

Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide Archbishop of Adelaide

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Dear Parish Priests and Secretaries,

Re: Caritas Appeal: Floods and Devastation in Kenya

Grace and peace, I hope this note finds you well.

As we reflect on the recent devastating widespread floods that have swept through Kenya, causing loss of life, destruction of homes, crops, livestock, and infrastructure, our thoughts are with the people affected. Of our seven Missionary Priests from Africa, six come from Kenya and we express our prayers and solidarity with them as this tragedy affects their homeland.

The urgency of the situation calls for a compassionate response as much will be needed in recovery efforts. Caritas Australia has launched a targeted Appeal for Kenya titled *'Help Fight Hunger in Kenya'* and the Australian Caritas Office has given assurances that monies collected under this Appeal will support the people of Kenya at this time.

I encourage all Parishes if at all possible and if it fits into your Parish timetable, to rally together this coming weekend for a special collection earmarked for Caritas and the "Help Fight Hunger in Kenya" Appeal initiative, banking into the Diocesan Presbytery Account. Individuals can also contribute directly via the Caritas website at https://www.caritas.org.au/global-issues/help-fight-hunger-in-kenya/

Let us continue in our prayers of solidarity for the people of Kenya and respond generously.

With renewed thanks,

In Domino,

+Patrick O'Regan

Archbishop of Adelaide