

St. Joseph Parish Crescent Springs Annual

2018 Haiti Drive



Goal: To raise \$15,000 for the construction of two water wells and toward a water treatment system for the community of Bas Vaudreuil, Haiti. Convenient access to water supply will significantly improve the health of the 7,000 local residents.

**Donations should be put in an envelope marked St. Joseph Haiti Drive
Make checks out to: St. Joseph Parish with Haiti Drive written on the memo line
Drop off or mail to the parish office or put in the collection basket**

Haiti is the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere. A 60% of the population lives below the poverty line, searching for enough food to eat, clean water to drink and a safe place to live.

Haiti is a bleak place for children. Two-thirds of all Haitian children suffer from malnutrition and 117 of every 1,000 children die before reaching their fifth birthday. Life expectancy is a mere 61 years for men and 66 years for women. Clean water for drinking, cooking and bathing is in short supply, which continues to fuel the spread of various waterborne diseases. With so many families focused merely on survival, many Haitian children never get the chance to receive even a basic education. Haiti's literacy rate is a dismal 61%.

St. Joseph Parish has been working with Food For The Poor for over 21 years with an annual drive to supply funding to help the poorest of the poor. Our parish has made two mission trips, one in 2001 and one in 2013 to see first hand where our donations have gone. Please help by supporting this most worthy cause.

The Outreach Committee would like to honor David & Laura Arlinghaus for their many years of dedicated service and missionary work to the poorest of the poor in Haiti.

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