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# THE MOSHI SEMINARIAN

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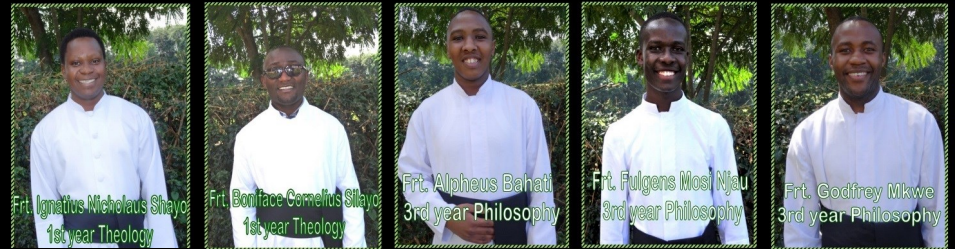
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**Asante sana!**

**Thank you for your continued support for the Moshi Diocese!**





**Here are the 17 more. They want to pray for you. Please help us find more sponsors.**

We need your help!! The Moshi Diocese continues to attract young men to the priesthood and the number of seminarians continues to grow. Thanks be to God!! One of our best opportunities to enroll new seminarian sponsors is during our annual trip to Moshi for the Ordination. Once people meet these holy young men, they want to help them on their journey. Unfortunately, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, our plans to attend the ordination this year are cancelled. We are making plans now to travel in August but many of the 25 who were going to join the trip will likely not make it to Moshi this year. Please help us to find sponsors for the seminarians who are anxiously awaiting to have one or more sponsors to pray for. The cost is \$1000 per year which can be paid monthly if desired. How you can help...

1. Forward this magazine to friends and family who might consider sponsoring a seminarian....or sharing in the sponsorship with another person or family.
2. Visit our seminarian photo gallery:  
<https://www.moshidiocese.org/photo-gallery>  
 Seminarians with black border on their photos are not yet sponsored.
3. Contact T.O. Bennett at 330-497-6149 (landline) for more information  
 God Bless You for your prayers and support of these wonderful young men!!

## A Visit to Deacon Charles Alleluya's Home

It was on July 5, 2019. 3:00 PM Mama T. O. Bennet, Linda DiRuzza, Frank Price (from USA), with Frt. Gasper Setus they stepped at our family soil. To me it was not a surprise, but to my parents it was. The parents were very happy to see the visitors. My father gave a very brief talk, appreciating the great work done by our sponsors to their son and all other fraters in the Diocese, special thanks were given to Leo and Bella Yau.

Mama T. O gave a gift, a crucifix to the family, on the other hand the visitors were given a chicken for the soup. They had a good moment to see around on the farm and see our cow, pigs and dog. I personally explained to Mr. Frank how we take care of bananas, he was very happy for that.

Thank you, you're most welcome.  
 Deacon Charles Alleluya



On a sad note...Frank Price, who traveled with us to in Moshi in 2016 and 2019 passed on to eternal life on May 8th. Frank (Franklin), along with his wife Edie, are sponsors for Deacon Denis Kaishe and Frt. Emmanuel Livingstone. We are thankful that Frank was able to join us on the trip to Moshi last year and to meet with his 'sons' before his passing. May he rest in peace.



## A special thank you to our newest sponsors!!!

Sponsors	Major Seminararian	Seminararian Parish
Deacon Chris Germak	Fr. Godfrey Stephen Lyimo	Visitation of the BVM to Elizabeth
Christina and Noah Murphy	Fr. Thomas Ambroce Tumaini	BVM Queen of the Holy Rosary

### Sponsors Visit with Frt. Daniel Oswald Tumaini's Family

Pray the Lord Jesus Christ. First I would like to thank God in a special way for our administration of the MOSHI DIOCESE, Rev.Fr.Deogratus Matiika and our vocational director Rev.Fr.Mathew Munishi. By the grace of God, I now have new friends Lawrence and his wife Julie, who walk with me in prayer as well as moral support. On July 7, Lawrence, Julie, Rev.Fr.Peter Siamoo and myself, traveled from MOSHI to ROMBO to visit my Parish OLELE as well as home. At OLELE Parish we saw the children of Virgin Mary congregation. We also saw different animals such as cows, goats, and pigs. We ate lunch at the Parish and we met Rev.Fr.EVANCE, the OLELE Parish Priest and Rev.Fr.Monoruo, the assistant Parish Priest as well as my fellow Fraters. After lunch we went to my home where we met my father and uncle together with my brother Reginald. It was a special Sunday and we visited the graves of my mother, grandfather and grandmother and aunts Blanka, Beatha and Anjelitha. Fr.Peter led us in a prayer over mom's grave and he also prayed for the sanctification of the Crucifix which Lawrence and Julie gave my father as a sign of spiritual love. I pray for KMHO and other groups and people who help those in need. God bless all of you.



Frt. Daniel James Oswald Tumaini  
 First Year Philosophy  
 Ntungamo Seminary  
 Sponsors: Julie and Lawrence Rentz



## THE SEMINARY LIFE - A PRACTICAL LIFE!

It is famously said that, \_man becomes what he learns! I have found this saying so real. I am really grateful to God for the gift of the priestly vocation, and more particularly in the aspect of the seminary formation. The seminary formation - in other words, the lesson(s) I obtain from the seminary life are really making me the person I am. I am becoming what I am learning!

In this period, when the entire world encounters one of the greatest challenges, the outbreak of Covid-19, I am obviously among the victims of its effects. I am supposed to stay at home, as it, of course, directed by health authorities as well as the government. However, I can not strictly claim that I am not living the seminary life! For it is never limited to the seminary boundaries, but it is practical and manifests itself in my real day to day life. I can not avoid living the main pillars of the seminary formation: PRAYER, WORK, and STUDIES wherever I am. I am getting a chance to participate in the Holy Mass daily, as well as praying with my family including the Holy Rosary. I participate in work, at home as well as in the parish., and I devote my time daily in reading various books including spiritual books, novels, as well as academic ones.

I can proudly say that the seminary has molded my personality. It is the seminary life and formation, that has constituted the core of my daily life. I am sure that, as I am continuing with my formation, I will become better and better in various life aspects. Proud to be a seminararian!

Frt. Abel Simon Bahati  
 Second Year Philosophy  
 Ntungamo Seminary  
 Sponsors: Ray and Randi Guarendi



When is the last time you looked at the beneficiaries on your life insurance, IRA or other accounts? It's time to take a look, update if necessary. When updating beneficiaries, know that a charity like the KMHO Seminary Sponsorship can be a beneficiary of all or part of one of these assets.

## WHEN I RECALL LIFE BEFORE COVID-19, PRESENT AND FUTURE OF THIS PANDEMIC

My last year 40 days pastoral (August-September 2019) is a remarkable busy one. At least I can recall how I used to be with students from primary to secondary school praying and learning about Catholic Faith. During those days, we truly acted as human beings, integrating healthily without fears and worries on contagious diseases and abrupt deaths.

Today, I am in the same parish after the passage of seven months (due to temporal suspension of the seminary because of COVID-19). Things have changed a lot here. There is no chance to meet with students no more. They have been told to stay at home by the government because of COVID-19. When chance occurs to meet one another, there is no longer freedom to integrate freely; instead we stay 1-2 Meters apart, we speak calmly and slowly with our mouths protected partially by a cloth mask, and we can no longer touch one another neither spend much time in groups.

That's why after a lot of reflection, I am still puzzled; 'If COVID-19 will not be resolved; shall life continue to be in this way?' I am never certain if this is life God wished us to live!! It's my opinion that COVID-19 is a passing challenge just as Bubonic Plague of 14<sup>th</sup> Century. Concerning how will it end and when, I have no vivid conclusion rationally; but spiritually I belief God is omniscient and omnipotent.

Frt. Eugene E. Kawau,  
Third Year Theology  
Segerea Senior Seminary  
Sponsors: George and Rita Young



**RESCHEDULED**  
NEW DATE ANNOUNCED

The trip to Moshi for the ordination has been rescheduled. There is no "official" reporting of Covid cases there but the general information received is that the number of cases is low and decreasing. Thanks be to God! The ordination and Thanksgiving are still scheduled for July; however, we are delaying our trip with plans to travel from August 3rd—August 18th. We plan to work on water projects, attend a seminarian gathering, visit parishes of the newly ordained priests; hopefully also visit their homes, safari (optional), plus open for other options. Please contact T.O. Bennett at 330-497-6149 (landline) if you are interested in joining the group.

## Ordination - July 2, 2020

Please pray for the following young men who will be ordained into the Priesthood on July 2, 2020.





Left: A traditional house in Moshi.  
Photo provided by...

Frt. Zacharia Felician Shee  
1st Year Theology  
Kipalapala Seminary  
Sponsors: Gary  
& Lana  
Stachlowski



## HOW PLEASANT AND WONDERFUL IT IS - BROTHERHOOD!



In a daily basis, especially in the Seminary, it is a good thing to have mutual jokes as brothers living together. Of 174 Senior seminarians studying at Segerea Seminary from different dioceses in Tanzania, 19 are from Moshi Diocese. It is our normal custom as Moshi Seminarians at Segerea to have gatherings normally for sharing about the life in the seminary, various duties, studies and challenges among other things. It is actually something good for our Intellectual, human, pastoral, communal life and Spiritual growth.

In such gatherings, we maintain the good custom laid down by our former brothers from Moshi who studied at Segerea, that during these gatherings there should be soft drinks for cheering the talks. I think this is something also being practiced in different cultures when people come together for talks.

In Tanzania, we have a Swahili saying which goes "Mtoto hatumwi dukani" (A child is not to be sent for shopping), Meaning that when things are hot or exciting, nobody dares to quit or to miss. Our gatherings are so exciting, cheerful and inspiring to one another! They help us to gain new strength and zeal to keep journeying towards priesthood. We enjoy our unity and solidarity as brothers from the same Diocese!

Frt. Gasper Ruwaichi  
Second Year Theology  
Segerea Seminary  
Sponsors: Dan and Julie Szendrey



Frt. Arnold Furaha  
1st Year Theology  
Segerea Seminary  
Sponsors: Jim and  
Joan Peck



### GREETINGS

*It is my belief that you are fine,  
I thank God that all is well done,  
He grants health and joy to me,  
His love to our family is great,  
Hope the same is with you there,  
May He always stand on your side.*

*It is my sorrow to hear about it,  
Corona spreading throughout,  
Take care of yourselves will fit,  
Life will move for God is good,  
Let us pray that it get its end.*

*We are proceeding well with studies,  
The second semester is moving,  
Soon we celebrate the easter,  
And prepare the annual exams,  
And there the June holiday comes.*

*With love, I wish you best of luck,  
Stay blessed and successful,  
You are always in my prayer.*



Congratulations to our Moshi  
Priests:

- ◆ Fr. Dr. Faustine Furaha  
Duquesne University  
(December 2020)
- ◆ Fr. Andrew Asantemungu  
Walsh University
- ◆ Fr. Nicholas Mtey  
John Carroll University



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In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Kilimanjaro Mission of Hope & Outreach, P.O. Box 5125, Portland, Oregon 97208

## MY QUIET DAYS AND NIGHTS

The world right now is facing an invisible enemy. This enemy unlike many other enemies which threaten existence of human life is a bit different. This kind of enemy can not be terminated by either holding guns or bombs but rather through practicing certain habit and discipline as stated by the World Health Organization (W.H.O). This enemy has introduced to us a new life style, culture, behavior out of which most of us are not so much used to. To fight this invisible enemy the World Health Organization and other Scientific institutes have issued various measures such as practicing social distancing, the use of hand sanitizers, wearing face masks, taking balanced diet which may improve body immunity status and many others. It is fact beyond doubt that this enemy has affected most of the countries found in our world, and Tanzania is one of them. This enemy eats like the way the fire eats the bushes and at times it spreads like a thunder.

Dear friends, this enemy has made my days and nights to be quite unpleasant. Both my heart and soul are restless, desperate and uncertain about life. There are certain preventive measures which are helpful in minimizing the spread of this enemy but such measures have both positive and negative sides. For instance, the question of practicing social distancing and the use of face masks, self isolation and many others have made my life to be quiet and lonely, because I can not associate and relate more lively as I used to be. I am quiet, seeing people across countries no longer cherishing and embracing themselves through hugging, kissing and many other ways of relating and interacting just because of the presence of an invisible enemy.

I am quiet, asking myself who then can stop me from crying? After seeing the way this enemy has claimed the lives of our brothers and sisters, both young and the old, rich and the poor and our beloved ones. And often times not being able to hold a proper burial for them just because the enemy is at work when we come together. Is there hope left? As I am quiet, restless, desperate and my little heart can no longer bear the pain seeing on the television during the news day after day increasing number of cases and deaths of those affected by this invisible enemy. I am quiet and my eyes have been flooded with tears seeing the places of worship like the churches, mosques and many others have been shut down just because of this enemy. But still I am quiet, as I was in my last semester to graduate from my Philosophicum and Religious studies at Ntungamo Major Seminary when the Seminaries, Universities and Schools were called to stop just because the invisible enemy is at work. My quiet days and nights are really terrifying and horrific as I look all over the world the streets are deserted, empty and most of the countries have issued lockdowns whereby, men and women both young and old have been told to stay at home.

On the other hand, I find doctors, health workers, scientists, governments, companies, the rich and the poor working cooperatively and tirelessly to save lives of both men and women against this invisible enemy. I am quiet and in grief seeing many have lost their jobs so to say they are not sure and certain of their daily bread.

To some and at times many, there is no food found to eat because companies have shut down and economies have collapsed just because of the invisible enemy. It is a disaster, calamity, catastrophe, and the pandemic which the world has never experienced or imagined before. Now, the invisible enemy which the world is facing is nothing else other than the Covid 19, the corona virus disease of 2019. It is the corona virus disease – the invisible enemy which has made my days and nights to be quiet and helpless.

However, there is hope, there is a promising future awaits in the risen Lord, Jesus Christ. If we pray to the risen Lord to an end of this pandemic, taking necessary preventive measures against this pandemic and praying to God to enlighten our scientists so that they may come up with an appropriate solution which will call to an end of this pandemic. I appreciate the hard working spirit of the doctors, health workers and all those who have joined hands to save lives. May the Almighty Father bless them abundantly. I pray for the deceased souls of our brothers and sisters who have died due to this pandemic that God, the Merciful Father may grant them eternal happiness.



Frt. Fulgence Mosi Njau  
Third Year Philosophy  
Ntungamo Seminary  
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On March 19th, Bishop Ludovick Joseph Minde was installed as the Bishop of the Moshi Diocese. Thanks be to God!!