



Jamaica



Sr. Beverly Lawton, FMS at St. Annie's Parish

The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has triggered social crises to many in every country. And among the most affected is the vulnerable; comprise of children, adults and elders who live at the margins of society. As a response to the situation to assist most inner city residents at St. Annie's parish which comes under our care in West Kingston, the Jesuits of Jamaica have embarked on an initiative during the month of September to cook and deliver food to those in need.

The feeding programme activity functions twice a week Mondays and Wednesdays at the church's premises in collaboration with Sister Beverly, a Jamaican Franciscan Nun. During the initial days of September 125 boxes of cooked food were delivered to children, adults and elders. Subsequently, as the news spread in the area the number has increased reaching 150 recipients at present. The distribution process of food to the beneficiaries follows the pandemic precautions of social distancing, wearing of masks and hand sanitizing.

-Medino Abraham



Interior Guyana

Amidst lockdown and uncertainties, people in the interior continue to find God's love and hope. People have realized that this pandemic has a message to the whole world. This Pandemic has brought communities together. This pandemic has helped us to realize how fragile we are as humans and how we could become responsible for our own brothers and sisters. In the face of this pandemic, the Jesuit community in the interior continues to give hope to people who are in need through our pastoral and our involvement in education. We continue to reach out to the pastoral needs of the people through the media. JWL online learning has provided opportunities for teachers and young students to pursue their studies. We continue to help people realize that God loves us. God does not leave us alone but he walks with us especially in this time of the pandemic. He continues to reveal his love through his son Jesus who has called each one of us to share this message of love and hope.



JWL Students in their class

- Edwin Antony



Smoke, Studies and the Season of Creation

Reading the signs of the times was one of the most prophetic invitations of Vatican II. Inhaling smoke while walking or sleeping is certainly a sign of the times in California these days. Wildfires have been raging for the past month and many people have been affected. The loss to the ecosystem is incalculable.



I have been bringing this sign of environmental degradation to my prayer during this season of creation and during a time when political and ethnic tensions are flaring across the world. How can we heal a broken world? Carefully putting faith in dialogue with these signs is the goal of my studies currently. Appreciating the beauty of each person and of the natural world is constantly in my prayer. Beauty often leads to compassion and this seems like a useful antidote to the palpable apathy of the world.
+Ora Pro Nobis

Wildfires in California

-Joel Thompson



Pray for our brothers on their Birthdays

