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APPEAL

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Happy Easter Season to you all.

This year we celebrated Easter with heavy hearts as we watched devastating floods destroying homes, roads and human life. Many people have died, many are still missing, and thousands have been displaced. Communities have been shaken by the devastation and are expressing a sense of hopelessness.

At the Chancery we also had no water for two days; our telephone lines are still down, and communication is a great challenge. However, ours is nothing compared to what other people have gone through. Many homes collapsed and people trapped inside suffered severe injuries or death.

The damage is enormous; water infrastructure is so badly damaged that experts say it may be months before running water supplies can be restored in some areas. The road to recovery is going to be very difficult; and poor, ageing infrastructure is a contributing factor to the extent of the damage.

As Church we have to be in solidarity with the flood victims. For many of us the best way to help is to make donations to church organisations such as CARITAS. This unusual situation is calling for people of goodwill to open their hearts and be generous towards those who are in need of our help.

I am therefore appealing to all Catholics in the Archdiocese of Durban to assist either financially or in kind. I appeal especially to Catholic businesspeople, religious communities, catholic schools and Sodalities to make a difference in the lives of those who lost their loved ones, those who are displaced.

For those who wish to send their donations to Caritas Durban, the details are as follows:

Account Name	AOD CARITAS
Account Number	62849932068
Type	Enterprise Business Account
Reference	KZN Floods

For those who have died may their souls be received into the heavenly home.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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+ Siegfried Mandla Jwara, CMM
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