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My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

You are doubtlessly aware of the tragic loss of life in Texas, which recently experienced an unprecedented flash flood that took the lives of over 119 people. I ask that you pray earnestly for the families that have lost their loved ones, and for the communities that are in mourning to be consoled by Christ, our Merciful Lord, who lived out his ministry for each of his children.

In addition to your prayers, I ask that you carefully consider donating to Catholic Charities USA's fund to alleviate the burdens of Texas families whose lives have been altered by these storms. To contribute, visit **www.catholiccharitiesusa.org**.

As followers of Jesus, we understand that true love hastens us to uplift our brothers and sisters who are suffering or alone during times such as these.

I also ask that each of you continue to promote local prayer groups for those experiencing grief and loss in your parish, both for national and community losses.

Thank you for considering this important funding initiative.

In Christ's love,

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