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HOLY CHILDHOOD SUNDAY:

CHILDREN HARVEST IN LIFE WHAT THEIR PAR- ENTS PLANT IN PRAYER AND GOOD UPBRINGING

A REFLECTION BY FR JOSEPH KIRUMIRA

Every Child Deserves Love, Hope, and a Home. The Pontifical Society of Missionary Holy Childhood was started in France in 1843 by Bishop Charles de Forbin with the objective of encouraging children all over the world to pray and to be aware of the needs of their fellow children throughout the whole world.

The Universal Missionary Motto of Holy Childhood Association is: CHILDREN HELP-ING CHILDREN. Their National slogan: JESUS IS OUR FRIEND, LET US LOVE ONE ANOTHER. A Holy childhood child plants seeds of love.

When you rescue a child you restore a future from streets to hope & from pain to a life full of purpose. Every child is a gift from God that should never be lost. No child should be forgotten because little children have great hearts that are rooted in God's word.

Every child is a seed of God's Kingdom and when we reach out to abandoned children with love, we rescue a life, restore dignity, and help God's Word bear fruit. When we rescue a street child or a suffering child or an unloved child we plant God's love where life had been broken. It's an act of planting a new life in a miserable hopeless heart.

Praying parents raise strong focused God loving children. Parent's words are seeds that grow into the child's future. The 4th Commandment teaches us that families flourish when parents lead with love, children respond with respect, and both listen

FIRST READING

The rain makes the earth give growth.

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 55:10-11

Thus says the Lord: 'As the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do.'

This is the word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

RESPONSE: Some seed fell into rich soil and produced its crop. ~ Ps.

64:10-14. Lk 8:8

SECOND READING

"The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons."

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 8:18-23

I think that what we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory, as yet unrevealed, which is waiting for us. The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons. It was not for any fault on the part of creation that it was made unable to attain its purpose, it was made so by God; but creation still retains the hope of being freed, like us, from its slavery to decadence, to enjoy the same

freedom and glory as the children of God. From the beginning till now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first-fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free. *The word of the Lord*

GOSPEL

A sower went out to sow.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 13:1-23

Jesus left the house and sat by the lake-side, but such crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat there.



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PARISH THEME: "JOURNEYING TOGETHER, UNITED IN LOVE"

The people all stood on the beach, and he told them many things in parables. He said, 'Imagine a sower going out to sow. As he sowed, some seeds fell on the edge of the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Others fell on patches of rock where they found little soil and sprang up straight away, because there was no depth of earth; but as soon as the sun came up they were scorched and, not having any roots, they withered away. Others fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Listen, anyone who has ears!' Then the disciples went up to him and asked, 'Why do you talk to them in parables?' 'Because' he replied 'the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven are revealed to you, but they are not revealed to them. For anyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken away. The reason I talk to them in parables is that they look without seeing and listen without hearing or understanding. So in their case this prophecy of Isaiah is being fulfilled: You will listen and listen again, but not understand, see and see again, but not perceive. For the heart of this nation has grown coarse, their ears are dull of hearing, and they have shut their eyes, for fear they should see with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their heart, and be converted and be healed by me. 'But happy are your eyes because they see, your ears because they hear! I tell you solemnly, many prophets and holy men longed to

see what you see, and never saw it; to hear what you hear, and never heard it. 'You, therefore, are to hear the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom without understanding, the evil one comes and carries off what was sown in his heart: this is the man who received the seed on the edge of the path. The one who received it on patches of rock is the man who hears the word and welcomes it at once with joy. But he has no root in him, he does not last; let some trial come, or some persecution on account of the word, and he falls away at once. The one who received the seed in thorns is the man who hears the word but the worries of this world and the lure of riches choke the word and so he produces nothing. And the one who received the seed in rich soil is the man who hears the word and understands it; he is the one who yields a harvest and produces now a hundredfold, now sixty, now thirty.' *The Gospel of the Lord.*

ESSOMO I

"Enkuba ebaza ensi"

Bye tusoma mu kitabo kya Yisaaya Omulanzi. (55, 10-11).

Omukama agamba bw'ati: Anti kyenkana ng'enkuba n'omuzira bwe biva ku ggulu ne bikka wansi ne bitaddayo, wabula okufukirira ensi, nga bigigimusa n'okugibaza, n'ewa omusizi ensigo n'oyo alya n'emunya emmere: era n'ekigambo ekiva mu kamwa kange bwe kiriba. Tekiridda gye ndi nga kikalu, wabula kirituukiriza kye ngendeera, ne kireeta omukisa ku bye nkitaddeko. *Ebyo Omukama y'abyogera.*

OKWEBULIRIRA

EKIDD: Ensigo yagwa mu ttaka ddungi n'ereeta ebibala bingi ~ Zab. 64, 10-14

ESSOMO II

Buli kitonde kirindirira ekitiibwa ekiveerebwa abaana ba Katonda

Bye tusoma mu bbaluwa Paulo Omutume gye yawandiikira ab'e Roma. (8. 18-23)

Nze ndaba nga ennaku ez'omu budde buno toyinza kuzigeraanyana kitiibwa kirijja ekiritulabikiramu. Anti buli kitonde kirindiridde kirabe ekitiibwa ekiriweebwa abaana ba Katonda. Ebitonde mugenda ne mutava mugaso gwabitonza, byo si bye binnyini musango okusibuka ekyo, naye lwa kubeera oli eyabireeteza omusango; sso era wakyaliwo essuubi, anti n'ekitonde kirinunulwa mu kuvunda ne kubeera mu ddembe mu kitiibwa ky'abaana ba Katonda. Tumanyi nga na kati buli kitonde kisinda, kirumwa ng'oli azaala. Si kyo kyokka naye naffe bwe tuli naffe ffennyini newandibadde nga tusoose okufuna ku bibala eby'omwoyo, tusinda mu mitima gyaffe nga turindirira okwebonanyizibwa kw'abaana ba Katonda, omubiri gwaffe gununulwe. *Ebyo Omukama y'abyogera.*

EVANJIRI

"Oyo agenda okusiga n'afuluma."

Ebigambo by'Evanjiri ya Mukama waffe Yezu Kristu ebivudde mu Matayo. (13, 1-23) oba engeri ennyimpia (13,1-9)

with open hearts. The 4th Commandment builds bridges between generations through respect and listening. Strong families are built not by wealth, but by parents who love, children who respect, and hearts that listen to God and to one another. Let our home be the fertile soil where God's Word grows daily.

Jesus reminds us that good soil bears abundant fruit, and one of the greatest fruits a child can bear is to help another child grow in faith, hope, and love.

Holy Childhood children become little missionaries when they pray for children throughout the world, share what they have with those in need, welcome and encourage lonely classmates, comfort the sick, visit vulnerable children, and

become examples of kindness, honesty, and obedience.

Their work is not measured by their age or possessions but by the generosity of their hearts. Every prayer offered, every coin shared, every act of charity, and every word of encouragement becomes a seed of God's Kingdom.

In helping little children, they imitate Jesus, who welcomed children with love and entrusted them with a place in His Kingdom. Indeed, today's children are not only the future of the Church. They are missionaries of Christ today, sowing seeds of faith that will bear fruit for generations to come.

God's word is like the rain and snow that make the earth fruitful. Every farmer

knows that a good harvest begins long before the seeds are planted. The land must first be prepared. Hard ground must be broken, weeds removed, and the soil made fertile. Without good soil, even the best seed cannot produce a rich harvest.

Jesus compares the Word of God to seeds generously scattered by a sower. While the seed is always good, the harvest depends on the condition of the soil. God never stops speaking, but the question is whether we are listening.

We live in a world full of noise. Mobile phones, social media, conversations, and constant entertainment often leave little room for silence. Many of us have become quick to speak but slow to listen. We speak about others more than we

speak to God. Gossip spreads faster than the Gospel, and criticism often replaces encouragement. The tongue has the power to bless and to destroy.

When gossip takes root, God's Word struggles to grow. Words meant to heal become weapons that wound. Families are divided, friendships are broken & trust is lost. We cannot proclaim Christ on Sunday while destroying another person's dignity on Monday

Jesus describes four kinds of soil, and each invites us to examine ourselves. Sometimes we become like the path, hardened by pride and indifference. At other times we resemble rocky ground, receiving God's Word with joy but giving up when challenges come.

We can become thorny soil, allowing worries, the pursuit of wealth, or worldly distractions to choke our faith. Jesus speaks of good soil, hearts that hear the Word, understand it, persevere, and bear abundant fruit. Our hearts are not permanently fixed. Through prayer and repentance hard hearts can become fertile soil. God keeps sowing His grace and offers new beginnings.

Parents are the first teachers of the faith. Their words and prayers shape the hearts of their children. Children are called to be missionaries in their homes and schools by speaking truth, respecting others, praying & serving generously. They become witnesses of Christ through great achievements, simple acts of kindness, and compassion.

Holy Childhood reminds us that evangelization begins when little children listen and share God's Word. The Church grows through children's hearts that are open to God. May the Blessed Virgin Mary, who received the Word of God with an obedient heart, teach us to become good soil for God's Word.

- We have celebrated the 15th Sunday in ordinary time year A and Holy Childhood Missionary Sunday. Let us have a second collection towards the support of the mission.
- We thank Catholic Women's Guild for leading adoration last week. This week, the Family Ministry will lead adoration on Thursday 16th July 2026 at 5pm.
- Nsambya Babies Home has organised a fundraising charity walk on 25th July 2026. You are all called upon to support by buying a kit at 30,000/= or 20,000/=, and a cap at 10,000/=. For more information, please find them at the tent.
- The Youth For Christ - I4U of Ntinda Parish have organized a mid-year pilgrimage to Kiwamirembe on Monday, 24th August 2026, for all youth aged 13 to 19 years, under the theme "Surrender & Recharge in Christ." Registration is UGX 20,000 per child. The deadline is Wednesday 19th August 2026. Find us at the tent after Mass to register your child or call 0768495300 for more information
- Magnificat Charismatic Community invites all People of God to attend Empowerment sessions with the theme: JESUS AND THE KINGDOM guided by the Gospel of Matthew. These talks and Worship experience take place every *Wednesday at 6:00pm, here in the Church, at St Charles Lwanga Ntinda. Many have been healed, and others found Purpose in Life.
- We thank the devotees to St. Jude and all those who made a special pilgrimage to Naggulu last Tuesday. We thank you all for the offertories and donations you were able to make.
- Next Sunday 19th July 2026 is our Good Samaritan Sunday. We are encouraged to honor our pledges in the Golden Hearted Book. We can as well put money in the boxes inserted on the walls of our church.
- And we shall have a second collection towards the support of Deacon Raymond Batte in preparation for his priestly ordination. Please come ready to support him.

- **Raphael Okia Omagino** of Naalya son of Dr. Omagino.o.o. John and Late Angella Fellistus Acadi Omagino of Manyangwa Close. Gayaza Wakiso wishes to marry **Alakut Karen** of Oderai B daughter of Oede James and Aukoi Dianh Loyce of Soroti
- **Vian Wejuli** of Kyaliwajjala son of Oguttu George Williams and Were Juliet Ann Oguttu of Kyaliwajjala Namugongo wishes to marry Among **Mary Vanessa** of Kyaliwajjala daughter of Onya Francis Okolong and Okia Rosemarry of Kiwatule
- **Kafuruka Thomas** of Kibingo A son of Byarugaba Augustine and Leokadia Byarugaba Katin-

da of Ibaare wishes to marry **Kugumisiriza Chloris** of Bukoto daughter of

- **Asiimwe Paul** of Buwate son of Deogratus Nzarwa Katono and Kebirungi Sidona Katono of Kasangati Town Council wishes to marry **Nabimanya Lynn** of Buwate daughter of Katamba Andrew and Nuwemuto Patience of Rukungiri
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- **Mark Elvis Kamweya Arinaitwe** of Kigowa son of Late. Stephen Kamweya and Kyomugisha M. Hedwig of Seguku, Kateete wishes to marry **Nyamer Bridgette** of Muyenga daughter of Martin Ojwang and Linda Ungwech Evelyn of Mawanda Road
- **Kafuruka Thomas** of Kibingo A son of Byarugaba Augustine and Leokadia Byarugaba Katin-da of Ibaare wishes to marry **Kugumisiriza Chloris** of Bukoto daughter of Moses Musasizi and Christine Asiimwe of Nyamirima
- **Kato Anthony** of Kyanja son of Edward Ssenaburya and Namusoke of Luwero wishes to marry Atukunda Catherine of Kisaasi

Tithe	46,977,602
Sunday Offertory	10,018,900
Week Day Offertory	5,387,200
Fundraisings	10,000
Marriage Stole Fees	180,000
Baptism Stole Fees	20,000
Catechism Stole Fees	365,000
Thanksgiving	1,810,000
Scroll Sales & Adverts	196,000
Devotional Candles	981,700
Grotto Box	1,324,200
Joint Choir	30,000
Uganda Martyrs	100,000
Divine Mercy	65,000
Sacred Heart of Jesus	71,000
St. Jude Devotion.	3,683,000
Women's Guild	848,000
Good Samaritan	2,216,480
Adoration Chapel Stipend	657,500
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daughter of Robert Bujara Mugisha and Prisca Ahumuza Mugisha of Kisaasi

- **Atwine Jimmy** of Torotoro son of Ndyamuhaki Nestole and Owomuhangi Daria of Rukungiri wishes to marry **Ankunda Prossy** of Mugamba daughter of Sarapio Betambira and Kamwebaze Dinnah of Rukungiri
- **Mutyaba Ivan** of Kyoga son of Late Mukibi Joseph and Ndagire Catherine Mulondo of Kyoga, wakiso wishes to marry **Nakyomu Damalie** of Ssaza daughter of Late Charles Muyira and Babirye Florence of Mukono

I4U MID-YEAR PILGRIMAGE

Surrender and Recharge in Christ

Monday 24th August 2026 **Destination Kiwamirembe**

REGISTRATION UGX 20,000

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CALL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE PARISH CARITAS REPRESENTATIVE.

Are you passionate about serving others and transforming lives through faith in action?

The **Parish Caritas Representative** serves as the parish focal person for social and economic development, helping to identify and support vulnerable individuals and families, promote community development, coordinate charitable initiatives, strengthen savings and livelihood groups, and advance the Church's mission of integral human development.

We are looking for a person who is:

- A practicing Catholic in good standing
- Passionate about serving the poor and vulnerable
- A good leader, communicator, and mobilizer
- Committed to Catholic values, integrity, and stewardship
- Experienced in community service, parish leadership, or development work (an added advantage)

Term of Service:
3 Years (renewable once)

Motto:
"Developing People for Integral Human Development through Faith, Service, and Solidarity."

If you feel called to serve and desire to make a difference in our parish and community, we encourage you to volunteer and serve.

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For more information regarding this position contact - **Audrey Kawuki, 0752 412 822**

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