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Salvador Dalí's "The Sacrament of the Last Supper." Jesus, the Rising Sun of Easter, is the bridge between us on Earth and the departed already in Heaven. Through the celebration of the Mass. "They recognized Him at the breaking of the bread."

Remembering our departed: "In Love, we are all united"

"Just as Jesus has died and has risen again, so through Jesus God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. And as in Adam all die, so also in Christ will all be brought to life." (from the Letters of Saint Paul)

Dear Friends,

November 1st is All Saints Day! November 2nd is All Souls Day! Traditional days to remember and celebrate the life of the Dead. We do this in the Spirit of Jesus. Maybe with lot of tears and sadness because we miss them so much, but with peace of heart, because "in Love, we are all united". At Mass, we remember and celebrate Jesus and our beloved departed, parents, children, family, friends, benefactors. Everyday, the Missionaries of Africa celebrate their memory.

All year long, our Development Office receive

your Mass requests. Your prayer intentions are forwarded to our Missionaries in Africa, where we live and serve in the Lord's field. These offerings help to sustain the daily life of our Missionaries.

Here are two prayers for All Souls Day:

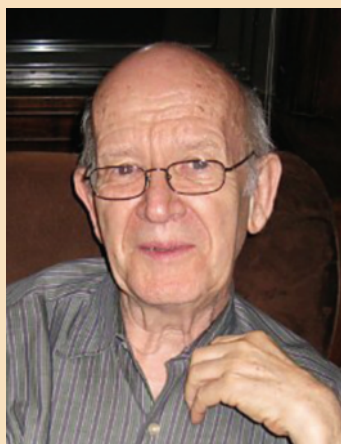
"Look favorably on our offerings, O Lord our God, so that your departed servants may be taken up into glory with your Son Jesus, in whose great mystery of love we are all united."

"Grant we pray, O Lord our God, that your departed servants, for whom we celebrate this paschal Sacrament, may pass over to a dwelling place of light and peace."

In Faith, Hope and Love, we are all united in prayer.

From The Roman Missal

*Photo by MAfr at the National Gallery of Art,
Washington DC •*



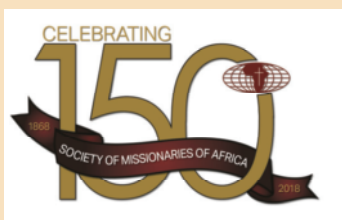
Photos: MAfr

Remembering!

We remember two of the Missionaries of Africa, MAfr, who contributed to the life of our Development Office

Fr. John Lynch, MAfr, 1936-2017, was born in Newmills, Fife, Scotland and became a MAfr after his years of training in Great-Britain, Ireland, The Netherlands and Tunisia. He was sent to the United States in 1972, where he served in Chicago, Washington DC and St. Petersburg, Fl. He was a pillar of the Africa Faith and Justice Network. As Provincial and Treasurer of the US Province, he was on the Board of our Development Office. We remember him!

Fr. Joseph (Sjef) Donders, MAfr, 1929-2013, born in Tilburg, Netherland. Philosopher, theologian, journalist, writer, he was internationally known. In Africa, Asia, Australia, Europe. After his training years in Scotland and Rome, he was sent to teach at the Catholic University in Nairobi, Kenya. In 1984, Fr. Sjef moved to Washington DC as the First Director of Africa Faith and Justice Network and became a renowned professor of Missiology/Anthropology at the Catholic University. He was a regular contributor to Africa Report. He used to say: "Mind you! I live a very interesting life!" We remember him!



One of the Missionaries who receive the Mass Offerings is **Fr. William Moroney, MAfr**, from Chicago, IL. (above, 5th from left). "Still in Africa! Still going strong..." After his training years in the USA and in Tunisia, William Moroney, committed himself for life in 1961, to the service of the Peoples of Africa. He has served mostly in Tanzania and Kenya. He was at one time the Leader (Provincial Superior) of the Missionaries of Africa in the United States. The Staff of our Development Office was under his responsibility. Bill is now part of a team of five Missionaries working in Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania, in charge of a Parish and of a house where some of our future missionaries are trained.

On the picture above, we see Fr. Bill with some younger "confreres". About 500 members of our Society are currently serving in 24 countries of Africa. Moreover, we are blessed with 500 "seminarians" in training, young men in their 20s, who are introduced to Philosophy (3 years), to Spiritual discernment (one year), and to Theology (4 years). They also do "apostolic training" in different mission fields for two years before committing themselves for life. Since our foundation in Algiers, in 1869, we are "disciples and apostles of Jesus Christ"! •

“Moving from sleeping on the floor to beds”



Report for Project : Purchase of beds

August 8, 2018

Dear Director of The Missionaries of Africa Development Office,

On behalf of School Management Committee of St. Francis Xavier Primary School, allow me to take this opportunity to thank you for the financial support received for **the purchase of Metallic Double Decker Beds**. We are very grateful to the Missionaries of Africa in the Development Office for this great support to “poor village girls” from the rural area of Kakore, Uganda, in the Diocese of Kabale. The pupils now sleep comfortably. They are so excited and happy for a great change in their lives and school life. Moving from sleeping on the floor to beds was another level for them. Thank you for loving the children of Kakore. Thank you for loving the needy and having a generous heart to render a helping hand. The girl child is happy, she will read and concentrate on her books without interference. I am optimistic that next year 2019, there will be an increase in the population of the pupils in school, especially in boarding section, since we have improved accommodation facilities. Currently the school has a population of 426 pupils.

Once again, allow me to thank you, Missionaries of Africa, the Director Mr. Denis P. Pringle, the Treasurer in Uganda, Fr. Elias Mwebembezi, MAfr, for your great support.

Yours faithfully,
Sr. Consolata Orishaba

Photos: Daughters of our Lady of Fatima, Kabale, Uganda



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