

Uganda Girls Project

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



A message from St. Mary by the Sea . . .

Uganda Team. . . Your continued support has enabled Sr. Immaculate to ensure that she will have a good corn crop for the next harvest season (see her note)! St. Aloysius will also meet the qualifications of having enough hand washing stations and classrooms for school to start. Sister is hoping that the rumors about being able to open two grade levels beginning on September 20 are true.

She hopes she will soon hear, officially, and St Aloysius will be ready! **Sadly, according to Sister Immaculate, there are many schools in Uganda that are predicting they will not be able to stay in business when given permission to re-open!**

All God asks of us is to keep sharing our gifts with those who have been given to us as our neighbors. Thank you!

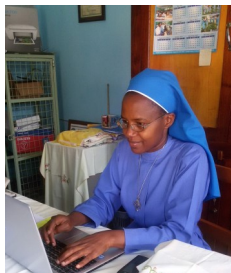
A reminder:

There will be a Steering Committee meeting this coming Friday at 11:00 (September 18th) in the church courtyard. **Anyone interested in attending is welcome.** We hope that all steering committee members will be able to attend since this will be our first meeting in a long time. **Wear your mask please! We will have chairs arranged 6' apart.**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE. . . .

Dear Friends!

Sisters, staff and students are FOREVER GRATEFUL for so much help from our friends at St Mary by the Sea and beyond. Friends, you have kept us going during this time!



We are hoping to hear from our government this week that we can re-open our school on **September 20th!** Oh, how I pray to God that it will be so! We are so excited about this possibility!

The parents of our girls are so wonderful. In this newsletter you will see one such parent! This lady works in our gardens each year to earn tuition for her daughter. The daughter is now in her 4th year and gets good grades! **The mom never went to school but wants her daughter to be smart and learn computers to get a good job.** Thank you for your help in making education available for girls like this! I really can not thank you enough!

After our corn crop was harvested, we hired, with your financial help, to have a tractor plow our 7 acres to replant our next corn crop. In the picture on page 2, you can see the girls and a sister are spreading manure to improve the soil. So far we have planted 2 acres but will keep working until all 7 acres are fertilized and planted! We have been very hard at work during this time of school closure!

You are in our prayers . . . **Sister Immaculate**



After working in the fields all day, our girls are enjoying some free time!

After we had the field plowed (thank you again!) 2 girls and a sister are spreading manure to enrich our soil!



Students preparing vegetables that we grow for our dinners. We serve the cooked vegetables over beans or matooke.



WeeBale, friends!

Thank You!



This mother is incredibly dedicated to her daughter's education! We are grateful for her help!



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
Rockaway Beach, OR 97136**

On the 15th of each month, checks will be deposited into the account for Sr Immaculate, 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.