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Dear Sandy,

Maryknoll continues to grow in faith and witness with the Church in the Northwest - from schools, parishes, and diocesan offices, to individual Catholics discovering their own missionary vocations. We are privileged to see firsthand how the local Church is moved by the Spirit to proclaim the Good News of God's love. As we head into summer, we are overjoyed to share with you some of the many examples of mission flourishing in our midst.

Summer is also the time when Maryknollers are graciously invited by parishes in the Archdioceses of Seattle and Portland to share the gift of mission and invite people into deeper relationship with the world. Below, you will find a [list of our upcoming summer visits](#). We hope that you can join us to celebrate Mass and hear about mission.

Speaking recently while visiting from Bangladesh where he lives and serves, Maryknoll [Father Bob McCahill](#) said that, "Maryknoll is a society of people who want to help the world." Part of that commitment is to walk alongside you and your communities as you seek to understand the good that God calls forth from you as a gift to all creation. Thank you for walking with us on the path of mission!

Peace,

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Reflection:



"Spreading the Gospel means that we are the first to proclaim and live the reconciliation, forgiveness, peace, unity, and love that the Holy Spirit gives us."

-Pope Francis
May 22, 2013

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Welcome to Our Newest Maryknoller: Fr. Lam Hua of Tacoma, WA



Father Lam Minh Hua, 28, was ordained on Saturday, May 31, at the Maryknoll Society Mission Center in Ossining, New York. **He will celebrate Mass in his home [parish of St. Ann in Tacoma](#) during the weekend of June 14-15.** The Sunday, June 15, Mass at 4 p.m. will be celebrated in Vietnamese.

Father Hua began his journey in Vietnam as a young boy. Along with his parents and brother, Father Hua eventually came to the United States to settle in Tacoma, Washington. Later this year, he will be assigned to serve in mission in the Africa region as the newest priest of the Maryknoll Society. Please join us in congratulating our newest Maryknoll priest! ([Read his story here](#))

Maryknoll Missioners Celebrating Masses

This summer, Maryknoll missioners will share the gift of mission with parishes in the Archdiocese of Seattle and the Archdiocese of Portland. We are most grateful to spend this time in communion with you - our partners in mission - and to share the stories of our sisters and brothers throughout the world!

[List of visits in the Archdiocese of Seattle](#)

[List of visits in the Archdiocese of Portland](#)



Fr. Tom Marti, MM

A Springtime of Mission in Seattle Catholic Schools!

Maryknoll, the [Missions Office](#) of the Archdiocese of Seattle, and the [Office for Catholic Schools](#) of Western Washington have been collaborating to help bolster the missionary spirit of our Catholic schools. During May and June, Kelly Hickman of the Missions Office and Kevin Foy of Maryknoll have been visiting with school principals and teachers, discussing how we can support them in forming the next generation of missionary disciples. Already, we have been invited to work with multiple schools during the 2014-2015 school year!



Kelly Hickman speaks with 6th graders from St. Brendan Parish School. Photo courtesy Missions Office of the Archdiocese of Seattle.

Read more about our efforts on the [Office for Catholic Schools Blog](#).

Local Parishioners on Mission to Cincinnati



St. Luke parishioners at a Maryknoll mission preparation retreat.

Later this summer, parishioners from [St. Luke Parish](#) in Shoreline, WA, will be traveling to inner-city Cincinnati on mission with [Franciscans for the Poor](#). Recently, Maryknoll led a retreat with the group to help them prepare to enter into loving relationship with the poor and marginalized.

Maryknoll can work with your group to provide formation for participating in mission. We collaborate closely with you

in designing retreats that meet your needs and the challenges that your group is facing, and ground our training in Scripture, Church teaching, and over 100 years of missionary experience. Contact Kevin Foy for details at kfoy@maryknoll.org.

Thank You Fr. Bob McCahill!

Fr. Bob McCahill recently visited and shared his story with students at O'Dea High School in Seattle and Pope John Paul II High School in Lacey, the Maryknoll Affiliates, and at a gathering at St. Joseph Church in Seattle.

Fr. Bob is a Maryknoll priest who has lived and served among the poor of Bangladesh for the past 39 years. His is a ministry of accompaniment, seeking out those suffering illness and injury and working with them to receive medical treatment. He ministers among Muslims, sharing God's love without asking or expecting anything in return. He spoke of how we can learn so much from our Muslim sisters and brothers - about hospitality, community, charity, and faith.



Fr. Bob McCahill with Maryknoll Mission Promoter Dcn. Bill Batstone at Pope John Paul II High School in Lacey, WA.

Thank you Fr. Bob for inspiring us to deeper witness to the Gospel. ([Watch a video on Fr. Bob and his ministry.](#))

Local Maryknoll Sister Honored for Peace and Justice Work

Jean Fallon is a Maryknoll Sister who graduated from [Holy Names Academy](#) in Seattle in 1947. Sr. Jean is being awarded the Sister Christine Mulready Peacemaker Award from [Pax Christi Metro New York](#).

Sr. Jean worked for peace and justice in Japan before returning to the US to work with the [Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns](#). She was awarded as distinguished alumna of Holy Names Academy in 2011. Please join us in congratulating Sr. Jean for this acknowledgment of her inspiring witness. (Read about Sr. Jean and her peace and justice work in an [article featured in Crosscut.com](#).)



Sr. Jean Fallon. Photo courtesy Maryknoll Sisters

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