

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters rage and foam
Psalm 46:1-4



Bishop Boyea has received a request for a special collection from two priests currently serving the Diocese of Lansing.

Fr. Kusi Cobona, The Catholic Community of Saints James, Cornelius and Cyprian, and Fr. Leronio Vodivodi, Holy Family, Grand Blanc, who hail from Fiji, have requested this special collection on behalf of their devastated families and for the tens of thousands of Fijians who have encountered 3 back-to-back cyclones recently. *“The damages are like the flooding and destruction of Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans. Many homes were blown away by the first cyclone, crops were damaged. The next two brought in so much rain that caused so many floods in places that had never been flooded before.”*

Specifically, they are looking for donations to help the parish of St. Martin de Porres, Lakeba Island, Fiji. *“Our Parish is still recovering as we have completely lost our Parish hall, with damaged to the Church, Presbytery, dining hall and the old Sr’s convent, resiliently we are managing with limited resources financially and physically as we are able to improvise with what we have at hand. I hope and pray you will be able to respond with love to the cries of our people in Fiji.” Peni Vula Vanua*

Donations should be made out to your parish with Fiji Collection in the memo line.

