# Haiti in our Hands

Compassion and solidarity for the people of Haiti





## June 2023

## Monthly Newsletter

## Trees, Tools & Training

We are thrilled to announce that the Smallholder Farmers Alliance directors will soon be approving Chauffard as a site for their Tree Currency program to begin January 2024. There are a few parts to this program. Agronomists from the Haitian organization Smallholder Farmers Alliance will come to Chauffard and work with a group of farmers (about 50 people - men and women) to plant fruit trees. Through this work, the farmers will earn high quality crop seeds (black beans and pigeon peas) and agricultural hand tools (hoes, pruning knives, and pick axes). The farmers will receive training in improved farming techniques. Through this project, they will be helping their environment while increasing their harvest and food supply. This will lead to a healthier Chauffard community, and begin to tackle food insecurity and poverty in the region.

Our partner organization for this project will be the Raising Haiti Foundation. We will have a **Haiti Committee meeting on Thursday, July 6 at 6 pm** in the basement of the Church of St. Michael and St. Peter, to discuss this project. Please join us! All are welcome.





### News from Chauffard:

"I am announcing that the Smallholder Farmers Alliance team came to meet us at Chauffard. Two agronomists came to present to us projects that will be very useful for the community. They spent three days with us. We hope that follow-ups will be quickly made for the realization of these projects. Many people, despite the heavy rain, had responded and came to this meeting."

Father Raymond, June 2, 2023

## **Upcoming Events**

July 6 @ 6 pm:

Haiti Meeting, Church basement

July 15-16:

Bottle & Can Drive at Velasko Road parking lot

September: Trunk Sale

For more information, call **Kate McMahon** at 315-214-1569.

Supporting the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Chauffard, Haiti, Father Raymond, Parish Priest

# Church of St Michael and St Peter's Bottle & Can Drive

# <u>When</u>

Saturday, July 15

9:00am to 6:30pm

Sunday, July 16

9:00am to 4:00pm



## Where

Church Parking Lot--Velasko Road Side

## **Why**

Funds will go to the school lunch program of our Twin Parish in Haiti.