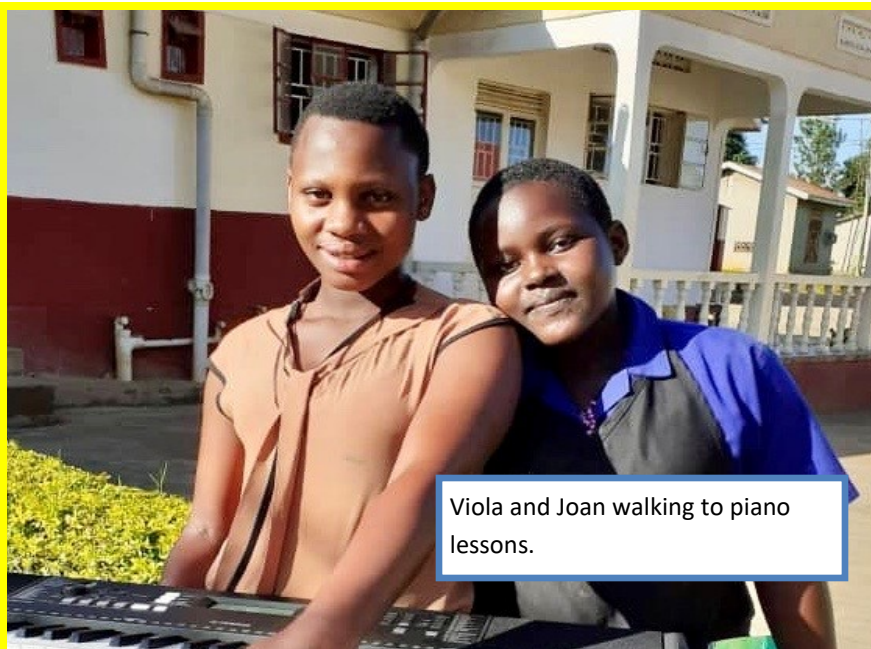
St. Aloysius Girls School, Uganda

May 4, 2020

The latest news updates from Sr. Immaculate and the Uganda government. . . .

- The president of Uganda has extended the country's lockdown until May 19th. Schools are now due to reopen on that date **if** the numbers of covid-19 cases continue to stay low.
- **So far Ugandan efforts have kept the number of confirmed cases at 89 with no deaths.**
- Sister writes: *I am happy to inform you that your total of \$7500 (recent covid contributions) is now in our St Aloysius school account. I am very very happy. Thank you very much as, even though my girls will return with little or no tuition money, I can pay teachers and have food for everyone. It is such a relief for me! With the money you gave us to buy food before the girls left we are sharing with some families of our girls who are local, and with those who work at the school but are not working now except to help in the fields. They are happy to work for food for their families. We also help other neighborhood families that are needy to help the children not to starve. They were very, very grateful. We have saved lots of maize and beans for the girls' return. Thank you to your donations we bought much ahead of time before prices went up.*
- In another WhatsApp message, Sister wrote, *The cows have been disturbing us when they are moving all over the compound and destroying our vegetables and compound trees. Also the bull sometimes gets wild and scares the students so we are now building a fenced area to keep them. The returning girls will be so happy to not have cows walking over their clean clothes when they are drying in the sun!*
- Yesterday, Sister Immaculate wrote: *soon after the students are back we will have the bull butchered to eat. This will give them lots of good meat to celebrate the return of school life and help to rebuild health!*
- During lockdown, everyone (about 10 students/ teachers remain) works in the fields all morning, then they clean up and have lunch. In the afternoon they get to study and do lessons. They all miss their classmates very much, but are thankful to be here and know they are safe and fed. **The rains continue to be good for crops so all are hoping for a good harvest.**

Please continue to pray for St. Aloysius and thank you for your support!!



Viola and Joan walking to piano lessons.



Matooke . . . It's what's for dinner!!

Our matooke crop, from the banana family, has some surplus and is being shared with local families during this time of great need.