



# FRIENDS IN FAITH

## CATHOLIC MISSION'S WORK WITH COMMUNITIES



*Catholic Mission continues to work with the communities of Haiti as they begin the task of rebuilding*

**We take a moment to pray for the people of Haiti - those who perished and those who survived the horrific earthquake that hit the country's capital, Port-au-Prince.**

Reports from Haiti confirmed the rising death toll including the Archbishop, hundreds of seminarians, and more than one hundred thousand people feared dead or missing. This number keeps rising.

From the rubble, hope prevailed.

Stories of individuals being pulled from the rubble up to three weeks following the devastation.

Now, as Haiti begins to rebuild in tents for the moment, they gather for Mass where there once was a church.

Catholic Mission internationally made a statement: "We will stand alongside the Church of Haiti as it attempts to restore some sense of normality to shattered lives. We will be there for as long as the people of Haiti need us and for however many years it takes."

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# PINK IS IN

## FOR ONE HUNDRED GIRLS IN THE SOLOMONS

**Around 100 girls in Honiara, Solomon Islands, have a new school dormitory and bathroom facilities thanks to donations to support Catholic Mission's work with Communities.**

**Not only are they new but they are pink!**

The new facilities have been constructed at St Joseph's School, Honiara as part of the school's commitment to achieving gender equality, by providing quality educational facilities to girls at a standard already available to boys.

The project was a collaborative project, like many between Catholic Mission and other organisations. There is an increased number of girls at the school who also need accommodation.

"A special thanks to Catholic Mission to meet the shortfall within a very short space of time. We have known and believed that through God our

prayers have been answered," School Rector Father Flaviano Galvez Caintic said.

"We have now achieved what we have sought. That is, to have a sound and hygienic residential facility for young girls at St Joseph's School.

"The facilities are better than the normal standard here in the Solomon Islands. This will really boost the self-esteem of the young female students currently at the school and those attending in the future."

The current students of St Joseph's call their new shower and toilet block the 'pink' house due to its delightful colour that they love.



*The new 'pink house' toilet blocks offer a hygienic facility to the girls.*



*The students discover the new residential facility at St Josephs.*

