

Parish Twinning Covenant

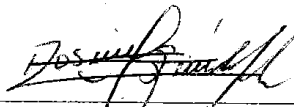
In "The Joy of the Gospel" Pope Francis reminds us that Jesus does not tire of saying to us: "Give them something to eat (MK 6:37)". Pope Francis explains that it means to work to eliminate the structure reasons for poverty and encourage integral development of the poor as well as acts of solidarity every day in meeting real needs that we encounter. We extend a communion that must become visible as concrete signs like communal prayer for each other, fraternal relations between dioceses and parishes and consultation between pastoral workers.

We are convinced that Divine Providence has already brought together the peoples of our two parishes. Encouraged by Pope Francis' call to fraternal communion, we, as pastors and communities of faith believe that the Holy Spirit has called us to continued communion and solidarity and to enrich the partnership we already share. We, therefore, joyfully sign this Solemn Covenant on this day of the Lord, between Ste Anne Parish, Hyacinthe, Haiti and St Anthony Parish Renton, Washington, USA.

We pledge:

- To continue to strengthen the relationships between our two parishes so that we may enrich one another's human and spiritual life.
- To encourage prayer and other types of exchanges for one another in our parishes and families.
- That our two parishes will use whatever means are possible and suitable to enrich the lives and faith of our people, especially sharing of pastoral experience and programs.
- To encourage the faithful of each parish to visit each other, whenever possible, and offer gifts, talents, service and love to one another.
- To commit ourselves to organize a joint committee dedicated to the ongoing dialogue between our two peoples and assure that this Covenant grows in meaning and effectiveness.
- To review and renew this Covenant every five years.

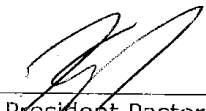
We ask the blessings of Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit on this Covenant. To God be the honor, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen



Pe Josue Seide
Pastor, Ste Anne Parish

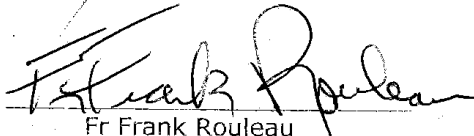


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