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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As Catholics we are called to live our faith not only through prayers and devotions, but also by working to build peaceful and just societies. On the weekend of March 22-23, 2025, we here in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis are being given the opportunity to do just that, through the annual collection supporting the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa.

The people of Africa are joyous and faith-filled, but as the Church in Africa grows, the pastoral needs of the people also increase. Clergy formation, communication programs to bring the Gospel to remote territories, youth ministries that engage the next generation of disciples; these and all the Church's needs are wide-ranging.

The Solidarity Fund is an opportunity for parishes to stand with the people of Africa. Our contributions help them face these challenges and build lasting foundations of missionary discipleship.

Thank you for your generosity in supporting this collection, helping to fulfill the Church's mission as a peacemaker and bearer of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Charles C. Thompson

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