

Covid-19 News Bulletin

St. Aloysius Girls School, Uganda



Farewell from Sister Immaculate . . .

It has been hectic of late as I prepared to end my ministry at St. Aloysius and get on to a new ministry in Boston. I will be teaching biology at Austin Preparatory High School in Massachusetts and have been accepted into an MBA program at Endicott College!

I experienced a touching moment seeing my daughters and some staff crying because I was going far away from them. When I told them, it was indeed hard. Some students are scared that they were going to need to drop out of school but I told them God will continue to provide!

I thank you dear friends for being very supportive in my ministry at St. Aloysius. I cant find enough words to thank you but I pray and believe that the Lord will reward you accordingly.

I was so relieved when you promised to do what you can in helping St. Aloysius with scholarships so that the needy girls can get an education. You have generously supported us and it was so special during the school lockdown

that you continued and we were able to help others with food and pay for workers. . . . to give jobs!

If you were not supporting us, our school may have closed for good or have been taken by the bank as has happened in some cases!

Sister Maria Therese has already taken on the responsibility of heading St. Aloysius and I pray all will be well for her. I pray that you will find it in your hearts to continue providing scholarships and other funds whenever possible. My prayer is that the girls I recruited and gave your scholarships to may continue and graduate!

Lately I had a total of 159 students on scholarships of various degrees. \$11,259 has been allocated to scholarships and is in the St. Aloysius account for this coming year for the girls listed who qualified to receive them. Our bookkeeper keeps track of all scholarship money.

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Greetings from Sister Maria Therese . . January 2, 2022

Hello my new friends, I am Sr. Maria Therese Namuwulya who has replaced St. Immaculate as Head of St. Aloysius. Sister has really done a good job to uplift our St. Aloysius school and I endeavor to learn from her good example and carry on in the same regard!

I come from a family of 11 children of which I am the 5th. I was educated by the Daughters of Mary and have now been in the congregation for 15 years. My first position was to be in charge of children and youth ministry in a parish. Then in 2009-2010 I went back to school to get my advanced level high school certificate after which I joined

Kyambogo University for my BA in Education. I majored in history and religious studies.

In 2014, I graduated from the university and was posted to Our Lady Queen of Africa Rubago School and then to St. Bernards Mannyra, a mixed secondary school where I have taught for 7 years. During that time I have served in different capacities. I have been the head of the history department, a counselor, an advisor to many clubs including the scouts and Girl Guides. I also served

as head of the liturgy department. I advanced to the deputy in charge of student welfare and I was also the head of our convent.

During this period I also joined Rotary International and was a member of the Rotary Club of Kalisizo where I served as director of youth services, club administrator, treasurer and sergeant at arms.

I, therefore, come to St. Aloysius with some good experience and a lot of energy! Currently, I am pursuing a Master's degree in Educational Leadership at the University of Kisubi and have completed my first semester online. I am excited to continue the excellent work of St. Immaculate and pray that you will continue to help us with your support. As you may have read in the news, our schools and people in Uganda are still threatened with the pandemic and economic worries. I wish you a fruitful and happy 2022 . . . Sr. Maria Therese





*We are hoping for school to reopen on January 10th!
Everyone is very excited to get back to a normal schedule!*

(Sister Immaculate Farewell continued)

The rest of the donations you have given this past year went to staff salaries and other school maintenance bills. Using some of the money you have been donating, I have done painting, repairing and upgrading our school during lockdown.

I have stocked most of the food for January and February. I paid for materials needed for our school reopening and there is money left of the school account to pay the next set of scholarships! Our dear St. Aloysius is in very good shape and I am very happy to report that some parents have started paying tuition for the daughters in preparation for January.

I will continue to answer any questions for Sr. Maria and will work with her from Boston by WhatsApp to insure a good transition for St. Aloysius.

Dear St. Mary by the Sea and other friends, I am very grateful for your prayers and support these past six years! God be with you, my dear friends . . .

Sister Immaculate

Thank you all for supporting girls' education at St. Aloysius Girls School in Uganda!

Weebale!!

Teachers and Staff



Thank you for your very generous donations! Sister appreciates all you have done for her girls. Future donation checks should be made out to St. Mary by the Sea Church and mailed to:

St. Mary by the Sea

ATTN: Catherine Imbrie

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On the 15th of each month, checks will be deposited into the account for Sr Maria Therese, then wired to Uganda. She will use the money to buy food for the girls, pay teachers and continue building projects. Forty dollars sent each month can keep a girl in school! It costs \$450 a year for tuition, room, board and uniform.