

SISTER PARISH: ST. GABRIEL, BALACLAVA, JAMAICA

TIMELINE & HISTORY

Trip Date	Balaclava Pastor	Kansas City Delegation	Trip activities
June 2-7, 1996	Fr. Joe	Fr. Denis and Sr. Angela	. Sr. Connie was at the Bosco home. They stayed at the Mandeville diocesan retreat house. Abbot James from Conception Abbey was friends with Bishop Boyle in Jamaica, so when Fr. Denis inquired about finding a sister-parish for St. Gabriel KC parish. Spent time at St. John's orphanage, and made home-visits. Visited classrooms at Bull Savannah. Attended Bishop Boyle's lectures on black saints. Visited St. Paul of the Cross HS and St. Theresa Basic School.
1998	Fr. Samy Deacon Tony Hall, Br. Joseph Kimani (later ordained)	Fr. Denis, Joe & Pat Spahn, Tom & Connie Clossick, John & Katherine	Installed kitchen cabinets in the guest house at St. John Bosco. Did repairs in Balaclava: 2x4s on bottom of pews that had been eaten by termites. Private dinner with Bishop Boyle in Mandeville at bishop's residence. Home Visits, YS Falls, and a dinner trip to Little Ochi's.
1999	Fr. Samy	John & Katherine	Visited the markets in Balaclava. Home Visits. Religious Education was the main purpose of the trip. John M. wrote article for Catholic Key.
August 2000	Fr. Samy	John & Katherine, Al & Phyllis Vitous, Fr. Karl	Painted the floor of the church. Home Visits. Paint and minor repairs at Mary Help of Christian Home. Visit members at Mount Pleasant. Visit John Bosco, Marian Shrine at Dunsiane, Painted Fr.'s house. Dinner at Spur Tree Jerk Centre. Dinner at Little Ochi. Fr. Samy's chicken production doing well: many chicks. Replaced screens on Fr.'s house. Talent show production as a farewell on the last night. Visited Appleton Rum Factory. Did kids stay in Maggoty this year or not go at all. Front flap of photo album: documents about Catholic Schools and papal writings pertaining to Jamaica.
October 2000	Fr. Samy and Tony Hall	Fr. Karl,	Visit KC.
July 11-26 2001	Fr. Samy	Al & Phyllis Vitous, Mischlichs, Cindy Jenkins, Marie Taylor, Joey Beaubien, Josh Dickey,	Home Visits, First year to take the children to the beach (they were scared), painting and repairs to the church. Installation of computers in classroom area, installation of chain link fence around the garden. Construction of 2 FFTP houses. Painting and plumbing for Missionaries of Charity. Cultural Exchange.

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February 18-27, 2002	Fr. Samy	John & Katherine, Larry & Agnes West , Eileen Thomas	Painted inside of Rectory
July 10-19 2002	Fr. Samy	Mischlichs, Frank Cohalla, Sidney and Samantha Kuns, Josh Dickey, Brittain Kovac, Megan Knapp, Eileen Thomas, Andrea Greufe, Tom & Kristina Adams, Cindy Jenkins, Becky Eakins	Painted Missionaries of Charity home exterior. Enclosed behind the church's altar, providing a place for the tabernacle.
February 2003	Fr. Samy, Deacon Zack	Larry & Agnes West, Eileen Thomas, John & Katherine	
July 2003	Fr. Samy	Katherine & John, Liz Holtel, Joey Beaubien, Frank Cohalla, Sid Kuns, Al & Phyllis Vitous, Andrea Greufe, Becky Eakins, Julia & Britt, Cindy Jenkins	Renewal of wedding vows: Larry & Julia Kovac. Only the 6 th wedding performed by Fr. Samy since he arrived (5 years). Shoveled gravel the whole time outside the church to provide a leveled, less muddy gathering area outdoors. Took the kids to the beach. Had soccer match between KC and BalACLava. Cultural exchange talent show. Fr. Samy had converted an old chicken coop into a dorm for the missionaries... slept 4 and the boys/girls would fight over who got to sleep in the chicken coop. Parish BBQ festival with a swing/ride. Gave away grains, live chickens to the locals.
June 2-9, 2004	Fr. Francis Dupuis First Year.	Fr. Karl, Britt & Julia John had gall bladder issue and Katherine stayed in KC with	No photo album. (probably because Katherine wasn't on the trip!) Spent a lot of time at Bull Savannah and Dr. Carol's Narkovich medical clinic.
June 2005	Fr. Francis	Lincoln Hittner, Jackie Messina, Lauren Arthur, Logan Hayes, Becky & Jennifer Eakins,	Earthquake (5.1) occurred while there (newspaper clipping). Played with kids, went to the beach. Painted the roof of the Missionaries of Charity home.

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		Cindy Jenkins, Carol Putroff, Sandy Giovanni, Fr. Aidan, Britt Kovac, Julia Kovac, Katherine & John, Sid Kuns?(Cindy's Eakins' cousin)	
July 2006	Fr. Francis Letter to go through customs	Jackie Messina, Lauren Arthur, Lincoln Hittner, Carol Putroff, Julia Kovac, Sandy G, Cindy Jenkins, Daniel Neff, Logan Hayes, Keith Putroff, Fr. Karl Barmann, Becky Eakins	Built Ms. Ruby's 12'x12' house from Food for the Poor. Took the kids to the beach.
2007			No trip: Fr. Sandy Sinclair ?
July 2008	Fr. Francis	Mike Heiting, Ray Henning, John & Katherine, Julia Kovac	Tons of electrical work. Julia & Katherine working with people in the home: making rosaries and showing videos. Going to mass in Maggoty every other day because Maggoty priest (Fr. Mark) was gone. Went to Lime Cay in Kingston – beautiful.
February 2009	Fr. Francis	Larry & Julia Kovac	BBQ'd for people of home, Missionaries of Charity sisters dancing to 50's music, giving male residents each beer. Hot tea for the ladies. Larry helped with repairs in Fr.'s house. Ministered to the dying. Had a movie marathon for the people in the home.
July 2009	Fr. Francis	Paige Messina, Samantha Scheuler, Devon Eberth, Dottie & Aaron Dickey, Cindy Jenkins, Julia & Britt, Logan Hayes, Josh Dickey, Mike Heiting, Ray Henning	Parish festival. Repaired roof for parishioner. Took kids to the beach, Frog Documentary. YouTube video of carrying supplies to and working on the house "Jamericans"
2010	Fr. Paul Mushi		No trip due to Fr.'s first year and getting acclimated
July 19-28	Fr. Paul Mushi	Olivia Messina, Erin Reynolds, Olivia & Sandra	Summer School: arts & crafts, English & science, sewing class, sports. Visited the homebound parishioners, checked on repairs of the chicken coops. Did the

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2011		Scheuler, Lucy Pickert, Norman & James VAnBooven, Daniel Neff, Madison Devaney, Brittain & Julie Kovac, Katherin & John Mischlich	alligator tour at Black River, dinner at Little Ochi, went to YS Falls. Britt & Sandra visited Appleton Rum Factory. Taught kids how to pickup trash, painted trash cans, coconut shells.
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Special Jamaicans

Miss Ruby, with Fr. Sami's hand on her head.

Fr. Chinnappan Arokiasamy (Fr. Samy)

Lucky

Tony from the home (poster child 2008)

Richard

Special Sisters

Sr. Maria Philo

Sr. Loretto

Sr. Claire