

We pray with the Church and the world

General Intention: Access to Water: That all peoples may have access to water and other resources needed for daily life.

Missionary Intention: Health Workers: That the Lord may sustain the efforts of health workers assisting the sick and elderly in the world's poorest regions.

Anne Kelly reported recently that there are currently over 5,000 NGOs with United Nations accreditation like ours, namely DPI (Department of Public Information). Remember Anne and her ministry in New York and out in the provinces/regions and pray for all who work for justice at this time of great need.

February 20th is the UN World Day of Social Justice. *Social Justice is more than an ethical imperative; it is a foundation for national stability and global prosperity. Equal opportunity, solidarity and respect for human rights -- these are essential to unlocking the full productive potential of nations and peoples.*

We pray with the Institute

This month we share our insights and understandings of the Constitutions on Formation for Mission with a particular emphasis on Ongoing Formation. *The Spirit of God calls us to close companionship with Jesus in his mission of love to all people. 5.1 So let us, through the bonds of prayer and a commitment to communication (3.3) pray for all throughout our Institute as we pray and reflect together.*

We pray for all our members involved in ministries working against the trafficking of human persons and/or the support of these returning home after being trafficked. In the Mary Ward Week booklet, Day 8 gave an account of a recent conference. Have you been able to engage with the question: *Can you learn more so as to inform your prayer and perhaps become involved in a local group working against trafficking—your potential being union with Christ, Redeemer of the world?*

One Small Voice

Loreto Development Centre Teresa Ball welcomes young girls of 11 to 16 years old who have failed the Certificate of Primary Examinations (CPE). More than half of the girls who come to the Centre are illiterate. Our Centre provides an academic and social formation to these young girls excluded from the educational system of Mauritius. These teenagers come from low-income neighbourhoods around the town of Curepipe. Many of them come from broken families and shelters.

At the Centre they follow a Literacy program after which they are re-instated in normal classes where they follow the CPE syllabus, an essential certificate to get access to even the most basic job. They also develop other skills through arts & crafts, cookery, information & communication technology and physical education.

40 adolescent girls benefited from this grant along with the indirect benefit to their families. The grant money paid the salaries of three teachers throughout 2010.

We pray for the Development Centres in Mauritius



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Let us pray for a just and fair education for all children in Mauritius.

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