

"Littlest Angels" of Haiti Lent 2022



Providing Nutrition to St. Claire School Children and Partnering with Them through Prayer



Fact #1: 10 times as many children in Haiti, compared to the USA, die before their fifth birthday.

Without childhood vaccination, living in poor sanitary conditions and especially because of malnutrition, many of Haiti's youngest children die from PREVENTABLE diseases that their weak bodies cannot fight.

Fact #2: Proper nutrition helps children fight disease and increases their ability to learn.

Children who are hungry do not have the energy to learn. If we can feed these children at such a critical age, we can give them the chance to grow up healthy and attend school. Education is the key to breaking the cycle of poverty!

Fact #3: There are over 835 school children in St. Claire.

St. Ann Parish has a well established partnership with St. Claire Parish in Dessalines, Haiti. Over the years, we have promoted education and nutrition in this poor rural community. Without our assistance, St. Claire Parish does not have the financial resources to provide more than an occasional meal to the students in its schools. Since 2007, thanks to the generosity of parishioners and friends who participate in the "Littlest Angels" program, we have been able to feed those children every school day and give them a chance at a healthy life.



WE CAN HELP

\$80 feeds a child for the entire school year

St. Ann parishioners have the opportunity to support the nutrition program for the students of St. Claire Parish and to pray for these "Littlest Angels" during this Lenten season and beyond. Consider supporting one or more children or participating in the program at a level at which you feel comfortable. For your convenience, envelopes are available in the pews and in the parish office. **Donations may also be given electronically at <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1487/Home/NewQuickGive> Select Haiti Littlest Angels as the fund.** All parishioners are asked to keep these "Littlest Angels" in their prayers. It is our hope that the prayerful component of this partnership will bring us closer to God and to our brothers and sisters in Haiti. We trust that this year again, your generosity will allow the Littlest Angels to receive the nutrition that they so desperately need. All funds in excess of our targeted amount will be used for the feeding, education and welfare of the children of St. Claire.

***Please know that 100% of your donation benefits the children.
There are NO overhead or administrative costs.***

"Littlest Angels" Prayer

Lord, we have heard your call to help the littlest children of St. Claire Parish in Haiti. May they always have food to nourish their bodies and minds, health to keep them strong, love to care for one another and faith to survive the everyday struggles they face. Jesus, keep these and all children, close to your heart. We thank you for the blessings you have given us and we ask in your name that our prayers be heard for these most vulnerable of your angels.

Amen.

