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Holy Ground Shelter establishes Fr. Arthur Obin, OMI Scholarship Fund

Riviera Beach, FL, January 21, 2013 — Holy Ground Shelter for Homeless, Inc. is proud to announce the establishment of the Fr. Arthur Obin, OMI Scholarship Fund. This scholarship fund will be used to support the continuing education of homeless, pregnant and parenting teen girls with the ultimate goal of their obtaining the necessary education/skills to be financially independent and to be able to provide for their children.

This fund was established in memory of Fr. Arthur Obin, OMI, through a very generous gift from dear friends of his, Joanna and Francis Hogan, who wanted to honor Fr. Obin by continuing his legacy of caring for those most in need. Fr. Obin was instrumental in the founding of Holy Ground Shelter. He provided Holy Ground with a meeting place, office space, and most importantly spiritual guidance. Fr. Obin, in his life, as beloved pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Parish, and in his role as Pastoral Advisor of Holy Ground Shelter, exemplified the gospel mandate of bringing the Good News to those who are poor, to those oppressed, to those who are homeless, or without clothing and food. His life commitment was to lift them up and he consistently challenged those around him to do the same. Claudine Cotton, a long-time member of St. Francis of Assisi parish and a member of Holy Ground Shelter's Board of Directors will serve as administrator of the scholarship fund.

The mission of Holy Ground Shelter for Homeless, Inc. is to shelter and mentor homeless, pregnant and parenting teen girls and their children. Through a real-life independent living model, each client is provided an individual apartment, a team of female mentors to guide them and assistance in obtaining needed social services for their well-being. In return, clients are held to a behavioral contract which sets standards of expectation on a wide range of issues including proper childcare, budgeting, academic achievement, employment, etc.

For additional information, please contact Holy Ground Shelter at (561) 355-5040; holygroundshelter@msn.com or go to HolyGroundPBC.org. Contributions to the Fr. Arthur Obin, OMI Scholarship Fund should be mailed to 200 W. 20th Street, Riviera Beach, FL 33404.

Holy Ground is a faith-based organization serving Palm Beach County; our mission is to shelter and mentor homeless pregnant teens and homeless teen mothers and their infants