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Dear Communications Director/Editor,

The Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa (SFCA) was established to address the many needs of the Catholic population on the African continent, and we need your help to promote it. Africa faces many challenges, such as a growing population, lack of infrastructure, continuous migration, and severe poverty. By promoting this collection in your diocese, you help foster the faith in Africa.

For example, as refugees from Eritrea flee to Ethiopia, the pastoral care of this vulnerable population becomes a challenge. As these refugees grapple with the reality of finding a new place to call home, chaplains work to help them deepen their relationship with Christ and find peace and hope in him. Your diocese's support of the SFCA helps provide retreats, workshops, bible studies, and liturgies, giving refugees the space and support they need to pray and find their spiritual home.

Please use your publication(s), website, social media channels, or any other outlets to talk about these Eritrean refugees and all those who benefit from this collection. Free resources, including an editable sample letter from your bishop, web ads, and a social media tool kit, are available online for download at www.usccb.org/africa/collection.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact me at 202-541-3365 or at bkennedy@usccb.org. Thank you for your support of the SFCA.

Gratefully in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bevin Kennedy".

Bevin Kennedy
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