

Virtual Fair Trade Sale at Mary, Queen of Peace

This year's MQP fair trade sale will be different in two ways from the past. We'll be doing it virtually, due to COVID. We'll also be partnering with our neighbors, St. Joseph Parish in Issaquah and Holy Family Parish in Kirkland.

We will still be able to shop for the fine products we've had in the past from SERRV, a fair trade nonprofit since 1949. SERRV works with artisans and farmers in 25 countries to produce the handcrafted gifts, home décor, fashion, and food items that have delighted us at MQP for over a decade.

You can check out the available products at www.serrv.org .

Here's how our sale will work. We will have a virtual kickoff event of about one half an hour the weekend of Nov. 14/15. Then we can each individually order what we wish using a custom web link to SERRV's catalog. When we use this custom link, 20% of our total sales come back to MQP for transmittal to our sister parish, Our Lady of the Annunciation, in Ghana.

St. Joseph and Holy Family parishes will each have their own custom web link, just as MQP does.

Orders will be shipped to the addresses we choose, either our own address, or those to whom we are sending gifts. SERRV can accommodate multiple recipients. No orders will be shipped to MQP.

Once we have the custom web link, we can use it anytime. However, on the weekend of Nov. 14/15, SERRV is waiving shipping charges!

Standby for more details on the virtual kickoff. We will publicize our custom web link once we receive it.

In the meantime, be sure to browse the SERRV website at www.serrv.org to find just the right gift for just the right person (or treat yourself!). Happy shopping!

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