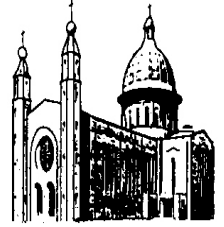


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“Praying with our sister parish in Turkwel”

The turmoil surrounding the Kenyan presidential and parliamentary elections and reports of drought and food insecurity in the Horn of Africa including Turkana, bring the people of our sister parish in Turkwel vividly to mind. Despite the concern there is good news: the Kalemunyang Maternity Unit which you provided has seen 62 mothers deliver their babies safely since January. The number of births, however, has decreased this year because many pastoralists have had to move to other areas - it is August but there are no rains yet and no grass for their animals.

Remember the Quads?



The quadruplets are now sixteen months old and are doing well. Sr. Consolata, who looks after the Maternity Unit, reports that Abishal who was 2.0kg at birth now weighs 5.9kg; Morgan has gone from 2.5kg to 6.8kg and Anthony from 2.3kg to 7.4kg. Lastly Shadrach who weighed 2.4kg at birth is now 7.1kg. As Sr. Consolata writes: “All in the Kalemunyang community appreciate the presence of the facility and are proud of it”. Meanwhile, the work on the perimeter security fence at the Maternity Unit and Clinic is progressing. The second and final phase of construction will begin very shortly.

What's in a Name?

Confused by the different place names? **Turkana**, where Turkwel is situated, is the largest of Kenya's 47 counties and is situated in the Northeast of the country. It is bordered by Uganda to the west; South Sudan and Ethiopia to the north and northeast; and Lake Turkana to the east. **Turkwel** is the Catholic parish where Fr. Oliver Noonan SMA from Cork ministered, and which is twinned with Ballineaspaig. **Kalemunyang**, in the south of this large parish, is the location of the clinic and maternity unit which serve the local people and also the pastoralists who travel from north to south and east to west, as they migrate in search of grazing for their animals.

It can be Thursday every day:

Every Thursday at Mass we pray for our fellow parishioners in Turkwel, while they pray for us; but we can pray for each other every day, using if we wish the prayer read at Mass:

Praying for our sister Parish in Turkwel,

Lord, inspire us to use wisely the resources of our plant and to share them justly with our neighbour.

Cherishing our fellow parishioners in Turkwel,

We pray that they may have the blessings of clean water and sustaining harvests and live in health, dignity and peace.

Faith in Action Group.