

St. Teresa of Avila Parish & St. Rose of Lima Chapel, Palmary, Haiti



Spring 2012
Left: Villagers carry stones for the worksite.

Below: St. Rose of Lima foundation and structure.

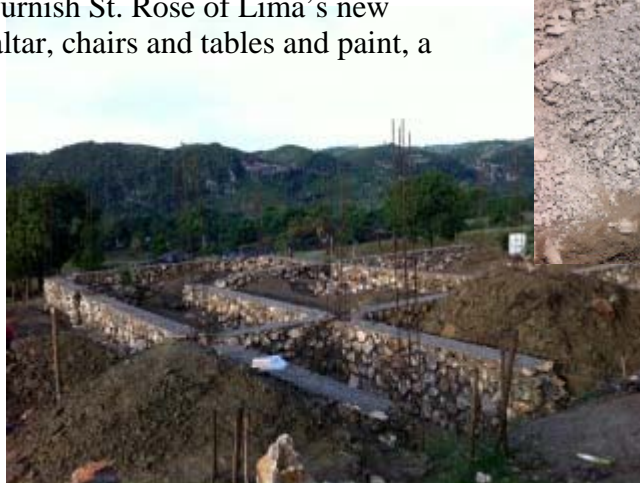


Sixteen St. Teresa of Avila parishioners met in April 2012 to discuss the parish's involvement in the future of its involvement in helping the poor of Haiti. Building on the current interest in Haiti and St. Teresa's work there, it is hoped that a forum could be held in which Haiti, its culture and the work of the Church among the Haitian poor would be highlighted.

To foster ideas for future projects, team members will be contacting other parishes in the Chicago area which have fostered their own projects in Haiti.

As an initial project, team members propose helping to furnish St. Rose of Lima's new chapel, with an altar, chairs and tables and paint, a

budget of around \$10,000. It is anticipated that the chapel will be finished and consecrated in early December. The possibility of interested parishioners traveling to Haiti for that consecration and to gather information for future involvement was also dis-



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Dedication of St. Rose of Lima Chapel in Palmary, Haiti by Monsignor St. Hillien, the bishop of Hinche



From Left to right: Jean Pierre JAHIER (ZLP) (Chapel design and construction), Alyssa Fiala, leader of St Teresa Social Justice committee, Christine and Patrick Murray, founders of ZLP & St Teresa parishioners, Dorothy Keane, head of St. Teresa Haiti team, Philippe Pécout ZLP treasurer.

Fr. Frank Walks the Camino for Fresh Water to Haiti



In this country, we take so many things for granted. It is difficult for us to imagine living our lives without sufficient clean water. When we want water, all we have to do is turn on the faucet. Imagine a poor country like Haiti where 40 percent of its 10 million people do not have access to a dependable supply of clean-water,

where the walk to the faucet is an average of 8.1 km away...try to imagine walking an average 16.2 km per day (10 miles) for water.

At the end of September 2012, Fr. Frank, began a 500 mile walk across Spain to raise money to build wells that provide fresh water to the people of Haiti. Fr. Frank's goal was to raise \$20,000 for Haiti; this money will be



Artist sketch of the proposed well.

used to build wells to provide clean and accessible water.

Based on generous donations from the parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila Parish and Sacred Heart Parish of Lombard, but also readers of

the Catholic New World from all over the Archdiocese, Fr. Frank reached his goal of \$20,000. Work on the wells in Haiti is set to begin soon!

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