



Roman Catholic Diocese of Peterborough

August 19, 2020

Dear Reverend Monsignor and Reverend Fathers,

We watched in horror on Tuesday, August 4, 2020, as the port of Beirut in Lebanon exploded into flames leaving a trail of death, injury, and devastation. In the days since then, concerted efforts have taken place to shape a response and outreach which will ease the suffering of the people in Lebanon and restore its vital services.

The CCODP/Caritas Canada has launched an appeal for the crisis in Lebanon following the recent explosion in Beirut. Through their membership with the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, donations to CCODP/Caritas Canada are eligible to be matched by the Canadian government. More detailed information will follow from the Office of Temporal Affairs.

Please encourage your parishioners to respond as they are able to this appeal which will take place August 29/30, 2020. Let us keep the people of Beirut in our prayers and may the generosity of our support assist them as they begin to take steps toward recovery.

Yours in Christ,

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