



HAITI TWINNING MINISTRY NEWS LETTER-February 2019

After the Advent and Christmas Season at Saint Gabriel, Fr. Ady Mytial attended the Annual Priest Retreat in Papaye, near Hinche, Haiti with Bishop Desinord JEAN for a week. On his return home to Lascahobas, the people experienced a gas and electricity shortage. The situation is now improving.

Fr. Jacques Bloch (1st-6th) & St Gabriel School (7th-13th), 2 Schools in one: The school is in session and doing well.

Thank you for your prayers for Djovan PIERROT, 3rd grader who contracted typhoid and has a painful stomach ulcer. The family has seen a doctor at the Lascahobas Hospital who prescribed additional medication. Djovan is back in school and doing better.

Mr. Bernadin Bosquet, the Head of School for the Jacques Bloch School at Saint Gabriel had a heart attack in Jan. He is still in the hospital. He has a wife, also a teacher, and two young children. Please keep Mr. Bosquet and his family in prayer.

10th Annual Parish Haiti Cultural Dinner, Sacred Heart Church, Norfolk—Sat. Jan. 26th

The dinner was a success. It was attended by 120 guests. Many thanks to Fr. Paul, the staff, Justice and Peace, the Haiti Ministry members, the volunteers, the donors, the sponsors, The Alliance Française, and the following twin parishes for supporting this worthy event at Sacred Heart: Holy Family, Holy Spirit, St. Mary Basilica, St. Mary of the Presentation, St. Mark, St Pius, other parishes and members of the larger community. This year, the Sacred Heart Choir reserved a table! The theme was “Dedicated Teachers at St. Gabriel School, Haiti.” Guest speakers were Kathy Dowdy from Holy family and Dr. Pamela McKinney from Holy Spirit, Chair and Co-Chair of the Diocesan Haiti Education Support Team. The evening featured live music and a silent auction with gifts revolving around “Cultures and Hobbies.” This event will help support almost six teachers. Bulletin note submitted.

20th Pilgrimage (Winter) Preparation & Blessing of HTM and Pilgrims, Feb. 28-March 9, 2019

Twice a year, Fr. Ady invites the parishioners at Sacred Heart and friends in the community to join him at his rectory at St. Gabriel. The format for the pilgrimage is: Pre-Pilgrimage Retreat (Sat. Feb. 23), Pilgrimage (Feb. 28-March 9), Post-Pilgrimage Retreat, Vigil Prayer during pilgrimage, and Blessings by Fr. Paul and Fr. Ady prior to and after the Pilgrimage. The Retreat Material Folder and Pilgrims’ Manual have been updated and printed. Bulletin note submitted.



Amy Woods and Teen Servers at the Dinner

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