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that help educate & feed the students at Ste.  
Thérèse! Enclosed is my check for \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Please make **checks payable to "St. Mary's  
Haiti Ministry"** and mail to St. Mary Church,  
16 Bidwell Square, Unionville, CT 06085.

**THANK YOU for your support!**

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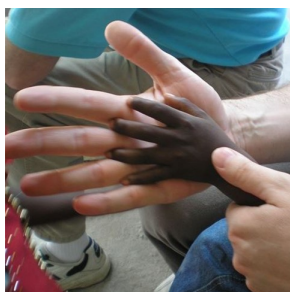
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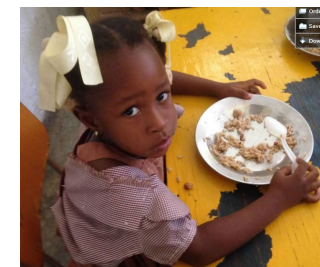


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**St. Patrick  
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&  
St. Mary Star of the Sea  
(Unionville)**

## Haiti Ministry

*Feeding, Educating &  
Supporting the Students  
& Parish of Ste. Thérèse  
de L'Enfant Jésus School  
& Church in Lilavois Haiti  
to Improve Haiti's Future!*





## MISSION & HISTORY

The mission of the **St. Patrick (Collinsville) - St. Mary Star of the Sea (Unionville) Haiti Ministry** is to provide both spiritual and material support for Ste. Thérèse de L'Enfant Jésus Church and School in Lilavois Haiti.

In addition to including our Haitian brothers and sisters in our prayers, the ministry raises money through grants, fundraising drives, and special events to fund what started as a feeding program alone, but has now become so much more.

This ministry, started at St. Patrick Church in Collinsville in 1999, has become a partnership with St. Mary Star of the Sea Church in Unionville, and broadened support to fund a wider range of needs for the school and the parish including:

- Providing hot meals for more than 450 students during the weekdays of the school year
- Paying a significant portion of the teachers' salaries
- Providing scholarships for top graduates to enable them to pursue higher education
- Providing funds for capital projects, such as rebuilding the church structure

*Interested in learning more about the Haiti Ministry and Ste. Thérèse?*

**Contact Co-chairs Sharon Fuller at (860) 916-7610 or Scot Scala at (954) 732-7663.**

*We believe that education will help lift Haiti out of poverty. And, in order to learn, students must have nourishing food and qualified teachers! Our ministry focuses on the following key project areas:*



### FEEDING

We raise money through appeals, collections, events, and grants to provide lunch to all the students each school day of the year. Nutritious food allows students to focus on learning!

### LEARNING

We provide funds to support teachers' salaries. Without teachers, students can't attend school and learn.



### SCHOLARSHIPS

Supported by a few donors' contributions, scholarships are awarded to top graduating 12th grade students. The commitment is \$1,000 for 4 years (\$4,000 total) and allows a student to attend the University in Port-au-Prince.

## OTHER PROJECTS FUNDED INCLUDE:

### SOLAR POWER

A grant was written to procure solar panels and batteries in order to provide electricity to the school. This in turn allowed other projects to occur (e.g., computers).

### COMPUTER LAB

Thanks to funding from the Avon-Canton CT Rotary, we have provided computers for the students. These computers allow students to keep up with their peers in other countries and be more competitive in the job market.

### LIBRARY

A school without a library & books? Yes, that is how it was until we provided a small library.

### KITCHEN IMPROVEMENTS

Meals used to be prepared in the open air under a very hot sun (and it gets HOT in Haiti!). We provided funds to build a covered kitchen area to prepare meals.

### BATHROOMS WITH FLUSH TOILETS

Before these were built, there were stalls with holes in the ground. Now the students have bathrooms with flush toilets that are private and sanitary.

*Enjoy these photos of life at Ste. Thérèse School. We invite you to join us in feeding & educating these students so that Haiti has a brighter future!*

