



St. Anthony Children's
Village

Ndola, Zambia

This is Shekeina at 22 months, whose mother died in child birth. Her family did not have the means to raise a new born, so she came to St. Anthony's. She may be a slow developer, but she sure is a cutie.

When St. Anthony's was established in 2004 in response to the AIDS epidemic, St. Anthony's Administrator, Sister Philomena Schwegmann O.P., decided that the orphans should be fed and cared for like they would be in a Zambian home, so that when they grow up they will be able to survive in their own culture. Thus, the laundry is done by hand, and the meals are cooked over charcoal fires.



Update: Shekeina was still at St. Anthony's as of 2015.