



ST. MARGARET MARY PARISH

20 Idlewood Avenue, Hamilton, Ontario L8T 1V9

November 30, 2023

Father Jude Efireille, Pastor
St. Gabriel Parish
Beau-Sejour, Haiti

Dear Father Jude:

Greetings and best wishes from your Canadian brothers and sisters of St. Margaret Mary Parish and our new Pastor, Father Adam Wroblewicz. Having emerged from the challenges and isolation of the COVID19 pandemic, we embrace each opportunity to celebrate community together, not only in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist, but in those actions of service and support for others in need. As we celebrate 15 years of the Twinning of St. Gabriel and St. Margaret Mary, we can reflect on the many blessings that our Lord has bestowed on us. We especially acknowledge the presence of our beloved Priests, such as yourself, who have provided such devotion, hope, love and courageous leadership to those who have been entrusted to your care.

As we continue to navigate through a post pandemic environment here in Canada and the challenges posed to us, we acknowledge that your path in Haiti presents the added challenges of civil strife, violence, poverty and famine. Notwithstanding these challenges our brothers and sisters of St. Gabriel church in Beau Sejour, have ensured that their children receive a Catholic education, with a new school year having commenced September 14, 2023. With a spirit of hope and determination and after many years of preparation, another wonderful celebration will occur on December 10, 2023, with the blessing of the beautiful new St. Gabriel church.

On behalf of Father Adam, our Twinning Committee and the many faithful of St. Margaret Mary, we share our heartfelt best wishes and feeling of great joy as you prepare for the completion and blessing of your beautiful new St. Gabriel church. Be assured of our continued prayers for you and our brothers and sisters in Haiti and know that we share in the anticipation and joy that this rebirth will bring to your Advent and Christmas Masses.

We look forward to receiving some photographs of the celebrations to come as we intend to share this wonderful news with our congregation early in the new year.

Sincerely,

Jim P. LoPresti
Twinning Committee Chairperson