



Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Haiti Twinning Ministry Minutes
2018-2019 School Education with Playground



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Wednesday, April 3rd, 2019

Present: Patricia Britz, Neil Walsh, Brendan Pigott, Silver Ibenye, Mike Stark, William Wallace, & Francesca Smith

Blessing & Simple Dinner: Patricia—Soup, Neil—Bread, Brendan—Cookies.

Welcome, Thank You, Meeting Goals (Individually & as a Ministry we are on a pilgrimage to the Kingdom with a Shared Mission. Also Fiscal Year ends June 30.) Patricia thanked all present. **Opening Prayer:** Archangel St Gabriel (Incarnation) —Neil **Prayer Intentions:** SH Bulletin Service Members/Pastoral Care, Fr. Paul & Fr. Ady—**Special Intentions:** All

Vision & Covenant—Brendan

Bread for the World: 2019 World Offering of Letters Campaign entitled “Better Nutrition/Better Tomorrow”:

Mike presented a PowerPoint to the members about Bread for the World which will be held at SH on 4/27 and 4/28 and 5/4 and 5/5. Mike asked members to consider volunteering for one of the masses to assist parishioners with writing the letters. Please see the SH bulletin, SH web site, or contact Mike Stark at mpstark@aol.com or 627-7660 for more information. You can also e-mail letters to Congress by going to the Offering of Letters Website (<http://www.bread.org/ol>) clicking on “Join the Campaign” and clicking on “Write to Congress” under “Take Action” and by following the instructions there. If you do this, please send Mike a note with your name and the name of your representative for tabulation.

M’Pale Kreyol/ I Speak Creole—Silver/All—In keeping with our Covenant with SG, we are learning Haitian Creole.

Good News: William shared the good news from both parishes: several birthdays at Sacred Heart Parish (SHP) and St. Gabriel Parish (SGP); 4/4/19—3rd Anniversary of the nomination of Bishop JEAN Desinord as new bishop for the Diocese of Hinche, Haiti; 4/9/16—Bishop JEAN visited the Hampton Roads Area and met SH HTM members in Portsmouth VA; they also met him at Holy Family 4/12/2019—Fr. Bernard’s Birthday; 4/18-21/2019—Easter Triduum; 4/21/19—Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of Our Lord; and 4/28/19—2nd Sunday of Easter—Sunday of Divine Mercy.

Evening Prayers and Stations of the Cross in Solidarity with Haiti on Friday, April 12, 2019 Followed by Simple Dinner: Francesca reminded members the HTM Stations are on 4/12/2019 and will start promptly at 6 P.M. She and Brendan reviewed the Evening Prayers and Station Booklets. The reading assignment schedule is done and will be emailed with the Station Booklet prior to 4/12/19 with some instructions so each reader can review his/her reading. If you have any questions, please contact Francesca. **After the Stations, we will enjoy a Simple Dinner in the Commons.** ORB is a Lent Campaign to assist 6 Central American countries to become self-supporting/sustaining—A Life Changing Lenten Journey. For Operation Rice Bowl, see SH bulletins/TV in Commons.

12th Anniversary in Twinning Preparations—May 8th, 2019: Patricia asked for feedback from members on what they would like to see for the 12th Anniversary. Susie (cake), Neil suggested pictures from the 1st pilgrimage to SG, there will be a prayer as part of the Prayer of the Faithful, a bulletin note. Much has been accomplished in 12 years of twinning.

SG’s & the Annunciation Feast Day Novena/Solidarity with SGP, March 16-25, 2019, Reflection. Patricia thanked Brendan for leading the vigil for the pilgrims and Susie for the Novena Prayer for St. Gabriel’s Feast Day. She asked for feedback from the members who agreed the Novena Prayer was beneficial. It is part of our shared Covenant.

HTM FY 18-19 Goals 1 & 2, Evaluation: Francesca read the Goals 1 & 2 Titles and Scope and the members silently read the summaries and outcomes. Members were asked for editing feedback. Goal #1: Continue Growing in a Faith Community. Goal #2: Continue Building Reciprocal Community-to Community Relationships. Both goals have been achieved.



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Walking With William: William shared the walks are in different Norfolk neighborhoods and take place either on a Fri. or Sat., 2-4 PM. All are welcome to join and enjoy fellowship. POC is William.

The Williams School (TWS): Patricia noted TWS will continue with the CAN CAN COLLECTION through the end of the year and next year and friendship notes between TWS and SG School.

St. Patrick School (SPS): The Head of Religious Education at SPS invited Neil and Patricia to their weekly Middle School Assembly. The school is considering taking part in the friendship note program.

Save the Dates

Walking with William (6th Walk)—Friday, April 26, 2019, 2 to 4 PM.

Summer Pilgrimage to St. Gabriel (mid July). All are welcome. **Please RSVP with Patricia by mid-April** so best prices/dates can be made. Tentative dates are 7/ 18 or 19 to 7/29 or 30.

10th Annual Play Fore the Parishes: A Swing and a Prayer Golf Tournament Fri., Oct. 4th, 2019, Sewells Point Golf Course, Registration/Lunch at Noon, Shotgun Start at 1:00 P.M.: Neil noted the Planning Committee has started to meet, and provided the following:

- **Purpose:** The 2019 Golf Tournament benefits SH Church, its Ministries, Local Community Outreach Programs, and St. Gabriel School, Haiti.
- **How You Can Help:** Please consider donating or obtaining donations In Memory of/Honor of (contact Patricia), and/or finding sponsors for Tournament, a Hole, Beverage Cart, Lunch Sponsor (contact Neil). Also, gift cards from restaurants, coffee/tea cafes, services, bottles of wine, and golf items (books, balls, etc.) are needed for the raffle, (contact Patricia). Neil has draft letters prepared to be sent to businesses, etc.
- **For more information** check the SH bulletins and website.

Announcements

Stations of the Cross—Saint Mary Basilica, Friday, April 19th, 11:00 AM.

2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal. See SH bulletins and website.

Easter Flowers—Donations for Easter Flowers at SH. See table in Commons.

Pen Pal Notes: turn in your notes for Fr. Ady & pen pals by Sun., May 5th, 2019 to Francesca or HTM mailbox in Commons.

Closing Prayer from God is No Stranger: Haitian Creole and English—Silver and All.

Next HTM Meetings, All are welcome!

Wed, May 8th, Simple Dinner 6:30PM, Meeting 7:00-8:30 PM (Soup-Francesca, Bread-Silver, Cake-Susie, Prayer-William)

Wed, June 5th, Simple Dinner 6:30PM, Meeting 6:30-8:30 PM (Soup-Patricia, Bread-Susie, Cake-Ashley, Prayer-Francesca)

Wed, July 10th, Simple Dinner 6:30PM, Meeting 6:30-8:30 PM

Wed. Mass at 5:30 PM (check bulletin), Adoration 6:00, Simple Dinner 6:30, Meeting 7 to 8:30 pm (Guests Welcome)



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Wed. 4/3/19	Haiti Twinning Ministry Meeting Simple Dinner 6:30 pm, Meeting 7:00 pm-8:30 pm
Fri. 4/12/19	Haiti Solidarity Stations of the Cross, 6:00 pm, CRS/ORB Soup & Bread
4/18-20/19	Triduum—Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Vigil
Sun. 4/14/19	Palm Sunday
Sun. 4/21/19	Easter Sunday
Sun. 4/28/19	2 nd Sunday of Easter—Divine Mercy
Wed. 5/8/19	Haiti Twinning Ministry Meeting & 12th Anniversary in Twinning (May 10th actual date)
Thur. 5/30/19	The Ascension of the Lord (celebrated on 6/2/19—7 th Sunday of Easter)