Uganda Girls Project

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



October 15, 2025

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE....

Dear Friends,

We thank you deeply for all the support you have given to us this year through your scholarship donations.

Our S4 students are starting their very important Govern-



ment Tests and the S6 students will start theirs in a couple of weeks. Please pray that they do well. I also want to share with you a trip to Kampala that the S4 and S6 students recently took in connection with the new government curriculum. This trip was organized and paid for by the

parents' club.

We took our students by bus on a history trip to Kampala. Many of our girls had not seen our government buildings or our important historical sites. This is our history:

The Bantu-speaking people known as Baganda have been a powerful political force in the Uganda region since the 13th century. According to oral traditions, the first Kabaka (king) of the Baganda was Kintu Kato, who conquered the five main tribes in the area and united the Baganda people; this began a political legacy that has continued to last for over 700 years. Under the British rule, the palace at Kasubi was repurposed as a royal tomb, interring a large number of Kabakas and also their modern-day descendants. It is important for our students to know our long history and the symbolic meaning of the Kasubi Royal Tombs. In 1884 the British signed a peace treaty with us and took over our government until 1962. Did you know we still have a king besides our president?

On this same trip we visited the Nsambya Babies Home, an orphanage for babies, and took some charity to them. We had diapers, washing powder and soap for the babies and volunteered to help by changing bedding sheets and playing with the babies. There are plans being made to also do other volunteer work in the future. Please enjoy our pictures.

Gister Maria Theresa, Principal

A message from the St. Mary by the Sea, Uganda Girls Project Team. . . .

In our recent phone call from Sr. Maria Theresa, she talked about how well the new curriculum is going and how St. Aloysius is thriving. The student population of 457 students have adjusted to the new curriculum, and more parents are interested in sending their girls to St. Aloysius. Our scholarship students are excelling in their schoolwork and in leadership positions. We can be proud of this scholarship program and hopefully it will continue for many years to come.

As we wind down to the end of this year of 2025, we thank you on behalf of our scholarship girls and the Daughters of Mary sisters who are dedicated to raising up the poor of their country, Uganda. We know there are many worthy causes that need support. Thank you for choosing to help the St. Aloysius scholarship girls as one of your charities.

Because the Daughters of Mary 501c3 new website is still **not** available for online donations, please mail your checks to:

Daughters of Mary Sisters c/o Sr. Immaculate 136 Lynn St. Peabody, MA 01960

Please write *St. Aloysius School* on the memo line of your check and include your email address so the sisters can quickly let you know they have received your check.

You can still donate through the St. Mary by the Sea online giving until the last Sunday in October. Thank you, friends, for your understanding and patience during this time of transition as it came sooner than we were expecting!

We hope you enjoy the great pictures of the St. Aloysius field trips that Sister has recently sent along with some history of Uganda.

Be blessed The Team

Visiting Nsambya Babies Home, an orphanage in Kampala.







Thank you for your very generous donations! Sister appreciates all you have done for her girls. Future donation checks should be made out to <u>St. Mary by the Sea Church</u> (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

OR give online at: www.stmarybythesea.com click on Online Giving and under Fund choose St. Aloysius School in Uganda.

THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS!