Uganda Girls Project

St. Mary by the Sea Parish, Rockaway Beach, Oregon



A message from St. Mary by the Sea.... Uganda Team... May 21, 2022

When we first discussed to the idea of starting a St. Mary by the Sea Uganda Project, we met with Tim Law in Seattle to get his advice on the best way to create a scholarship program to help needy students. Tim, an attorney, had been working for some time helping the Daughters of Mary build medical clinics in Uganda through donations from Holy Rosary Parish in Seattle. Tim had been to Uganda many times. His insights and suggestions led us to the scholarship program we now have. He also helped us arrange the method that allows us to wire all our donations free to the St. Aloysius school account through the Holy Rosary business office. Through the years he has been extremely helpful and strongly encouraged us to make our 2019 trip to visit St. Aloysius to see the school and meet the staff and students. Enjoy his report on page 2.

Water Purification System Complete We gave Sister the go-ahead to purchase water purification systems before the price goes up! It was delivered and installed this past week!

St. Aloysius desperately needed a water purification system. Phillip, Dia, and Sr. Maria Theresa did the research and concluded St. Aloysius needed two water systems costing approximately \$5700 to meet the needs of 400 students and staff. The steering committee approved the project. Immediately an anonymous donor pledged to finance the second system if we raised enough for the first. Other steering committee members leapt in with their donations. We have received, to date, over \$2000 for this project with more money promised by other involved team members. We told Sister to order the (Continued on back page)

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE....

Hello dear friends.....

I had a chance to meet our former student Maltina Nanyanzi who is now the first woman guild president at the University of Kisubi where I am also pursuing my Masters Degree in Educational Leadership. We were so excited to see each other. We made arrangements for Maltina to come and meet our current students this weekend to share her experiences and encourage

our students to never give up. Thank you, friends, for your great support!!

Our educated young women are becoming leaders!

... Sister Maria Theresa

Blessings Sister Maria Theresa



Tim Law visits St. Aloysius!





(continued from page 1) systems. To our great surprise and joy they were installed last Thursday! You will see the pictures above. A shelter will be built over the system and storage tank soon. Your great generosity continues to support our primary mission; <u>endowing scholarships</u>. We so appreciate you!

A note from Tim Law:

Dear Cathy, Dia and Team, I visited St. A on Tuesday, May 10th. A senior 3 girl was my companion. Her name is Pauline and she is delightful. She is the head girl for Sr. 1-2. I asked if she remembered your visit and she lit up! She was an S -1 girl and she remembered how they waited for you to come and you did! They were happy beyond words and so enjoyed the way you interacted with them. "We will never forget," she said. And when you left they were so sad and say you were sad too. "We were very sorrowful on both sides," she said. ** I was amazed at how well everything appeared. The buildings are freshly painted. Most of the buildings have new iron sheets on the roofs. It looks SO much better than when I saw it 3 years ago. ****The children understand that you are** helping and are very thankful. The small group of girls pictured with me are part of those you sponsor. ****You have much to be** proud of. Excellent work from your team and know you have many students praying for you! Enjoy the pictures! Tim



A few scholarship girls with Tim Law

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 P.O Box 390 ockaway Beach. OR 97136

Pro Box 350 Rockaway Beach, OR 97136 On the 15th of each month, checks will be deposited into the account for Sr Maria Theresa, then wired to Uganda. She will use the money to buy food for the girls, pay teachers and continue building projects. <u>Forty dollars sent each month can keep a girl in school !</u> It costs \$450 a year for tuition, room, board and uniform.