

Good Morning, Brothers & Sisters. Today is a pleasure for me to talk to you about Haiti and about the parish. And for us I want to say thank you to God because he let us be together as a sister parish. And even though we are crossing a bad moment in Haiti, I say bad moment, it is so hard in Haiti now because Haiti's not safe.

When the coronavirus start so this pandemic stopped me to come to you to share the parish life with you. I miss you & the parish miss you so very much. And I say thank you for –to Fr Chuck, and thank you to all the parish members and thank you to all the parishioners for accepting to support us, even though I know, we know, economically it is not easy. But you try to do your best to let us stay alive at St. Jude. Without you, frankly, we don't know what to do. School could be closed, the parish doors could close because here there is nothing. But thanks be to you, all the teachers get paid, the rectory get food, and we are alive thanks be to you.

Haiti is so, is so, is so, is so bad now and everybody are scared. We are scared in Haiti because every day gang people, kidnappers, kidnap a lot of people. And you heard about, you know, via the news how it is worse; they kidnap priests, they kidnap nuns, they kidnap Protestant pastors inside the ceremony and they come with big machine gun and kidnap them. And you heard how they kill the President, the Haitian President, Jovenel Moïse, because he wants to help the poor people, you know, to be someone and the rich they are so nervous against him, plot against, plot and kill him.

So, brothers & sisters, I miss you, I miss you because I cannot come to spend time with you to talk to you and you know, to say thank you but this video, this technology you know allow me to say that to you today. Thank you for all the boxes you sent, all the supplies you sent for the church, for the people; because like uh they got tennis shoes, they got dress, they got toothpaste, they got solar light and uh, we received everything and we share with the people. And thank you so much for that because as you know we don't have electricity. Each time we give some people this light, we show them that God Jesus is the light so they they are so happy, they are so happy. There's a big message behind your gifts—thank you so very much. And thank you for accepting to help us so we repair the truck we have. You know we got a big accident, and thanks God the driver—he got hurt but he was not dead. But he's okay, but the truck is okay now, thanks be to you. And thank you so very much.

And thank you for accepting to help more young people go to church school, go to university—thank you so very much. Right now we've got some graduates, you know, children, you know young people they try to find a job even though the country is a little, you know, shut down, I say shut down because if there's no way to travel between the mountain to downtown. It is like, you know, we're stuck but um, I thank

you for your prayers because, I know you always pray for us, you always keep us in your prayer and uh, we pray for you, too. We pray for you, too, because Jesus connected us together and we will stay together connecting forever because we are, as Christian, we have one goal: the Kingdom of God, work for the Kingdom of God. This is our mission, this is your mission too because you prove that, you prove that, you realize that and we see that and thank you so very much.

And, um, thank you so so much. And right now we have a big trouble and um. Downtown, some, not too far from us, some kids, um, they cannot go to school because gang you know, you know you know stay in their place, they close school. They invade us here. The children they want to come to school and we accept to welcome them too. This year we have 700 children in our school. We're obliged to open another classroom but, it is, um, well it is something, it is something—the chicken coop, we get all the supplies in the chicken coop and we replace them, we put them nearby and we build a little, a little classroom. And we need more, we need more classroom but, um, I don't know what to do but I know we are so full and the situation is not ok but as a sister parish, partners in Christ. So I explain, I explain you everything and uh, thank you, thank you, thank you.

And I don't know what to say. And what has scared me so much is the kidnapping, it is the kidnapping and uh, every day I stay in the rectory and sometime when the driver want to go to Port-au-Prince everybody say “you have to pay attention” because the kidnapper they kidnap people.

Everybody scared, everybody's scared. So, oh my God, I don't know what to do, and um, thank you again, thank you. Pray for us please and pray for us again. We have some dream but we, we try to not wish for the dream we got and when time is purpose we can share with you, what our dream will be. Because we think about if we can have like a trade school at St Jude Parish and so all the kids can stay home, you know, they don't have to go to Port-au-Prince anymore but this is like a longtime project. And thank you again. Thank you for everything you do for us.

Thank you & God bless you. And thank you again for the parish participation you sent us \$8,000 for the parish feast that will come on the 28 of October—thank you so very much. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you. Be blessed.