

Uganda Girls Project



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

A message from St. Mary by the Sea. . . . Uganda Team. . . September 16, 2022

Join us if you can! Our festive yard sale event will be on Saturday, Sep 24th this year (see our flyer on the back page). This our last fundraising project of the year.

We hope to have many of you who live in our area donate your gently used treasures, volunteer to help at the sale, and/or buy that special item you didn't know you needed!!!

Paying it Forward . . . St. Aloysius graduate, Maltina, now the student government president of her university, has taken on a new challenge. She writes:

We are currently preparing for a health camp in this forth coming October intended for community outreach. We have so many people who lose their dear lives for failure to get medical care because they can't afford medical bills. So this event will be entirely free of charge for all community members to get care.

We shall have several health activities including conducting different tests for diseases and donating blood. We are trying to source for funds from different well wishers to make this day happen.

Your friend, Maltina Grace

We are so proud of Maltina, one of our St. Aloysius graduates who benefited from our scholarships! Even as a college student, she is making a difference... she is, ***paying it forward!***

You can see from this newsletter, that all students are back at St. Aloysius as of September 3rd! It has returned to being quite the busy place! Sister Maria Theresa has also been super busy managing the school as well as doing a practicum at a neighboring high school for her graduate degree in school administration! Enjoy the newsletter!

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE. . . .

To our dear friends.

Before sharing our news, I would like to give a big thank you on behalf of our St. Aloysius students and the Haiti Women's project. I have seen your announcements about this special yard sale you will be having, and we say, "Weebale!" on behalf of all women who need help to



better the lives of their families and their communities. I hope it is a big success!

With the coming of September our students started returning to us, along with a torrent of rain which delayed some students arriving on time. We are all back now and classes are off to a good start for the last term of this year. Year end tests will be beginning for some students in October. It seems like they go on forever for some of the grades who must do well to pass along to the next grade level.

We have recently had two women visitors from Calgary, Canada. They were representing their Rotary Club and they brought gifts to our students. The reusable sanitary pads were received with great joy as this issue is something that women here deal with in a special way. So we were happy for their visit and appreciated their Rotary gifts.

Our scholarship girls are all writing you thank you letters. I photograph the letters with their pictures and send a few at time to you. I have just sent the first four, and I hope you enjoy them. It will take quite some time to get them all sent.

For me, school life is very busy these days. I must spend two hours each school day morning doing a practicum class to get a masters degree in administration. I hope this will help me gain knowledge to be a good administrator.

With prayers of gratitude to you,

Sister Maria Theresa

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ST. ALOYSIUS S.S.S. BWANDA INFORMATION FROM SPONSOR

NAME HARRIET .
CLASS 54
AGE 17 YEARS
VILLAGE BUKIRI
YEAR IN SCHOOL FOUR YEARS



DESCRIPTION OF MY FAMILY
I COME FROM A NUCLEAR FAMILY HEADED BY MY MOTHER. BOTH MY PARENTS ARE STILL ALIVE BUT I LIVE UNDER THE CUSTODY OF MY MOTHER. WE ARE SEVEN CHILDREN AND I AM THE THIRD BORN. WE ARE ALL GIRLS AND MY 4 LITTLE SISTERS ARE STUDYING BY THE SUPPORT OF MY MOTHER.

FUTURE PLANS AND GOALS AFTER GRADUATION
AFTER MY GRADUATION, I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO BECOMING A STATICIAN AS WELL AS BUSINESS MANAGEMENT. DUE TO THE SKILLS IN CREATIVITY AND INNOVATIVENESS. NEXT I WOULD LOVE TO DEVELOP MY FAMILY ESPECIALLY THROUGH EXPRESSING MYSELF AS A CANDLE TO MY MOTHER. I ALSO WISH TO TRAVEL ABROAD AS IN THAT I MIGHT GET A CHANCE OF MEETING YOU AS IT IS SAID THAT MOUNTAINS DON'T MEET BUT PEOPLE DO.

THANK YOU NOTE

I GENUINELY THANK YOU FOR YOUR WONDERFUL CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS MY EDUCATION AND THE WHOLE SCHOOL AT LARGE. ALWAYS FEEL MOVED WHENEVER I THINK OF THIS GREAT OFFER AND I LATER REMIND MYSELF THAT ONE DAY ONE TIME I WILL ALSO DO THE SAME TO BRING JOY IN SOME PEOPLE'S LIVES. I INDEED TAKE THIS TO BE A REMARKABLE OPPORTUNITY SINCE THERE ARE MANY PARENTS WHO CAN NOT MANAGE TO TAKE ON THE BIG RESPONSIBILITY OF EDUCATING THEIR CHILDREN. WITH THAT I PRAY THAT THE LORD REPLENISH WITH THE BEST WHERE YOU HAVE REMOVED. MAY THE LORD BLESS YOUR WORKS OF YOUR HANDS AND LIGHT THE PATH OF YOUR FEET.

ST. MARY BY THE SEA
ROCKAWAY BEACH

YARD SALE

Saturday
September 24th
9am-4:00pm

- SILENT AUCTION
- HOT DOGS & DRINKS
- NO EARLY BIRDS PLEASE

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT ST. ALOYSIUS GIRLS SCHOOL, UGANDA
&
THE HAITI WOMEN'S PROJECT

WILL
YOU BE
THERE?

Weebale!



Students waiting at the bus station for the school van to pick them up.

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** (Please write UGANDA on the memo line) and mail 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 St. Aloysius Girls School, then wired to Uganda. **\$50 dollars sent each month can keep a girl in school and help with teachers' salary!** It costs \$500 a year for tuition, room, board and uniform. The extra \$100 is to cover increased cost of teacher salaries.