

# Uganda Girls Project



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

## Good Friday 2020 . . . A message from St. Mary by the Sea. . . . Uganda Team

Joyful Easter Blessings to all! Life has changed for all of us. There are so many needs everywhere and so many worthy causes that it can be overwhelming. Thank you to so many who contributed in March to St Aloysius. \$2500 was mailed Monday April 7th and Holy Rosary church will wire the money to the St Aloysius account in Uganda next Wednesday.

In answer to some questions, Sister Immaculate writes: Our five students still here (total orphans), and four sisters are trying to maintain St Aloysius, and work in the fields.

I just heard from Sister this morning and paraphrasing her worries: **Many parents have been out of work and will not have any money to pay tuition. We carry on, and because you help us so much, we will have food for our girls when they return. My biggest worry now is how to pay the teachers and staff when school starts up again as they will be needy too...**

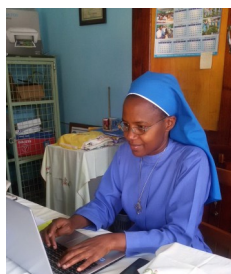
One of our parishioners has recently sent a special contribution of \$500 to help Sister through the Covid-19 crisis. If anyone else would like to send a special contribution, we will do our best to get money to Sister in a timely manner!

We are only sending out this newsletter through email. No printed copies will be available, but you are welcome to print and share with anyone you know might be interested. If you know someone in our faith community who doesn't have a computer or email, please run them a copy and drop it off!

Thanks to all! Happy Easter!

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE. . . .

Dear Friends! Thank you for the support you have given! I took your advice in February to prepare when I thought my girls would be quarantined here. We



were surprised that the president said that **all boarding school students must be sent home!** As they were leaving, some girls asked for food to take home because they knew there would not be much food to eat in the future at their homes when no one could work and that has already come true. Our people in Uganda are already crying out to government to give them some food. People are not working and they need money to buy food. You see, most people are

day workers which means that each day they make enough money to buy food for that one day. It is very hard here to get ahead. Our president says that food help is on the way. I am sure many of our girls will come back when they have lost weight due to some level of starvation. I am so afraid more will die of hunger while waiting out the virus. We are planning that the girls will be coming back to school and classes can start up by the end of April.

In the meantime, we are busy weeding the maize and cleaning the banana plantation. We have planted cassava [root vegetable] and are planting some other vegetables so that when life is back to normal we can have some food for our girls and can also help to feed the people who will come to us for aid. The work in the fields is never ending for us!

We are surely scratching our heads on how to handle the situation when teachers and students return. They sit close to each other in classes. They sleep close to each other. It will be tricky. Please keep us in your prayers!

*Sister Immaculate, Principal*



**Happy Easter**  
to all of  
our friends and  
supporters at  
**St. Mary by**  
**the Sea**

**We love you!**





# PRESIDENTIAL GUIDELINES

## TO MANAGE THE SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS

Effective 1st April 2020



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### SUSPENDED

- Movements in and out of country 32 DAYS
- Public Transport 14 DAYS
- Private Transport 14 DAYS
- Boda Boda 14 DAYS
- Tuk-Tuks 14 DAYS
- Coaches 14 DAYS
- Buses 14 DAYS
- Air Transport 32 DAYS



### CLOSED

- Shopping Malls 14 DAYS
- Arcades 14 DAYS
- Hardware shops 14 DAYS
- Lodges 14 DAYS
- Salons 14 DAYS
- Non Food stores 14 DAYS
- Non-Food Markets 32 DAYS
- Garages 14 DAYS



### PROHIBITED

- Gatherings of more than 5 people
- Parties
- Bars
- Communal weddings
- Churches
- Political rallies and events
- Movements of any form between 7:00pm and 6:30am

### ALLOWED (WITH PRECAUTION)

- Food markets - 4 metres circumferential distance, workers must stay at camp
- Supermarkets - Regulate numbers that come and leave
- Construction sites - workers must stay at camp
- Factories - workers must camp
- Pharmacies
- Vet shops
- Agric stores
- Banks
- Judiciary
- Media houses
- Private security companies
- Garbage collection services
- Fuel stations
- Water departments
- KCCA staff
- Telecommunication
- Door-to-door delivery
- Cleaning services
- Medical centres
- Agriculture



We have been following Claire for many years now. She was an orphan who desired an education and was a good student. Her dream is still to become a physician. We funded her last two years of secondary school at St Aloysius. She qualified at the university and borrowed money to continue her education. When the colleges closed, she came back to St Aloysius. It's the only home she has. She works hard in the fields with everyone else when she is home.



### FOOD

Government will provide food for those affected

### GOV'T WORKERS

- Stay Home
- Army, the Police, the Health workers, the Electricity, Water and Telephone workers allowed
- People in barracks should not get out.

### BUSINESS

- URA shall not close businesses on account of not paying taxes in these 14 days.
- Cargo transport must continue
- No disconnection of WATER and ELECTRICITY during this time.
- No seizing properties due to non loan payment



### SECURITY & HEALTH

- The vehicles of the Army, Police, ambulances utilities' vehicles, Prisons, UWA, etc., will continue to move on order of the competent authorities
- Government cars to help deliver people to hospitals

**CURFEW**  
7:00pm - 6:30am



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.