

SISTER PARISH NEWS

Celebrating our Sister Parish in Tanzania, East Africa

St. Luke's Hospital

In the past five years, your support has provided a new x-ray machine, laboratory equipment, an ultra-sound machine, and solar panels for the hospital. We are now in the fourth stage of construction of the St. Elizabeth's Maternity Center.

Clean Water

Because of your support, we were able to purchase 26 water tanks for over 100 families in Bwambo to use for their daily needs and for farming irrigation. This clean water provides not only better health, but is much more time efficient. Our Water 4 Life Project continues, as we hope to raise the funds to purchase 74 more tanks in 2020-21. Give 3-4 families Water 4 Life by purchasing a 5000 liter

water tank for just \$600.

Dr. Mark Druffner, Baraka (x-ray tech), and Fr. Beda installing the new x-ray.



Fr. Samuel, Fr. Josaphat, Fr. Beda

Dear Sister Parish,

We want to thank you for your wonderful support of our parish and mission over the last five years. We could never begin to explain how much you have helped our people not only survive, but thrive! The many prayers that you have prayed for Bwambo Village have given us hope and a feeling of encouragement. The financial support to purchase medical equipment, send some of us to medical and nursing school, help to build our new church, St. John the Baptist, and now, to raise funds for our new grade school, St. John the Baptist Academy is a dream that we never imagined possible! From all of us at Bwambo Mission in Tanzania, we thank you, we pray for you, and we love you!

In Christ, Fr. Beda Kiure, MD & Fr. Josaphat Mklindi, MD

St. John the Baptist Parish & Academy

Our new sister parish, St. John the Baptist was completed in 2019. The parish sits on the very top of the South Pare mountains and is home to 400 parishioners from in and around Bwambo and Ngujini Villages. Here are some quick facts about our new sister parish and school:

- The South Pare Mountains is a mountain range in the Mt. Kilimanjaro region.
- The Pare people are almost all farmers of corn, beans, and ginger. The area is very fertile and green.
- St. John the Baptist Parish has around 400 parishioners.
- SJB Academy, a K-8 School, was founded in 2017 and is adding one class per year. It now has 180 pupils and is expecting 50 more this year.
- The church and school were built by the villagers, using local lumber, granite rocks from the mountain, and local sand. The windows, doors, desks, and pews were made by young men from our St. Joseph's Workshop in Bwambo Village.

Now that the Church is completed, we are raising funds to build three new classrooms and five homes for teachers. Please consider a donation to help offset the cost of this new and very urgent need. The cost of each classroom is \$11,000. Thank you for your continued, generous, and loving support!



Our new sister parish, St. John the Baptist Church



Our new sister school, St. John the Baptist Academy

Donations can be made to St. Francis de Sales, with "Sister Parish" on the memo line or online at www.sfdslg.org

Where there is love, there is Hope!