Caritas Congo Asbl in Kinshasa, DR Congo : We must not be indifferent to the plight of Ituri

The principal celebrant priest and other celebrant priests in the Eucharist

Kinshasa, April 30, 2018 (caritasdev.cd): This Sunday, April 29, 2018, Caritas Solidarity Fund of Congo Asbl organized its second Sunday of solidarity in collaboration with the Ituri community of Kinshasa, in R & D. Congo. The said Sunday day in connection with the situation prevailing in Ituri, in the north of the country, was marked by

a Eucharist whose offerings were dedicated to the displaced people of Ituri. The celebrant priest, the 1st Deputy Executive Secretary of Caritas Congo Asbl, spoke these words to the audience during his homily: "We can not claim to be Christians, to be in communion with God or to remain in Jesus and to remain insensitive to the suffering from Ituri, "reports caritasdev.cd.

The 1st Deputy Executive Secretary of Caritas Congo Asbl, Fr. Eric ABEDILEMBE, focused his homily of the day on the Gospel of John 15: 1-8. The Mass of this Sunday of solidarity with the vulnerable, attended by the Caritas Congo Asbl, was enhanced by the presence of several Ituri nationals living in the capital, their deputies and the Minister of State Azarias RUBERWA. The Boboto Choir (Apostolate of the Sick) of Saint Alphonsus de Matete Parish helped the audience to pray with their well-chosen and executed songs. In his homily, Fr. Eric ABEDILEMBE invited everyone to bear fruit, to give fruit, the mark of the disciple and as the glory of the Father.

It's no longer a time for fine words, not war in Ituri

The 1st Deputy Executive Secretary of Caritas Congo Asbl, who celebrated this Mass surrounded by three priests from Ituri, said the displaced in this part of the country, that the time is no longer fine words. The priest also indicated on this subject that "our solidarity must be expressed on two levels", specifying that, not optional, consisting of concrete acts of help and that of working to say no to the war in Ituri. Abbe Eric ABEDILEMBE said that he made a trip to Ituri from March 8th to 14th and that he realized the situation of the displaced people and the region.

Bobello Choir of St. Alphonsus (Matete) during the Eucharist

Contributions (in cash) to help the Caritas Congo Solidarity Fund Fund achieve its goal
At the beginning of the Eucharist, when the priest and the concelebrants had not yet shaken in procession, Mr. Joseph KIALA, Head of the Fund Solidarity Fund, said his joy to celebrate this Sunday of solidarity surrounded by members of the Ituri community. He pointed out that it was represented by those who reside in Kinshasa. Before the offerings that were one of the highlights of the Eucharist to collect funds for the vulnerable, by addressing the assistance, miss Linda NAUA affirmed that the contributions (in money) of the day will help the Caritas Congo

Solidarity Fund to achieve its objective, which refers to the assistance to the many vulnerable people who are in the country.

Minister of State Ruberwa in attendance

Thanks of Mr. Félix KABUIZI to the hierarchy of Caritas Congo Asbl and the Head of the Solidarity Fund

Before Mr. Joseph KIALA spoke at the end of the Mass to thank all those who contributed to the success of the activity of the day, Mr. Felix KABUIZI Baluku, the President of the Iturian Community of Kinshasa, took the floor . He thanked the hierarchy of Caritas Congo Asbl and the Head of its Solidarity Fund for the organization of this Eucharist. He recalled the tragedy experienced by Ituri in 1999 and 2003. On the current situation in Ituri, he referred to the report of the United Nations Joint Human Rights Office which reported on less than 263 people killed, 120 localities or villages looted and destroyed, 56 incidents in at least 7 communities in the territory of Djugu. Mr. Félix KABUIZI Baluku commended the efforts undertaken by the Government (Congolese), the army and the police to restore peace and security in the Djugu territory. He ended his word by declaring that the operation (fundraising during Mass of Sunday solidarity) will continue through the bank account of Caritas Congo / Solidarity Fund.

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