

STA HAITI FUND 2020-21 SUMMARY

2020-21 INCOME:		TOTALS	
General Fund Through Parish - Purple Envelopes and We Share Donations		40,327.38	
January Appeal - Funds donated in response to appeal letter		18,384.00	
School Lunch Program - 731 students served lunches on 160 school days		31,562.61	
Regular lunch funds sent in July and August 2020 because school reopened			
T-Shirt Donations/Coffee		82.00	
Pere Frednel Louis- Funds donated by Haiti Committee members in support of former Haitian pastor		400.00	
St. Luke Social Action Comm. - Funds donated to cover the cost of a second section of Grade 8 students		1,360.00	
St. Thomas Aquinas School - Funds donated by STA students during January Haiti Awareness month		657.50	
Archdiocesan Transfer - Funds transferred from ADLF account with the archdiocese		30,000.00	
2020-21 INCOME TOTAL		92,773.49	
2020-21 EXPENSES:		-	
St. Jean Marie Vianney Catholic Church - Monthly support for parish maintenance		10,424.00	
Belle Rivière Parish School-		34,740.00	
Kindergarten (4 Teachers)	4,520.00		
Kindergarten Housekeeper	550.00		
Grades 1-5 (5 Teachers)	5,650.00		
Grade 6 Teacher	1,202.00		
Primary Principal	1,202.00		
Grades 7-10 (25 Teachers)	10,146.00		
Grades 11-12 (13 Teachers)	5,368.00		
Grade 13 (8 Teachers)	3,500.00		
Secondary Principal	1,202.00		
Director of Discipline	700.00		
Secretary	700.00		
Lhomond Chapel School		9,184.00	
K-Grade 5 (6 Teachers)	6,780.00		
Grade 6 Teacher	1,202.00		
Principal	1,202.00		
Parish School Lunch Program - 448 students plus \$770 for the cook		19,378.00	
Lhomond Chapel School Lunch Program - 137 students		5,504.00	Lunch Program
National School Lunch Program - 146 students		6,488.00	Total
Food for the Poor - This donation yielded \$4,000 worth of beans and rice. Half of the foodstuffs was used for the lunch program		2,000.00	33,370.00
The other half was distributed to families in the community.			
Chapel Directors - Seven directors each received \$15 per month		1,260.00	
Pere Frednel Louis - Haiti Committee members made donations to provide support for former pastor		1,000.00	
Grade 13 Exam Expenses - Funds provided for room and board for 24 students in 2020 and 29 students in 2021		1,240.00	
while students took a week of National Exams in Mirogoâne			
Benches and Masks - Funds provided to meet COVID social-distancing requirements and protocols		1,344.00	
Tires for Parish Truck		580.00	
Repair of School Roof - a severe storm showed that new roof needed to be resealed		804.00	
School Bathroom Construction - Modern flush toilets replaced outhouse for students and teachers		7,322.00	
Medical Clinic Program - Funds provided for two two-day clinic visits each month by a doctor and a dentist and their expenses		7,700.00	
Meds for Belle-Rivière Clinic - Funds for medicines for the Haitian government clinic run by a Haitian nurse, Miss Fatal		2,300.00	
Driver for Medical Clinic		1,100.00	
PTPA & Friends of Belle-Rivière - Sea Container shipping and transportation costs for 203 boxes		3,062.28	
Gift of Water Program Techs - Funds provide monthly stipends for five water techs who monitor and maintain		6,900.00	
1,100 home-based water-filter systems			
5/3 Bank Fees - Wire transfers		558.00	
BUH Fees - Wire transfers		132.00	
Haitian Gov't. Fees - Wire transfers		18.00	
2020-21 EXPENSES		123,038.28	
STA FUND BALANCE 12,391.77 on July 1, 2020		on June 30, 2021	12,106.98 (264.79)
Archdiocesan ADLF 233,725.28 on July 1, 2020			204,809.83
ADLF Interest			1,084.55
Total Balance 246,117.05 on July 1, 2020		on June 30, 2021	216,936.81

STA Parishioners and Friends,

In April STA celebrated the 31st anniversary of the twinning relationship between St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church and St. Jean Marie Vianney Catholic School in Belle-Rivière, Haiti. With the assassination of President Jovenel Moises, the country has entered a period of political uncertainty. The good news is that rural Belle-Rivière is likely to be less impacted by unrest and demonstrations.

Pere Jean Philippe St. Aubin and the teachers and principals are planning for the 2021-22 school year which will begin on September 6. You will note that STA provides \$43,924 in stipends for seventeen K - Grade 6 teachers, twenty-seven Grade 7-13 teachers, three principals and three support staff. The range of stipends for the secondary teachers is \$140 - \$1,440 per year. These teachers are paid for the number of class hours they teach each week. A special thank you goes to the St. Luke Social Action Committee for its generous support of the 2nd section of Grade 8 added last fall because of increased enrollment.

In August 2020 a new medical program was started. Twice a month a doctor and dentist visit Belle-Rivière for two days. Since August Trezel Claudy, MD, and Celindor Luxone, DDS, have seen 1,548 patients at an average cost of \$7.11 per patient.

In January the Gift of Water reviewed the work of the five water techs who monitor and maintain the water-filter systems in 1,100 homes. Each tech received high marks for his work.

The first Grade 13 group of twenty-four students took the National Exams last August and each scored well above average. This speaks well for the work of the teachers and the talent of the students.

The School Lunch Program had its fifteenth year and served 731 students. This spring the 1.5 millionth lunch was served. Although it is not normally done, the regular monthly payments for the lunch program were sent last July and August. Foodstuffs were distributed to families throughout the community in addition to school families.

Fortunately, COVID-19 has not been a factor in Belle-Rivière. School operated fairly normally this past school year. The Grade 9 and Grade 13 students and their teachers are working a little overtime since National Exams were delayed until July. It is not known if they will be further delayed because of the assassination.

Communication through WhatsApp and email has been good. Monthly reports are received from Pere Jean Philippe and the medical program. On May 15 the chapel in Lhomond became the parish of St. Frances de Chantal. The STA Haiti Fund will continue to support the school in this new parish with teacher stipends and the lunch program only through this coming school year. We learned in November that there is an organization from Normandy, France, that has been providing some support for the lunch program and school supplies for the chapel school.

We want to give a special shout out to the students and families of St. Thomas Aquinas School. One group of students sold clothing and donated the proceeds to the Haiti Fund. Many students had a great time learning about Haiti and guessing the number of purple M&Ms in a jar in January. It is great that the students see that our neighbors extend beyond the boundaries of our parish, our neighborhood, our city, our state, and our country.

After a one-year hiatus because of COVID-19, the Sea Container program resumed this spring. On short notice, STA parishioners responded with clothing, school supplies, tools and many other items. With things that had been collected in 2020, a total of 203 boxes were shipped to Belle-Rivière and distributed throughout the B-R community.

Pere Jean Philippe and the people of Belle-Rivière continually express their appreciation for your generosity toward them. STA's programs are making a real difference in the lives of hundreds of people. The STA Haiti Committee also thanks you for your support. Your response since March 2020 and the advent of COVID-19 has been impressive. Hopefully, you can see that your funds are being well used.

The year has brought a greater than average number of memorial donations. Thank you to those who chose to remember their loved ones through gifts to the people of Belle-Rivière.

God bless you! We pray for your continued support.

The STA Haiti Committee