



Fr. Joshua Maondo, M. M.

The Gift of Vocation


Your prayers inspired two young men from Kenya to accept their calling to serve the Lord as missionary priests.

Your support will help other faithful men accept their calling to serve as Maryknoll priests and Brothers.

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— CALLED TO — Mission



God blessed us with the ordination of two Maryknoll priests eager to witness the compassion of Our Lord.

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Our Lady Queen of Apostles Chapel,
Maryknoll, NY



Fr. Charles Ogony, M. M.

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Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Two missionaries dedicated to witnessing God's love

Father Charles Ogony, M.M.

The seeds of faith were planted in me early on. When I was little, my grandfather donated a plot of land for a small chapel. Eventually, that's where my father served as catechist.

Then as a six year old boy, I witnessed a violent attack against my father. God was with me because at that moment I disavowed hatred and decided I had to work for peace.

During my university years, I met Father Lance Nadeau, M.M., our chaplain. His homilies were outstanding. He was able to bring together students from every background.

I remember thinking that Maryknoll must be special—and that God was calling me to the missionary priesthood.

What I look forward to most

Witnessing the same welcoming spirit that attracted me to Maryknoll, and serving others with the compassion of Our Lord.

Father Charles will care for the elderly in Bolivia.



Father Charles Ogony(Left) and Father Joshua Maondo(Right).

Father Joshua Maondo, M.M.

My Catholic faith came from my grandmother. When she married my grandfather, she converted the whole family!

After my First Communion, I became an altar boy. Grandmother couldn't have been prouder. She encouraged me to go to catechism class, and we would often talk about ways the Church's teachings could be practiced within our African culture. She was my first religion teacher.

Years later, I learned about Maryknoll and mission as a university student. Father Lance Nadeau, M.M., our chaplain, opened up the possibility of a whole new world—living my faith as a Maryknoll priest.

What I look forward to most

Giving people in need a reason to hope. I want to build communities of faith wherever God sends me.

Father Joshua will serve children in Bolivia.

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