

# Twin Parish News

A partnership between St. William, St. Simons Island, GA and St. Joseph, Côtés-de-Fer, Haiti

## You Make Smiles and Learning Possible At St. Joseph's Schools An **Education** Report

The poorest children of St. Joseph parish send a big **THANK YOU** to you for giving them an education. Without your help, Father Faustin says, they would probably not go to school at all.

You provide a **living wage** for their teacher.

You provide all of their **learning supplies**.

You provide a **uniform** to wear.

You provide a **book bag** for the walk to school.

You provide the **desks** they sit in.

And best of all - you provide **lunch** too!

**According to Father Faustin, “many students complete the primary cycle, thanks to your efforts.”**

You also provide tuition for 30 high school students to attend the Catholic school in Côtés-de-Fer.

**(Medical Note: a large head in proportion to the size of the body, as seen here, is a sign of malnutrition.)**



# **You Helped Save a Life at Nativity Chapel** **And Bring Medical Care to 994 Patients** **A Medical Mission Report**

**Thanks to your generosity**, and the selfless devotion of Helping Hugs Medical Mission Team, a record number of patients received care over a five-day visit to Côtes-de-Fer and four neighboring chapels last month. **Thank you for your support and prayers**, which made this another successful mission.

The most **dramatic story** from the trip comes from the Nativity of Our Lady chapel in Mount Blanc. Pictured at right, a woman in severe pain was brought to the clinic and among the first seen because of the severity of her condition.

It was determined that the woman was seriously ill from a fall a month prior, resulting in serious infection.



“Nurse Angella Exiles interprets for Morgan Hooker and Dr. Hanly as they assess the patient.

Dr. Hanley aspirated her knee and she remained under team watch until the end of the clinic. At that time, it was determined that she needed to go to the hospital in Côtes-de-Fer. Having no other option for transportation, Father Faustin drove the woman to the hospital, as her husband cradled her in the back of Father’s truck.



In the arms of her husband, a seriously ill patient is transported to the local hospital by Father Faustin.

After two hospitalizations and surgery, the woman is pictured here, in a cast, recuperating at her home in Mount Blanc.

***Special thanks to Diane Smith, Coordinator of Medical Missions, team members and Father Faustin for the photos and details for this story.***



# Special **Medical Mission** Moments

Photos by Diane Smith, Coordinator of Medical Missions, and Team Members



**A community awaits the services of the medical mission team.**



**A teaching video on hand-washing, the avoidance of parasites, disease prevention and use of medications was shown at the beginning of each clinic.**



**Chris Pope, Pharmacist, gives homespun breathing treatments to a set of twins.**



**Abel, the amazing pharmacy interpreter, instructs patients about the medicines. Patients receive their meds in beautiful bags created by St. William Sew and Sew and the First Baptist Church Dorcas Group.**



**Chris Pope, Pharmacist, reviews the reports of patients seen by Angella Exilus, RN. Angella was recently hired to follow hypertensive patients.**



**The nursing staff enjoy being with the children. Here they are shown visiting with the choir members after Sunday mass.  
Front Row: Teresa Howard and Sandra Powell  
Second Row: Morgan Hooker**



**Medical Mission Team, Father Faustin and Translators, February 2020  
Thank you, all, for your time and talents.**



# Appeal for Spring Shipment

Father Faustin continues to request brass and wind instruments from St. William parish.

When asked why he wants more instruments Father said, "I want to intensify the courses to occupy the young people and the children, in order to fight against juvenile delinquency. I think this is the most powerful weapon to use."

Father currently has 70 students studying music. He needs instruments for 30 to 40 more children. Father plans to show off their talents in a parade on May 18th for the flag festival.



Father Islaire Faustin, Pastor  
St. Joseph Parish



Father would also like  
a drum set and  
two 150 watt amplifiers

Please contact Mary Lynch at  
912-399-6501 or  
[marylynch45@gmail.com](mailto:marylynch45@gmail.com)  
to make your donation.



## Come Join the PACKING PARTY Fun

Thursday, March 19th  
9 a.m. St. William Parish Hall, Room #1  
Meeting and Packing Party of  
**SURVIVAL KITS**  
With The Brunswick Chapter of  
The Links, Inc.