

Uganda Girls Project

Rockaway Beach, Oregon and Peabody, Massachusetts



June 2026

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE. . . .

It is amazing how quickly this year is passing. The girls have returned for their second term and are hard at work with their classes, entrepreneurial projects, and school clubs.

Please keep our school and country in your prayers. We have received concerning news about a new strain of Ebola spreading in the Democratic Republic of Congo along with a few cases reported in Uganda as well. Thankfully, all of our students and teachers remain safe here at St. Aloysius. We continue to follow the news and health updates closely.



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I, personally, have also been especially busy pursuing my master's degree in administration. I am nearing completion and look forward to finishing the program soon. This knowledge helps me here at St. Aloysius.

Thank you once again to our dear donors who make it possible for deserving and needy students to receive an education. Your generosity is changing lives and giving these young women hope for a brighter future.

With heartfelt gratitude, yours in Christ

Sister Maria Theresa, Principal

FROM THE TEAM . . .

As most of you have probably heard, Uganda has closed its border with the Democratic Republic of Congo due to concerns about the spread of Ebola. After reading as much information as we could find, along with Uganda health updates sent by my sister and other friends, it seems that containing the outbreak will not be easy. There are many unofficial border crossings between the two countries, making it difficult to completely restrict movement.

I had a brief conversation with Sister Maria Theresa last week. While Ebola is certainly concerning, she shared that there are always occasional Ebola cases in the region. What is affecting the school more immediately is the rising cost of food. Prices continue to climb, making it increasingly difficult to provide for everyone at the school.

Sister also expressed her gratitude for our most recent donation of \$6,843. After crediting the scholarship students, she immediately went to the market to purchase additional beans and maize for the school.

To bring you up to date, so far this year we have sent \$13563 to St. Aloysius, with an additional \$2200 currently in Sister Immaculate's account awaiting wire transfer to St. Aloysius's account in Uganda. As you know, we have had to pay a fee to wire your contributions to St. Aloysius' account. But, beyond that fee, 100% of your donations go to educate needy students at St. Aloysius!

We are hoping to do one fundraiser this year that Michelle and Tony V. are spearheading along with the help of their daughter. There will be more information about plans in the next couple of months and we hope everyone will be able to participate. Since most of us are in our late 70's and 80's, we've decided that we cannot do fundraising that requires a lot of physical work, such as last year's yard sale.

Through our scholarships, we are helping provide education, hope, and faith-filled opportunities for qualified girls!

May God bless you abundantly for your compassion and generosity!

. . . . CATHERINE AND THE TEAM

As of June 1st we have raised \$15,763 towards our goal of \$40,000.

Weebale! Thank you SO much to all of our supporters and friends!



Letters

Thank you from Priscilla:

Dear donors to my tuition scholarship, I am a first year student at St. Aloysius Girls School. I am oldest of my family at 13 years old and I love school. I have 5 younger siblings and my mom is our only supporter. She is not able to provide for all of us so I thank you for being good hearted and providing my tuition for school. Where would I be without your help? I would be helping my family at home.

My mother and I thank you and remember you in our prayers for sponsoring me. We ask God to bless you, Priscilla



Thank you for your very generous donations! Sister Maria Therese appreciates all you have done for her girls. To contribute online, go to: <https://bannabikirasisterscorp.org> OR mail donation checks to:

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

Make your checks out to **Daughters of Mary** and write **St. Aloysius School** in the memo line. Please include your email address!

\$650 provides a girl in-need with room, board and tuition for a year!

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