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Nova Catholic Community 2739 N Yucatan St Arlington, VA 22213

Very best greetings from Loyola Jesuit Secondary School (LJSS), with many blessings and prayers for Christmas Joy and New Year's Peace!

You have helped make 2015 the big year for LJSS, as our *dream* is now becoming a *reality*! In September, we enrolled the first group of young Malawians into Form One (Grade Nine) – 123 youth, 61 girls and 62 boys. These youth join in thanking you for sharing in this great work!

As the attached photo sheet shows, we are off to a good start, with teachers and students very excited to be part of this important effort to improve education in Malawi and assure a brighter future for all citizens.

We owe so much appreciation to so many of you who have made the opening of LJSS possible – by your prayers, suggestions and generous donations. People from Malawi and all around the world, church groups and foundations, Jesuit institutions and communities, and many religious congregations – all have contributed in ways that made our school come out of the ground into the wonderful place it is today – and tomorrow!

This coming year will bring many challenges:

- Instill in all the LJSS staff the spirit of Jesuit pedagogy so that we truly and practically prepare our students to be "women and men for others"
- Provide the needed buildings, equipment, books, etc., to receive the new students who will be coming to us in the next few years
- Assure that the youth who are qualified can attend LJSS no matter what their economic background might be
- Involve more of the local community here in Malawi in participation in our LJSS efforts and in the support of the school

We hope that you can be part of our efforts to meet these challenges. Some of you have donated to us in the past – please continue to help us. Some of you have not yet made a donation – please try to do so at this Christmas 2015 time. Thank you!

In the USA, your tax-exempt donation can be addressed to "Jesuit Missions, Inc.," with notation for Malawi school, and sent to Jesuit Missions, 1016 16th St NW, Suite 400, Washington DC 20016.

Outside the USA, your donation can be addressed to "Jesuit Missions," with notation for Malawi school, and sent to Irish Jesuit Missions, P.O. Box 1034, Dublin 1 Ireland.

Blessings

With every best wish and prayer as we all move into 2016, with deep appreciation for your help!

Sincerely,

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LOYOLA JESUIT SECONDARY SCHOOL KASUNGU, MALAWI



Grade Nine in new uniforms pose before Assembly Hall on first day of class – handsome and ready!



Vincent Mpoto, Malawian teacher Religious Studies, helps Grade Nine learners appreciate Good News!



Students gather for morning Mass to start off a good day of learning in the best of Jesuit Pedagogy!

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OUR DREAM BECOMES A REALITY AS SERIOUS LEARNING BEGINS ON CAMPUS



Girls unpacking on arrival day, making themselves feel at home in their new dormitory!



Construction team putting some finishing touches on the new classroom block, ready for Phase Two!

LOOK AT THESE PHOTOS AND KNOW WHAT YOUR SUPPORT HAS DONE – ENCOURAGEMENT AND SUGGESTIONS, REFERENCES AND DONATIONS!

Thank you so very much for helping us open school in September – it is an exciting time and a real moment of grace. Hopefully a great contribution for the integral development of a beautiful country, Malawi.

We five Jesuits express our gratitude with prayers for you: Simon Makuru, Head Teacher, Ken Simalalo, Chaplain, Emmanuel Chisanga, Assistant Boarding Master, Alojz Podgrajsek, Project Manager, and Pete Henriot, Development Director.

We do need further assistance for 2016: Phase Two provision for Chapel, clinic, Jesuit residence. And equipment and furniture, books and IT materials, sports gear, etc. We are building an endowment fund to help needy students. And we are reaching out for fundraising in the Malawi community.

Please contact us. Thank you and many blessings! We will keep you informed.