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# *Project El Salvador*

## *U P D A T E*

The Mission of Project El Salvador is to support the people of El Salvador in implementing their own vision of justice. We express our solidarity and deepen our relationship with El Salvador by creating awareness in the United States of the plight of the marginalized in Central America and by supporting grassroots community development through funding of projects in El Salvador.

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### **Honoring Fr. Dean Brackley, S.J.** *On the 10-year Anniversary of his death*

Fr. Dean Brackley, S.J. went to El Salvador to live and work in place of the Jesuits who had been murdered in 1989. He wound up spending the rest of his life there. Those who participated in Project El Salvador delegations to El Salvador over the years remember their visits with him at La Universidad Centroamericana (UCA) during which he recounted the story of the murder of the Jesuits and their housekeeper and her daughter. He also spoke to us of the current political, economic, social and cultural conditions of El Salvador. More than that, Fr. Brackley bore testament to the healing power of the poor for our own lives. In his conversations with delegates and in his books, he invited us to let the poor "break our hearts". For many those trips offered an immeasurably rich, transformative experience.

Fr. Brackley not only taught at the university in San Salvador, he worked in a parish about 50 miles outside of the city. He was dedicated to helping young people get an education that would not only prepare them to find work, but would transform them to work for justice in their own communities and the world. He was greatly concerned that his work securing scholarships for young people not end with his death. You can learn more about Fr. Brackley's life and witness here: <https://youtu.be/Pcx2zpABJ8w>

To commemorate Fr. Brackley's life and work, Project El Salvador established a scholarship fund in his name. October 2021 will be the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his death. We invite you to join us in supporting young people in their education, by contributing to our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary commemorative donation to the Fr. Dean Brackley, SJ Scholarship Fund. We will be sending the donations received to the Jesuits coordinating the fund by mid-November.

You can send your check to: Project El Salvador, P.O. Box 300105, Denver, CO 80203 Please put: Fr. Dean Brackley, SJ Scholarship Fund in the memo. Or donate on-line on our website: [www.projectsalsvador.org](http://www.projectsalsvador.org) or at [bit.ly/PayPalPS](https://bit.ly/PayPalPS)



*Fr. Brackley with scholarship students*







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## WAYS TO GET INVOLVED:

### **JOIN THE BOARD, 5 meetings/year via Zoom or conference call**

- \* Please contact Mary Alice Bramming, [bramming@earthlink.net](mailto:bramming@earthlink.net) if you are interested

### **DONATE:**

- \* Make a one-time donation to cover mailing costs of this newsletter.
- \* Make a one-time / monthly donation to Project El Salvador.
- \* Make a one-time / monthly donation to a specific project:
  - *Microlending, Radio Victoria, Center for Arts and Peace, Community Organizing, or the Fr. Dean Brackley, S.J. Scholarship Fund*
- \* Include Project El Salvador in your will.

**Checks payable to Project El Salvador can be mailed to Project El Salvador, PO Box 300105, Denver, CO 80203-0105.**  
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### **Fall Fundraising Appeal**

We deeply appreciate your financial support for our work. We have enclosed an envelope, or we invite you to donate (fee-free\*) via our website, [www.projectsalsalvador.org](http://www.projectsalsalvador.org)

We will not be doing a separate fundraising mailing this fall.

\*100% of on-line donations go to Project El Salvador through PayPal Giving Fund!

### *In Loving Memory of Susan Corrigan (cont. from p. 2)*

For years Susan and Jack offered the hospitality of their home to Project Salvador board members who had traveled from Alaska and Boston for the Annual meeting.

Susan was born on October 25, 1932 at home in the small farming community of Tiffany, Colorado in southwestern Colorado. Her Hispanic ancestors had lived for generations in northern New Mexico and southern Colorado. Her mother died when she was very young but her father insisted on raising her on the farm. After high school she traveled to Santa Fe for training as a radiology technician. Then with a girlfriend she traveled to California—then the mecca for so many young people from small places in the west. There she met Jack Corrigan and they were married. Eventually they moved to Denver which became their permanent home. Susan worked as a medical assistant for the same doctor in North Denver until she retired. She was a faithful volunteer at St. Dominic's, sharing her time and talents for countless organizations, ministries, and events.

Susan died July 11, 2021 surrounded by her husband, Jack, their 3 children, 9 grandchildren and a great grandchild. She will be missed by her countless extended family members and her many friends.

Project Salvador is eternally grateful for the years of generosity from this wonderful human being who made the world a better place for having lived.