

Disasters to the Servite Properties

Servite Friars

St. Antony's Parish (Property of Yangon Dioceses) where we are stationed at the moment was not spared by Cyclone Nargis. The rectory's roof is blown out and the compound wall around the shrine is wiped out. Our Servite land is 15 kilometers away from Yangon. It is on the way to major seminary of Myanmar. It is also damaged by the Cyclone Nargis, and the three sides of the compound wall is fallen and broken into pieces. To reestablish our Servite presence need to spend a lot, because the price of the materials is very high and availability of materials are rare. We have to spend two or three times more than before. To protect the land and for the safety of us all, we need to rebuild the compound wall and the house immediately.



Servite Sisters



The Servite Sisters of Myanmar have faced a large amount of damages to their properties in various convents. St. Mary's home (Orphanage and formation house), of Servite sister which is the centre of all their pastoral activities and day to day life has been destroyed by the Cyclone Nargis.

On the night when the Cyclone Nargis struck, roofs were blown away and all the Children and the Sisters remained soaked in the rain. The food items like rice, oil, potatoes, onions and garlic in store were destroyed due to water coming inside the

house. The children and the Sisters have no shelter as almost all the 15 buildings were damaged by the Cyclone Nargis. And all the buildings at St. Mary's Campus now stand without roofs. Six Chicken houses holding more than 50 thousand chickens have been blown off and largely damaged. This project is the main source of income for St. Mary's Home over the last 10 years. All the big fruit trees like coconuts, mangoes, durians, pomellows, govas, jackfruits, beetle nuts etc are all on the ground lying low with their roots being uprooted and now it has become a barren land without trees. This is another big loss for Servite Sisters for their daily living. St. Mary's campus once majestically and gloriously stood that is now totally devastated and barren and pleading to you all for your compassion, kindness and generosity.