

## HAITIAN EARTHQUAKE RESPONSE CHRIST THE KING PARISH - BROCKTON

Update: In the midst of so much tragedy we can report that both Fr. Garcia and the Holy Union Sisters (who minister in Haiti) are all ok. We have had limited communication; still Fr. Garcia reports he and his family are ok, but - as we have heard in the news - the damage is truly extensive and wide-spread.

One's initial impulse might be to assemble food or clothing drives. However, we have been directed that what is needed most at this time is **financial support** (which will directly aid the already established professional agencies). Our collection will be this weekend, January 16-17<sup>th</sup>.

Listed below are more prayer opportunities:

† **Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm – Prayer Service**

- A prayer service at St. Angela's church (1545 Blue Hill Avenue, Mattapan.)

† **Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am – Daily Mass**

- Our parish is dedicating Friday's daily Mass to all the victims of the earthquake. The students from Trinity Catholic Academy – Upper Campus (many of which have relatives in Haiti) will join us to pray for their loved ones.

Also...

- *St. Angela's Church* (1545 Blue Hill Avenue, Mattapan) will offer exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 10:00 AM until 6:00 PM.
- *St. Matthew Church* (33 Stanton Street, Dorchester) will hold a Prayer Service at 6pm.

† **Weekend, January 16-17<sup>th</sup>, all Masses – Earthquake Relief collection**

- As directed by Cardinal Sean, our parish will take up a relief collection at all the Masses this weekend. Please be generous, as the need is urgent.

† **Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 12:30pm – Weekly Haitian Creole Mass**

- The Haitian community regularly worships on Sundays at 12:30pm. The intentions of the families and victims of the earthquake will now be central in their worship.

† **Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm – Adoration and Benediction**

- This evening of adoration was already ear-marked as our "Holy Hour for Life". We will also now include the intentions of the families and victims of the earthquake.

† **Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:45pm - Charismatic Prayer Group**

- Tuesday evening is the regularly scheduled gathering of the Haitian community's Charismatic group. This week's intentions will be for the families and victims of the earthquake. All are welcome.

Please also visit:

Archdiocese of Boston: [www.rcab.org](http://www.rcab.org)

Catholic Charities, Boston: [www.ccab.org](http://www.ccab.org)

Catholic Relief Services: [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org)