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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Once again, I am delighted to have the opportunity to accompany the Caritas Annual Report with a letter, and to acknowledge and give thanks for the work of Caritas during this time when its services have been in greater demand than ever.

As I read the report I was struck by the extraordinary level and kind of support that Caritas has been able to offer to so many in the Diocese during this time and in so many different settings: our schools, our university chaplaincy, our parishes and homes, not to mention Carmel Care and St Wilfrid's. All these services and more, have been made possible by the generosity and professionalism of the team and your support.

Looking to the future there is no question of Caritas "resting on its laurels". The Trustees have recently established a Fundraising Advisory Board which Caritas welcome. Already, working with the new group, Caritas has managed to secure grants to help finance the present work and future developments.

However, your financial support for the work is the key to its success both in the present and the future. I know that Covid-19 has hit many of you hard financially, but I simply ask that you be as generous as you can – every little helps!

Yours sincerely in Christ the Redeemer

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