

# sm SAINT MARGARET PARISH

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## Mass Schedule

**Daily:** Saint Margaret Chapel Monday - Friday: 6:30 am and 8:30 am  
Saturday: 8:30 am  
*Chapel is open for private prayer daily 6:30 am - 5:00 pm*

**Weekend:** Saint Margaret Church Saturday: 4:00 pm and 5:30 pm  
Saint Mary Magdalen Mission Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am and 12:00 pm  
Sunday: 9:30 am and 11:00 am

**Reconciliation:** Saint Margaret Church Saturday: 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm and immediately following the 5:30 pm Mass

## Mass Intentions May 12 - May 19, 2013

Saturday	4:00 pm	Monther's Day Intentions
	5:30 pm	Mother's Day Intentions
Sunday	7:30 am	Mother's Day Intentions
	9:00 am	Mother's Day Intentions
	10:30 am	Mother's Day Intentions
	12:00 pm	Mother's Day Intentions
	9:30 am Mission	Mother's Day Intentions
	11:00 am Mission	Mother's Day Intentions
Monday	6:30 am	Maron Elizabeth Brown
	8:30 am	Sandy Keenan
Tuesday	6:30 am	Grace Sneddon
	8:30 am	Jeanne Cross
Wednesday	6:30 am	Hugh Monahan, Jr.
	8:30 am	Patrick Haggerty
	8:31 am	Donald Langrehr
Thursday	6:30 am	Souls of the family of Thomas D. Noeth, Sr.
	8:30 am	Betty Rigdon
Friday	6:30 am	Eucharistic Service
	8:30 am	Doris Sobus
Saturday	8:30 am	Bernard Michalkiewicz
	4:00 pm	Earl and Dorothy Biller
	5:30 pm	John, Margaret and Robert Wilzack
Sunday	7:30 am	Donald R. Esposito
	9:00 am	Jeffrey Maglov
	10:30 am	Michael Guercio
	12:00 pm	Myrna Druse
	9:30 am Mission	Frank Meadowcroft
	11:00 am Mission	Jerome Jankowiak

**The Parish Office hours:** Monday through Thursday - 9:00 am to 7:30 pm  
Friday - 9:00 am to 4:00 pm



**Nursery Service Available**

For children up to 3 years of age, nursery service is available in the Preschool building (next to the church) during the 9:00 and 10:30 am Masses and during the 4:00 pm Mass on the first Saturday of the month. This service is available at Saint Mary Magdalen during the 9:30 and 11:00 am Masses. Trained staff will care for your children while you attend Mass. This is a free service.

## Readings for May 19, 2013

**Pentecost**  
**Reading I:** Acts 2:1-11  
**Reading II:** 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13  
**Gospel:** John 20:19-23  
**Key Passage:** Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord. 1 Corinthians 12:4-5  
**Adult:** What gift of service have you received from the Holy Spirit and how well are you using it right now?  
**Child:** What gift do you hope to receive from the Holy Spirit? How could you use it to serve others?

**Gifts for service**  
Descent of the Holy Spirit  
Many gifts, one Spirit, and the analogy of the body  
Appearance to the disciples

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# SAINT MARGARET PARISH

*Seeking a world transformed and unified in Christ*

Saint Margaret Church

Bulletin for the week of May 12, 2013

Saint Mary Magdalen Mission

## Welcome To Everyone

Welcome to all who attended Mass today, especially those who are guests and those who have traveled distances to be here. Thank you for celebrating with us. May God's blessings be with you always.

## Breaking News

### Play It Forward -

Our next gathering will take place on Monday, May 13 from 10:00 - 11:30 am in the Adult Education Center. Come enjoy coffee, goodies and simple games with people of "different" abilities. No skills needed - only a smile and a willing heart!



## Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations

Tuesday, May 14 after the 8:30 am Mass until 6:00 pm in Saint Margaret Chapel. All are welcome.

## Widow and Widowers

The Widows and Widowers group will have their last meeting before the summer break on Tuesday the 14th. We will meet at The Grand Buffet in the Festival shopping center at 12:30 pm. We hope you will be able to join us. Please call Fran Kirchner at 410-557-9732 so she will be able to get a head count. Looking forward to seeing you there.

## Welcome

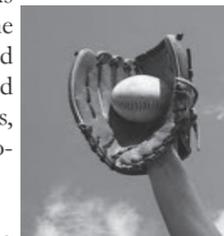
Reese Lauren Bonitz  
Addison Kathleen Estes  
Nathan Endy Lindauer  
Carson Peter Sullivan  
Cooper Francis Sullivan



who were baptized last weekend into the Saint Margaret parish community. May they continue to receive God's blessings and grace.

## Catch the Spirit !!! 3

Have you checked out the spirited fans at a Ravens or Orioles game lately? Talk about *conscious, active and full participation!* And this *spirit* doesn't end when they leave the stadiums (or the couch). The game is replayed and rehashed over and over with friends, neighbors and associates.



Is this comparing our Mass to a sporting event? Absolutely not! But, what if our celebration of the Mass took on that same level of involvement? That same zeal, fierceness and intensity. It could! And it should! Because we have the ultimate SPIRIT guiding us.

We celebrate our **HOLY SPIRIT** next Sunday - **Pentecost**.

There came "a noise like a strong driving wind . . . there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in different tongues, as the **Spirit enabled them to proclaim.**" (Acts 2:2-4)

Father Mike has said in the past that Pentecost was truly the Birth Day of our

## Liturgy

Corner

Church. Jesus had just ascended into Heaven and the disciples hadn't yet begun their ministry. Perhaps they were feeling a bit at sea - worried about how they might be received without Jesus with them. *Then* the power of the Holy Spirit was unleashed upon these disciples. Led by the Spirit of God they proceeded to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ to every nation. They became animated witnesses to the mighty acts of God -- *conscious, full, active participants!*

Next week the church will be prepared to celebrate our Birth Day. There'll be red - the Holy Spirit's color - everywhere. Red oil lamps, representing the tongues of fire - red banners - red accents in the flowers. Perhaps we could prepare ourselves for the big day as well. Check out the readings ahead of time (listed on the back cover of today's bulletin) to prepare ourselves for that conversation with God. Maybe wear something red to show our SPIRIT in the Lord. Let's get ourselves ready to . . .



Catch the Spirit!

*Who can find a woman of worth?  
Far beyond jewels is her value.  
Her children rise up and call her blessed;  
her husband, too, praises her:  
"Many are the women of proven worth,  
but you have excelled them all."  
Charm is deceptive and beauty fleeting;  
the woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.  
Acclaim her for the work of her hands,  
and let her deeds praise her at the city gates. Proverbs 31:10, 28-31*





Please join

**Rev. Francis X. Callahan**

as he celebrates his  
Fiftieth Anniversary of  
Ordination to the Priesthood  
**Saturday, May 25**  
Mass at 11:00 am  
Saint Mary Magdalen Mission  
1716 Churchville Road ~ Bel Air

Reception immediately following

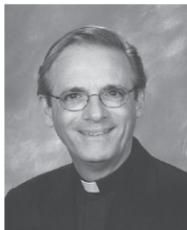
RSVP by May 17  
to 410-879-2670 or  
karensaccenti@gmail.com



On Tuesday, May 14th at 6:30 pm in the Callahan Center, Cpl. Keith Thomas will conduct a presentation with an opportunity to answer questions on Internet safety. Corporal Keith Thomas of the Maryland State Police is a member of the Computer Crimes Unit. The unit's mission is to conduct thorough investigations into the technology-facilitated exploitation of children and provide technical and investigative assistance to other divisions in the department and allied agencies. The goal is to increase Maryland's law enforcement capacity to investigate crimes against children by providing specialized training in investigative techniques. Probably the most important aspect of their mission statement is to educate the general public on current issues relating to Internet safety.

Our presenter, Corporal Thomas, speaks to students, parents, child abuse prevention professionals, law enforcement organizations, etc. throughout the state on Internet safety. In 2012, he presented to law enforcement and prosecutors on social media issues at the 2012 Governor's Criminal Justice Training Conference. He also has recently presented at the 2012 Mid-Atlantic Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect. This important presentation is open to members of the parish and school communities. Please mark your calendars!

## From Father Mike



Dear Friends,  
**This Sunday May 12 we celebrate Mother's Day.** The background of this day is interesting.

**Back in the 1870s and 1880s, there were various local observances honoring our mothers in the United States.** Then, in the early 1900s, an American woman named Anna Jarvis began advocating for a national Mother's Day. The first observance of such a day seems to have been in 1908. However, it was not until 1914 that the United States Congress passed a law and President Woodrow Wilson signed a declaration making the second Sunday of May Mother's Day throughout our country.

**I find it interesting and noteworthy that the apostrophe in the title of this day was a big issue.** Anna Jarvis insisted that the title be in the singular with an apostrophe before the "s" – Mother's. The idea was to encourage each person and each family to honor its own mother. That detail helps us to be aware that this is to be a personal day, and not just a collective, national observance.

**By the way, there are days honoring mothers in many other countries and cultures – for example, in Europe, South America, and Asia.** Some of these observances have local religious or cultural roots, and many of them have been influenced by our American practice. Obviously, this custom is a wonderful expression of our Catholic or Christian value of the role of motherhood and family.

**I hope many of you will be able to celebrate with your mother today.** I hope all of us can at least remember our mother in prayer. What follows is a prayer for our mothers that we might find appropriate today especially.

*Gracious God,  
through Mary, the Mother of Jesus,  
the Mother of your Son,  
You have made holy the role of motherhood.*

*Bless all mothers today.  
As they have given life to their children,  
so may they rejoice in the life and love of God.  
As they have carried their children within their womb,  
so may they feel the closeness of God within.  
As they have nurtured their children with care and comfort,  
so may the Word of God nurture them to true spiritual maturity.*

*Gracious God,  
bless all women today.  
Enlighten them with wisdom.  
Warm them with sensitivity.*

*Finally, bless all of our mothers  
who have passed on from this earth.  
May they, who have fed and nourished their children,  
now find a place at your eternal banquet in heaven.*

*We offer this blessing  
in the name of the Father  
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.*

Happy Mother's Day!

*Father Mike*

*"I like being Catholic because, like a batting average, it sets a standard by which I can measure myself."*

*Babe Ruth*



### Bulletin Due Date and New Address

Information is due by 10:00 am on Monday for the following Sunday. If Monday is a holiday, items should be submitted the previous Friday. Please include name and contact information and fax to 410-879-2518 or e-mail bulletinsaintmargaret@gmail.com.

## Food Pantry



**Needs**

*Lord, open my eyes to those who are hurting and in need of food.*

Remember the power of **1**  
**1** person, **1** food item, **1** Mass

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# Parish Notes ...



## Marriage Moments

“When a woman is in labor, she has pain, because her hour has come. But when her child is born, she no longer remembers the anguish because of the joy of having brought a human being into the world.” (John 16.21) What a difference a day makes. © Susan Vogt

## Cooperative Food Ministry

On Monday, May 20, Saint Margaret will be serving dinner to the homeless and needy at Calvary Baptist Church. If you would like to make a dessert, please drop it off at the parish office by 3:00 pm on May 20. Thank you for your generosity.

## Eucharistic Adoration

All have the opportunity to spend some special time with our Lord in Eucharist Adoration every Tuesday from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm in the chapel. At 6:00 pm, Benediction is held to repose the Blessed Sacrament. This is a wonderful opportunity to ask our Lord in quietude to hear our petitions, grant our requests and accept our prayers of gratitude for favors rendered. Please direct questions to Gene Goeller at 410-838-0445.

## In Need of First Eucharist Apparel?

The parish office has a number of clothing items available for your child making his or her First Eucharist. Please call the parish office at 410-838-6969 if you are interested.

- White dress (new), size 8
- White dress vintage, size 8
- Two veils
- Two shirts, size 7
- Navy blue sport coat size 7R
- Navy blue suit, size 7R
- Two navy blue sport coats, size 10
- Boy's black shoes, Size 3 1/2
- Two First Eucharist ties



If you are in need of additional accessories, gifts or other religious articles, you may want to stop by Mary's Garden Catholic Books and Gifts on Bond Street in Bel Air for a wonderful selection.

## Outreach Notes

For more information, contact Jane O'Hara at 410-838-6969/410-879-2670, ext. 143 e-mail [johara@stmargaret.org](mailto:johara@stmargaret.org).

*Saint Margaret has a tradition of community service and outreach. We extend a warm and cordial invitation to all and hope you find our parish a welcoming community of faith.*

## Cottage Thrift Shop

“Ask and you shall receive” and receive we did! The response to our request for toddler boys clothing was overwhelming. Donations, especially new donations, to our clothing needs has given us a good supply of toddler boys' clothing that will last us into next summer. Thank you from all the volunteers at the Cottage Thrift Shop.



## Prayer Shawl Ministry

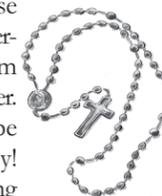
Tuesday, May 14  
9:30 - 11:00 am

This group of knitters and crocheters will meet in the Adult Education Center to make prayer shawls for individuals who may be ill or in a care facility. You do not need to know how to crochet or knit. Group members are glad to teach those interested in learning these skills. Join us for friendly fellowship and a chance to make a warm difference for those who are sick or in need.



## Project Rosary

As May is the month of Mary, what better way to celebrate than by coming to this gathering and help make rosaries for missionaries in Belize. Please come to this informal gathering Friday, May 17, at 1:00 pm in the Adult Education Center. Light refreshments will be served. No skills necessary! All supplies and training provided!



## Bike 2 Work Day

Friday, May 17, from 7:00 - 9:00 am at the Harford County Office Building Parking Lot (220 S. Main Street). Register at [Bike2@WorkCentralMD.com](http://Bike2@WorkCentralMD.com) as a part of the Saint Margaret Team. Entrance is free but you must register. You will receive a free hat, on-the-go snacks and a chance for prizes.

## Substance Abuse Ministry

**HEALING RECOVERY PREVENTION PEACE** If you or a loved one is struggling with substance issues, please come to one of the weekly meetings on our campus.

- Mondays, 7:00 pm - Families Anonymous
- Fridays, 7:00 pm - Alcoholics Anonymous
- Saturdays, 7:30 pm - Women for Sobriety
- Sundays, 6:00 pm - Narcotics Anonymous
- Sundays, 8:00 pm - Alcoholics Anonymous

## Health Ministry

How many of these emotions experienced by Mary, the Mother of God, sound familiar to moms of today: joy, sadness, pride, heartache, stress, happiness? Probably all of them! With that in mind, moms should remember that they can turn to Mary for advocacy as well as for inspiration and guidance. Be sure to include Mary as a member of your support network. For additional resources related to the health and wellness of being a mother, contact the Health Ministry Team by sending an email to [saintmhealthministry@stmargaret.org](mailto:saintmhealthministry@stmargaret.org).



## Christian Initiation for Children

(CIC) is the equivalent of the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). The CIC program is offered to children and teens ages 10 – 18 who are new in learning about the Catholic faith. These students may have been baptized in another Christian faith tradition or have the desire to be baptized Catholic. It is also for students who have been baptized Catholic and are longing for an understanding of their faith or may be behind on receiving the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Eucharist. After completing the CIC program, the children are brought up-to-date with their sacraments and encouraged to participate in the parish's faith formation program at their appropriate age level. The CIC sessions include an overview of the basic beliefs and teachings of the Catholic Church as well as sacramental preparation. Summer sessions start in June.

## Want to Simplify Your Financial Life?

Consider using our electronic funds transfer program. Forms are available at the doors of the church and the Callahan Center, in the parish office and also on the parish website, [www.stmargaret.org](http://www.stmargaret.org) and click on the "Stewardship" tab.

## Ironbirds Game and Crab Feast

Please join us for our annual outing to Ripken Stadium on Sat., August 24 at 7:05 pm. All-you-can-eat steamed crabs, hot dogs, hamburgers, corn on the cob and non-alcoholic beverages for 2 hours or through the 7th inning, game ticket, Ironbirds cap and fireworks. We will all be seated together in the Party Pavilion down the first base side. The cost is \$43.50 per person. Price for adults and children not eating crabs is \$21.50. Please call the parish office to reserve your spot.



## St. Anthony's Reunion & Dance

Saturday, May 18, from 6:00 to 11:00 pm at the Parkville American Legion Hall. Tickets are \$45 per person. For reservation please call 252-808-5351.



## Adult Faith Notes

Marie Dekowski  
410-879-2670, ext. 126  
[mdekowski@stmargaret.org](mailto:mdekowski@stmargaret.org)

### Faith Forum with Fr. Mike

Sunday, May 19, from 1:00 to 2:30 pm in the Adult Education Center. This Faith Forum with our pastor, Msgr. G. Michael Schlepner, will focus on Michael Leach's book, "Why Stay Catholic?" and include an opportunity to freely ask questions pertaining to our Catholic faith.

### "Being Catholic Is... 50 Years of Vatican II"

In this adult education series, we will review the history, importance and effects of the Second Vatican Council. After placing the Council in its proper historical context, we will examine the 16 documents that were promulgated. We will discuss how these documents have shaped the life of the Church for the past 50 years and speculate on what they mean for the future of the Catholic Church and of Christianity as a whole. Our final session, The Church in the Modern World, will be presented by Dr. Joanne Cahoon at Saint John the Evangelist Church in Hydes on Thursday, May 16, 7:00 to 8:30 pm.

### Flip Flops and Faith

Join us this summer for conversations about our faith in a welcoming and casual environment. All gatherings will be held in the Adult Education Center from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. For more information and to register, please contact Marie Dekowski.

June 5 Spirituality: "What's the Buzz?"

June 12 Who is Jesus?

June 19 Do We Need the Spirit?

June 26 Can I Accept God's Mercy?

July 10 Can Mass Make My Life Meaningful?

July 17 The Church and Me



### College Ministry

Social, Serving Others, Spiritual. Looking for something to do on Wednesday nights this summer? Stay connected to your faith and your community with weekly social/service and faith sharing events! Come to our Kick-Off Event on Wednesday, June 12, 7:00 -9:00 pm at FiRE House (329 Wright Street) – food, fun & fellowship!

## Youth Ministry

Kristin Rupprecht  
Youth and Young Adult Minister  
410-879-2670, ext 166  
[krupprecht@stmargaret.org](mailto:krupprecht@stmargaret.org)

### High School Youth Ministry (HSYM) FiRE House



#### FiRE House Schedule

FiRE House is open for high school students Mondays and Thursdays after school, 3:00 - 5:00 pm. Just want to chill for a while after school? It's a great place to meet up with your friends before you go home.

#### "Faith on Fire"

Faith sharing for 11th & 12th graders. We meet each Monday at FiRE House, 5:00-6:30 pm and dinner is provided. Come join us!

#### High School Hangout Nights!

Every Tuesday, 7:00 - 9:30 pm. Come join us - movies, games, fun!

### Attention 9th Grade Parents: Confirmation Meeting

It's time to start to think about Confirmation for your children. Please plan to attend the required parent/candidate information meeting. The meeting will be offered in the Callahan Center three times, but you only need to attend once. Options are:

Monday, May 13, 6:30 – 8:30 pm OR

Wednesday, May 15, 6:30 - 8:30 pm OR

Sunday, May 19, 2:00 – 4:00 pm

In early April, all 9th grade parents in our database were e-mailed registration forms and other necessary information to bring to the meeting. Reminder: Any student looking to register for Confirmation in the 10th grade year must have been enrolled in either Catholic school or a Catholic faith formation program during the 9th grade year. Call Kristin Rupprecht at 410-879-2670, ext. 166.

### Service Camp

Open to middle and high school students, June 17, 18 and 19, 9:00 am-3:00 pm. We will visit various local sites for service and learn about Catholic social teaching. Cost is \$45. To register, contact Kristin in the parish office. Registration deadline is June 1.

### Hersheypark Trip

Thursday, June 20. Open to everyone! Bring the family! Those not in at least 6th grade for the 2012/2013 school year must be accompanied by an adult. Cost: \$58/person (includes bus transportation & park ticket). Permission forms are available in the parish office. Call Kristin Rupprecht for more information.



## Faith Formation

410-879-2670/410-838-6969  
**Preschool and Elementary**  
Keri Geibler, [kgeibler@stmargaret.org](mailto:kgeibler@stmargaret.org)  
**Middle and High School**  
CeeCee Meholic



### Home Study Assignments Due Now

Attention Faith Formation students in our Home Study programs, grades K-9: **All assignments are now due to the parish office.** This includes completed books, completed worksheets and the completed Family Life unit. We look forward to reviewing all of your hard work!

### Register For Next Year

Faith Formation registration forms for next year are now available on our website [www.stmargaret.org](http://www.stmargaret.org). The deadline for the reduced tuition rate is July 19.



### Children's Stewardship of Time

My good deed this week was: I put the dishes in the dishwasher. I played a game with my brother. Children's envelopes are available near the doors of the church and the Callahan Center and in the parish office.

## Saint Margaret School

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and [pfederowicz@smsch.org](mailto:pfederowicz@smsch.org)  
Admissions: [cpleiss@smsch.org](mailto:cpleiss@smsch.org)

### Important Dates for May

May 13 Band; Race for Education (rain date)

May 14 Hot Lunch; MS Shadow Day 5D;

Field Trip, Gr. 4 Living Classroom; School

Board Mtg. POOR 4:30PM; Internet Safety Mtg. Callahan Center 7pm

May 15 Mass; MS Shadow Day 5K;

Field Trip, Gr. 4 Living Classroom

May 16 Hot Lunch; Flynn & O'Hara Uniform Fitting 8:30 am-12 pm

May 17 Gr. 1 "Mother Wilja" Play 1:00 pm

in ES Gym; Field Trip, Gr. 5 Philadelphia

7:15 am - 3:30 pm; Student Council-

Out-of-uniform for Camp St. Vincent

# Education Notes ...

### Register for Vacation Bible School (VBS) Now!



Registration forms are now available on the website [www.stmargaret.org](http://www.stmargaret.org) under Vacation Bible Camp. **Complete and return to the parish office by May 31.**

### Volunteers Needed For VBS



Teachers and volunteers are needed for Vacation Bible School. High school students are encouraged to help with this program. Earn service hours and have a blast at the same time! Please contact Keri Geibler if you are available to help during June 24 – June 28.

### New 9th Grade Faith Formation Program Announced:

Ignite is a four-day adventure in Faith Formation for incoming 9th grade students. It will be held Monday, August 5 through Thursday, August 8 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm daily. It will fulfill your 9th grade Faith Formation requirement along with the four Large Group sessions held throughout the school year. See more details in the registration packets. **Registration deadline for this program is July 1. NO EXCEPTIONS!**



### Middle & High School Faith Formation End-of-Year Gifts

If you missed the last class of the year, but would still like to pick up your end-of-year inspirational coin and/or dog tags, please stop by the Parish Office.

### News from the Admissions Office

Thanks to all of our school families who participated in our new Finder's Fee referral program by introducing your friends and neighbors to our wonderful school! We gave away \$3400 in tuition credits and welcomed six new families for a total of 18 new students. You can help us to continue to build our enrollment by spreading the word that Saint Margaret School currently is accepting applications for the 2013-2014 School Year. We still have available spaces for next school year—very limited spaces available in preschool. Interested parents should call or e-mail Admissions Director Cecilia Pleiss 410-879-1113 or [cpleiss@smsch.org](mailto:cpleiss@smsch.org) to find out grade-specific information.

### Summer Reading Programs

On Friday, May 17, a representative from the Harford County Public Library will visit and talk with the middle school students about their summer reading programs, new books for the summer and other opportunities.

### Camp St. Vincent

On Friday, May 17 Saint Margaret students will participate in an out-of-uniform day for Camp St. Vincent. The cost will be \$2.

### Haiti Thank You

It is with great joy that I report to you that the annual Haiti fundraising project to our sister school, St. Rose of Lima, was extremely successful. We raised \$20,882.44 this year. It is a wonderful testimony to your generosity and support for this worthy cause. Seventy-two families/groups are sponsoring children for the next school year. The children had out-of-uniform days, Penny Wars, Haiti Bingo, and bought Haitian art.

God bless you and thank you so much for all that you have done and continue to do in the spirit of love and compassion--seeking to bring peace through justice in God's kingdom.

Carol Dells

